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## Compliance Statement

As part of our ongoing commitment to transparency and adherence to regulatory standards, we at Cheka Sana Foundation have implemented several measures to ensure compliance with the relevant charity and governance laws.

We have published our “[Supporter’s Charter](#)” online, which outlines the high standards our fundraising team strives to achieve. This charter is a testament to our dedication to building trust and being transparent in all our communications, particularly in our fundraising efforts.

In the financial year 2023/24, we are proud to report that we received no complaints from the [Fundraising Regulator](#) nor from the [Information Commissioners Office \(ICO\)](#). This achievement underscores our commitment to meeting fundraising quality standards and ensuring the best experience for our donors and their personal data.

Furthermore, in line with our core value of transparency, we created a “[Donation & Sponsorship Acceptance Policy](#).” This policy is a critical step in safeguarding our foundation’s integrity. It ensures that our partnerships and external contributions do not bring our name into disrepute, nor unduly or negatively influence our approach and the impact we aim to achieve in Tanzania and Uganda.

These efforts reflect our dedication to maintaining the highest standards of regulatory compliance, ensuring that we continue to operate not only as a compliant entity but also as a responsible and trustworthy organization in the eyes of our supporters and the communities we serve.

# A Message from Dr. Simon Obendorf, Chairperson

## Looking Back at Our Progress: 2023/24 and Beyond

The past year has been a period of recovery, adaptation, and growth for the Cheka Sana Foundation. As the global community continues to navigate the long-lasting effects of recent crises, we have witnessed profound impacts on the vulnerable children and families we serve. These challenges have also shaped our operations and fundraising efforts, compelling us to find innovative ways to deliver on our mission.

Amid these complexities, the unwavering support from our community has been a source of hope and strength. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our supporters—corporate partners, Trusts, Foundations, and individual donors—whose combined generosity total £19,004. These contributions have been critical to sustaining and expanding our operations during this pivotal time.

## 2023/24: A Year of Challenges and Resilience

In the fiscal year 2023/24, we faced a decline in corporate grant contributions, reflecting a challenging economic landscape. However, our strategic focus on financial management and growing corporate income remains steadfast. These efforts are vital to expanding our fundraising efforts across the UK and increasing our impact. The tireless work of our

volunteer team and trustees has been instrumental in navigating this financial reality.

In Tanzania, our team exemplified resilience and dedication. Their efforts culminated in Cheka Sana Tanzania receiving the prestigious U.S. Ambassador's Award for Exceptional HIV/AIDS Relief Efforts. This project impacted over 200 lives in Mwanza, with key achievements including:

- Enabling 203 orphans and vulnerable children to access HIV services.
- Integrating 763 children who tested positive into care programs.
- Engaging 70 community members in vital dialogues.
- Providing insurance coverage to 120 families affected by HIV.

Additionally, we reunited 172 street-connected children with their families and facilitated schooling for 593 siblings, equipping them with essential scholastic materials. We also conducted 52 community awareness sessions, emphasizing parenting, child rights, and safeguarding.

In Uganda, the Young Mothers Project continues to take shape, marking an exciting step toward completing phase one. As we prepare to launch our ambitious five-year strategy, our commitment to an inclusive approach remains strong. This strategy will ensure we address the immediate needs of

children while aligning with broader global development goals.

### Looking Ahead

Despite the enormity of the challenges we face, we are inspired by the profound impact of our work. Our expertise and determination continue to transform lives, creating opportunities for thousands of children and their families.

On behalf of the trustees and the entire Cheka Sana Foundation team, I express our deepest

gratitude to our supporters. Your loyalty and generosity are the foundation of our work, empowering us to make a lasting difference.

Together, we are creating a future where every child has the opportunity to thrive.

With sincere thanks,

**Dr. Simon Obendorf**

Chairperson, Cheka Sana Foundation

## About Cheka Sana Foundation

Cheka Sana Foundation is a UK-based charity dedicated to advocating for the rights of street children and championing gender equality for girls in East Africa. In the UK, we focus on raising awareness and securing vital funds to support transformative projects delivered by our partner organizations. We take great pride in sharing the positive impact of our work, highlighting the stories of change and hope we bring to children, young people, and families.

### Our Approach to Creating Change

At the heart of our mission is providing immediate, essential care to some of the world's most vulnerable children. This includes emergency medical treatment, education, nourishment, and shelter. Yet, our vision extends far beyond crisis response. We are committed to driving long-term,

sustainable change through socio-economic empowerment initiatives such as employment opportunities and entrepreneurial projects. By focusing on these areas, we aim to uplift and transform the lives of street children across East Africa, fostering a brighter future where they can thrive and contribute positively to their communities.

## Our Expertise

Cheka Sana Foundation is one of the fastest-growing international children's charities working in East Africa. We collaborate with a network of inspiring local organizations, underscoring the importance of local partnerships in achieving meaningful and lasting impact. Our expertise spans three critical areas: education, economic empowerment, and child protection.

- **Integrated Interventions:** Our programs address interconnected challenges by ensuring children's safety, providing access to education, and creating secure environments where learning and growth can flourish.
- **Filling the Gaps in Aid:** We focus on bridging the disconnect between available aid and on-the-ground needs, stepping in where few others can. This approach allows us to support children in some of the most challenging circumstances.
- **Focus on the Marginalized:** Our work prioritizes children from the most marginalized groups, ensuring that those at the greatest risk of being overlooked receive the support they deserve.
- **Embracing Crisis Situations:** Unlike many, we approach crises head-on. Whether during conflict, natural disasters, or other emergencies, we aim to provide a beacon of hope, delivering critical assistance and interventions where they are most needed.

Through these concerted efforts, Cheka Sana Foundation is committed to making a lasting difference in the lives of children across East Africa. Together with our supporters and partners, we strive to build a brighter, more equitable future for every child.

## Cheka Sana Foundation's Objectives and Aims

Established in 2007 in Mwanza, Tanzania, Cheka Sana Foundation expanded its reach by registering as a charity in England & Wales (No. 1189823) in June 2020, becoming a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The governance of Cheka Sana UK is firmly rooted in our Institutions, with the charity trustees serving as the exclusive voting members.

### Our Objectives

The main objective of Cheka Sana UK is to raise funds to provide relief to children and young people in Uganda and Tanzania, who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress and who are living on the streets for public benefit.



- a) *The advancement of education of the pupils at local schools in Mwanza, Tanzania and Kampala, Uganda by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for education at the relevant schools.*
- b) *The development of the capacity and skills of the young people and women of the socially and economically disadvantaged communities of Tanzania and Uganda in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society.*
- c) *The advancement of the physical and mental health of victims of child abuse, young people and women in Tanzania and Uganda, by the provision of counselling and support.*
- d) *The relief of poverty through unemployment for the benefit of young people in Tanzania and Uganda in such ways as the trustees may see fit, including assistance to find employment.*
- e) *The promotion of social inclusion for the public benefit in Tanzania and Uganda by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded to help them overcome the disadvantage arising from their social exclusion and assisting them to integrate into society; for the purposes of this clause 3*
- f) *"Socially excluded" means being excluded from society, or parts of society, as a result of one or more of the following factors: unemployment; financial hardship; youth or old age; ill health (physical or mental); substance abuse or dependency including on alcohol or drugs; discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, disability, ethnic origin, religion, belief, creed, sexual orientation or gender re-assignment; poor educational or skills attainment; relationship and family breakdown; poor housing (that is housing that does not meet basic habitable*
- g) *The advancement of health and well-being by promoting community participation in healthy recreational activities in Tanzania and Uganda, by the provision of facilities for the playing of football; and*
- h) *To further such other purposes which may be charitable according to the law of England and Wales as the trustees see fit from time to time.*

## **Our Aim**

Our three-year strategic plan is designed to realize our vision through a focused approach in three interconnected and essential areas:

1. **Addressing Immediate Needs:** Our primary aim is to meet the urgent needs of children living on the streets, providing them with immediate support and care.
2. **Transforming Local Perceptions:** We are dedicated to changing local attitudes and perceptions towards street children, fostering a more inclusive and understanding community environment.
3. **Government Accountability:** A key part of our strategy is to hold governments accountable, ensuring they take responsibility for the welfare and rights of these vulnerable children.

Through this strategic framework, our goal is to drive and support sustainable changes in the lives of individual children and youth, as well as in the communities they belong to. We also strive to influence wider policy and practice to create a more favourable environment for all children living alone on the streets and their families.

## Public Benefit

In determining the scope and nature of our activities, the Trustees have thoroughly reviewed and aligned with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. This report is compiled with the public in mind, providing a comprehensive overview of the key activities undertaken during the year. These activities are reflective of our commitment to fulfilling the charity's aims. Additionally, the report includes a detailed assessment of our achievements in relation to the objectives set forth by the Trustees. This approach ensures that our efforts not only adhere to our mission but also contribute significantly to the public good, in line with the Charity Commission's standards.

## Principal Activities

In our pursuit of long-term change, Cheka Sana Foundation operates across three strategic levels, recognizing that a balanced approach is essential for creating, enabling, and sustaining impactful change:

1. **Early Interventions:** Our foremost goal is to intervene early in the lives of vulnerable children living on the streets, aiming to provide support before they encounter serious harm. This proactive approach focuses on

prevention and immediate care to mitigate risks and dangers these children face daily.

2. **Changing Community Perceptions:** A significant part of our work involves altering the way local communities perceive street children. We strive to make these children visible and understood within their communities, enlightening people about the circumstances that lead to children

living on the streets and the kind of support they require. This understanding is crucial for fostering a supportive and protective environment for these children.

3. **Influencing Policies through Research and Relationships:** We leverage our research, expertise, and strong connections with key figures and government departments to impact policymaking. By influencing policymakers and garnering government support, we aim to bring

about systemic changes that benefit street children.

By engaging in activities across these three levels, we are committed to ensuring positive and sustainable change. Our efforts are not only for children currently surviving on the streets but also for those at home who face neglect, violence, and/or abuse, and for whom the streets may seem like the only option for survival. Our multifaceted approach is designed to address both immediate needs and long-term solutions, creating a safer, more supportive environment for all vulnerable children.

## Impact and Achievements 2022/23

**Strategic Goal 1: We will make a step change in the number of children we can reach, delivering services that significantly improve their life outcomes. (This strategic goal is structured around several key initiatives and achievements):**

### Expanding Reach and Improving Life Outcomes

Cheka Sana Foundation remains steadfast in its mission to transform the lives of vulnerable children, youth, and families in Tanzania. By addressing their immediate needs and laying the groundwork for sustainable change, the organization has profoundly impacted street-connected children and marginalized communities. The following key projects highlight the breadth and depth of this strategic goal:

#### 1. HIV AIDS and Mental Health Project

Funded by the U.S. Embassy and PEPFAR, the HIV AIDS and Mental Health project continues to be an award winning and flagship initiative of Cheka Sana Foundation.

By targeting street-connected children and youth, this project has bridged critical healthcare gaps. It provided **203 vulnerable children and adolescents** with essential HIV

services and successfully integrated **763 individuals who tested positive** into ongoing care and treatment programs.

To combat the stigma surrounding HIV, the project conducted **70 community dialogues**, educating stakeholders on prevention, treatment, and the need for an inclusive approach to healthcare. The inclusion of **Insurance Cover (ICHF) for 120 families**

ensured financial constraints did not obstruct access to life-saving care.

Beyond healthcare, the project has strengthened community resilience by empowering individuals with the knowledge and tools to thrive. This initiative is a testament to the Foundation's commitment to addressing both the immediate and systemic challenges faced by vulnerable populations.

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## 2. Construction Project: Cheka Sana Community Hub

The establishment of the **Cheka Sana Community Hub** signifies a transformative step in expanding the Foundation's ability to serve vulnerable populations. Strategically located in Mwanza, this facility will become a central hub for education, healthcare, and economic empowerment initiatives.

Key features of the Community Hub include:

- **Vocational Training and Sports Facilities:** Empowering youth with practical skills and nurturing teamwork and discipline through sports and technical.
- **Healthcare and Psychosocial Support:** Providing essential health services and emotional care in a safe, nurturing environment.
- **Collaborative Partnerships:** Its proximity to government offices enhances collaboration with local authorities to ensure systemic change and holistic service delivery.

With the support of **Article 28**, a humanitarian organization based in London, Cheka Sana is conducting a visibility study for this project. The Hub aims to serve not only Mwanza but also surrounding communities, amplifying the Foundation's impact on a regional scale.

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## 3. Street Born Project

The **Street Born Project** addresses the unique needs of adolescent mothers (aged 15-21) living on the streets. This project identified and supported **34 young mothers**,

offering them comprehensive interventions tailored to their circumstances.

**Key achievements include:**

- **Life Skills and Vocational Training:**

34 young street mothers completed **120 life skills sessions**, including vocational programs like tailoring, enabling them to achieve economic independence.

- **Self-Defense Training:** Weekly classes empowered 30 young street mothers to protect themselves from abuse, fostering confidence and safety.

- **Healthcare Access:** 34 young street mothers were linked to local facilities

for prenatal, antenatal, and general care, alongside training on sexual and reproductive health to make informed decisions for themselves and their children.

Success stories, such as **Jennifer's journey**, demonstrate the transformative power of the Street Born Project. Jennifer's path from the streets to becoming a skilled tailor and confident mother exemplifies the profound impact of Cheka Sana's interventions. This project not only uplifts individual lives but also strengthens entire communities by addressing the root causes of vulnerability.

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#### 4. VSLA and Child Rights Clubs in Schools

##### **Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLA):**

Cheka Sana's VSLA initiative has been instrumental in fostering economic empowerment among marginalized families. By forming **44 savings groups** with over **1,000 active members**, the program has generated a combined capital of **200 million TZS**.

##### **Highlights include:**

- **Household Income Generation:** Members shared **145.5 million TZS** in dividends, directly improving living conditions and ensuring children's well-being.
- **Integration with Child Rights Advocacy:** By connecting financial literacy programs with child rights awareness through **Child Rights Clubs**, the initiative addresses both economic and social vulnerabilities, preventing children from entering street life.

#### **Conclusion**

Through these impactful projects, Cheka Sana Foundation has significantly expanded its reach, improving life outcomes for thousands of vulnerable children, youth, and families. By addressing health disparities, fostering economic empowerment, and championing advocacy through sports and education, the organization continues to build a brighter, more equitable future for marginalized communities in Tanzania.

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**Strategy Goal 2 : We are dedicated to changing local attitudes and perceptions towards street children, fostering a more inclusive and understanding community environment.**

### **Fostering Inclusion and Changing Perceptions**

Cheka Sana Foundation remains steadfast in its mission to reshape community attitudes toward street-connected children and foster an environment of inclusion and support. By engaging local leaders, families, and communities through targeted campaigns and impactful initiatives, the Foundation is building a collective sense of responsibility and understanding for marginalized youth.

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#### **1. Community Awareness Campaigns**

Cheka Sana Foundation has actively worked to combat the stigmatization of street-connected children by organizing **52 community sessions on positive parenting and child safeguarding**. These sessions were strategically designed to engage local leaders, families, and influential community members to address harmful stereotypes and foster a more inclusive mindset.

Key messages in these sessions included:

- The importance of reintegrating street-connected children into family and community structures.

- Strategies for positive parenting and conflict resolution.
- Understanding child rights and the role of the community in protecting vulnerable youth.

These campaigns have created a ripple effect of awareness, inspiring local leaders and families to become advocates for change. By encouraging collective responsibility, Cheka Sana is not only fostering inclusion but also strengthening the community's ability to safeguard its most vulnerable members.

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#### **2. Child Rights Advocacy**

Empowering children and their families through education and advocacy is at the heart of Cheka Sana's mission. The **Child Rights Club** initiative has equipped children with an understanding of their fundamental rights while engaging parents and teachers in critical discussions about **positive discipline** and **parenting skills**.

Key highlights include:

- Formation of **13 parenting groups**, each linked to the Child Rights Clubs, creating spaces for parents to learn about their children's rights and responsibilities.
- Workshops that focused on **child protection**, reducing the risk of abuse, and promoting safe family environments.
- Strengthened collaboration between schools, parents, and community leaders to ensure child-friendly spaces in schools and neighborhoods.

Through this dual focus on children and their caregivers, the Child Rights Clubs have become a powerful tool for creating informed, inclusive communities where every child's potential is nurtured.

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### 3. TSC Sports Academy Impact

Sports continue to be a vital tool for advocacy and inclusion at Cheka Sana Foundation. The **Tanzania Street Children (TSC) Sports Academy** has been instrumental in transforming perceptions of street-connected children by showcasing their resilience, talent, and potential on a global stage.

#### Key achievements include:

- **Participation in the Street Child World Cup:** Cheka Sana's consistent participation in this global event has provided a platform to challenge negative stereotypes about street-connected children. The event highlights their abilities and their determination to overcome adversity, encouraging communities to see their value.
- **Local and National Recognition:** Players from the Academy have been invited to national forums, including meetings with the Tanzanian President, the Prime Minister, and Members of Parliament. These

opportunities have amplified the advocacy for child rights and reinforced the importance of inclusive policies.

- **Community Engagement through Sports:** By integrating sports into advocacy campaigns, the TSC Sports Academy has inspired communities to use football as a unifying activity that promotes teamwork, resilience, and inclusion.

The TSC Sports Academy goes beyond the pitch, acting as a bridge between marginalized youth and their communities. It fosters positive relationships, provides role models, and amplifies the voices of street-connected children in meaningful ways.

## Conclusion

Cheka Sana Foundation's work under Strategic Goal 2 demonstrates its commitment to breaking down barriers and fostering inclusion for street-connected children. By addressing stigma through community awareness, promoting advocacy through the Child Rights Clubs, and leveraging the transformative power of sports, the Foundation is creating a culture of acceptance, understanding, and shared responsibility. These initiatives not only reshape perceptions but also empower children to reclaim their place in society, inspiring hope for a brighter future.

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## Strategy Goal 3: Building Political Will for Long-Term Change and Support of Street-Connected Children in Tanzania

Cheka Sana Foundation understands that systemic change requires strong political engagement at local, national, and international levels. By advocating for policies and practices that prioritize the needs of street-connected children, the Foundation continues to influence decision-makers and build momentum for meaningful change.

### 1. Local Advocacy

At the local level, Cheka Sana Foundation has harnessed the unifying power of sports, particularly football, as a tool for advocacy. Collaborations with **Ilemela Municipal** and **Mwanza City Councils** have focused on securing government resources and long-term support for street-connected children.

These partnerships have led to:

- **Increased awareness among local leaders** about the specific challenges faced by street-connected children.
- **Commitments to invest in child-focused initiatives**, including education, healthcare, and sports programs that promote inclusion and empowerment.
- **Integration of child safeguarding into local government strategies**, ensuring that vulnerable children are prioritized in community development plans.

By aligning its advocacy efforts with local government priorities, Cheka Sana has successfully created a framework for sustainable support at the grassroots level.

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### 2. National Engagement



Cheka Sana's national advocacy efforts aim to establish comprehensive guidelines and policies that address the needs of street-connected children across Tanzania.

Key achievements include:

- **Lobbying for National Guidelines:** Cheka Sana has actively engaged with ministries such as the **Ministry of Gender, Children, and Community Development**, pushing for the adoption of national frameworks that prioritize the protection and rights of street-connected children.
- **Child Protection Advocacy:** The Foundation has worked closely with

policymakers to integrate street-connected children into broader child protection and development agendas, ensuring their voices are heard at the highest levels.

- **Partnerships with the Tanzanian Parliament:** By engaging legislators, Cheka Sana has influenced discussions on resource allocation, child safeguarding, and social welfare programs aimed at supporting vulnerable youth.

These efforts are laying the groundwork for systemic changes that will ensure no child is left behind, regardless of their circumstances.

## Contributions to Priority SDGs (2023/24)

the contributions of Cheka Sana Foundation's projects to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) based on the provided impact report:

### Street Born Project:

- **SDG 4 - Quality Education:** Out of the 2,023 identified young mothers and at-risk youth, 34 young mothers actively participated in education initiatives. These programs provided a holistic approach that combined comprehensive healthcare support and vocational training, enabling the participants to rebuild their lives.

As a result of these efforts, many young mothers successfully re-enrolled in school or established their own businesses. This dual outcome not only enhanced their educational attainment but also contributed significantly to their economic empowerment, fostering independence and breaking the cycle of poverty.

- **SDG 8 - Decent Work and Economic Growth:** Cheka Sana Foundation actively contributed to SDG 8 by providing vocational training in key areas such as tailoring, crafts,

and entrepreneurship. These programs were designed to equip participants with marketable skills and foster self-reliance.

A total of 30 young mothers successfully completed vocational training, which directly led to their economic empowerment. Many of these mothers have since started small businesses or found sustainable employment, enabling them to support their families and contribute to their communities' economic growth.

- **SDG 1 - No Poverty:** Cheka Sana Foundation, significantly advanced SDG 1 by empowering 80 young mothers through the Village Savings and Loans (VSLs) program. This initiative provided participants with essential financial literacy training, equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed to manage their finances effectively.

Through access to small loans and savings opportunities, these young mothers were able to start or expand small businesses, increase their household income, and improve their financial stability. By creating pathways to economic independence, this program directly contributed to reducing poverty and breaking the cycle of economic vulnerability for these mothers and their families.

#### **The US Ambassador's Fund for HIV/AIDS Relief (AFHR) and Mental Health Project:**

- **SDG 1 – No Poverty:** The AFHR Project directly contributes to SDG 1 by offering comprehensive support and opportunities to help vulnerable individuals escape poverty. By providing access to education, vocational training, financial empowerment initiatives, and healthcare services, we empower street-connected children, young mothers, and individuals affected by HIV/AIDS to improve their livelihoods and achieve economic independence.
- **SDG 3 - Good Health And Well-Being:** The AFHR Project addresses SDG 3 by prioritizing the health and well-being of individuals affected by HIV/AIDS. Through awareness campaigns, testing, treatment, counselling, and ongoing support, we ensure access to quality healthcare services, promote preventive strategies, and enhance the overall physical and mental well-being of the communities we serve.
- **SDG 10 – Reduced Inequalities:** By targeting street-connected children, young mothers, and individuals affected by HIV/AIDS, our interventions actively contribute to SDG 10 by reducing inequalities. We provide equal access to education, healthcare, and support services while challenging social stigmas and discrimination, thereby fostering an inclusive and equitable environment where vulnerable individuals can thrive.

- **SDG16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions:** Cheka Sana Foundation contributes to SDG 16 by fostering peace, justice, and strong institutions through education, empowerment, and community collaboration. By working with local organizations, government entities, and community partners, we create an enabling environment that safeguards the rights and well-being of street-connected children, young mothers, and individuals affected by HIV/AIDS, ensuring they can live with dignity and access justice.

### **Community Prevention Initiatives:**

- **SDG 16 - Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions:** Through 30 community awareness meetings, Cheka Sana Foundation empowered communities to prioritize positive parenting and uphold children's rights.

These sessions fostered a shared sense of responsibility for the welfare of at-risk children, encouraging collective action to address vulnerabilities and safeguard their future. By equipping community members with the tools to protect and support vulnerable children, the initiative strengthened local systems and contributed to building stronger, more resilient institutions.

- **SDG 4 - Quality Education:** The establishment of 10 children's rights clubs has significantly enhanced children's cognitive development and reduced school absenteeism. These clubs provide a platform for children to understand their rights, access support, and engage in activities that promote learning and personal growth. By creating safe, nurturing spaces, the initiative promotes quality education, fosters child well-being, and reinforces the importance of staying in school.

### **VSLA FY2023/24:**

- **SDG 1 - No Poverty:** Cheka Sana's Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLA) program has significantly contributed to reducing poverty by fostering economic empowerment among marginalized families. The initiative, which consists of 44 savings groups with over 1,000 active members, has generated a combined capital of 200 million TZS.

#### Key highlights include:

1. **Household Income Generation:** Members shared 145.5 million TZS in dividends, enabling families to improve their living conditions and support their children's education and well-being.

2. **Financial Stability:** By providing access to savings and small loans, the program has empowered families to engage in income-generating activities, reducing financial vulnerability and breaking the cycle of poverty.

- **SDG 8 - Decent Work and Economic Growth:** The VSLA program also aligns with SDG 8 by promoting sustainable economic growth and decent work opportunities. Through financial literacy training and savings mechanisms, members are equipped with the knowledge and resources to start or expand small businesses.

**Integration with Child Rights Advocacy:** The initiative goes beyond financial empowerment by connecting financial literacy with child rights awareness through Child Rights Clubs. This dual approach addresses both economic and social vulnerabilities, ensuring that parents and guardians are better equipped to prevent children from entering street life.

### **TSC Sport Academy:**

- **SDG 4 - Quality Education:** The TSC Sports Academy plays a pivotal role in promoting SDG 4 by successfully identifying and reintegrating street-connected children into school and structured sports activities. By combining education with sports, the Academy fosters personal growth and academic engagement, ensuring that children have access to quality education. This approach not only enhances their cognitive and social development but also motivates them to pursue a brighter future through learning and teamwork.
- **SDG 8 - Decent Work and Economic Growth:** The Academy supports SDG 8 by enrolling players in various age categories, providing them with structured opportunities for personal development and potential career pathways in sports. Beyond athletic skill-building, participants gain discipline, teamwork, and resilience, which are transferable to broader career prospects.

By offering a platform for both personal and professional growth, the Academy contributes to economic empowerment and promotes the development of future opportunities that align with the goals of sustained economic growth and decent work.

## **Summary of Key Achievements**

In the year 2023/24, Cheka Sana Foundation has made significant strides in improving the lives of vulnerable children, youth, and families in Tanzania through its impactful programs and initiatives. These achievements align with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and demonstrate the

Foundation's commitment to fostering inclusion, economic empowerment, and long-term systemic change.

1. **Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLA):**

- Formed **44 savings groups** with over **1,000 active members**, generating a combined capital of **200 million TZS**.
- Distributed **145.5 million TZS in dividends**, improving household incomes, living conditions, and children's well-being.
- Integrated financial literacy training with **Child Rights Clubs**, addressing both economic and social vulnerabilities to prevent children from entering street life.

2. **Tanzania Street Children (TSC) Sports Academy:**

- Reintegrated street-connected children into **education and sports programs**, promoting access to **quality education (SDG 4)**.
- Enrolled **132 players** across various age categories, fostering personal growth, resilience, and opportunities for future careers in sports.
- Participated in international platforms like the **Street Child World Cup**, showcasing the potential of marginalized children and amplifying advocacy efforts globally.

3. **HIV and Mental Health Projects:**

- Supported **203 vulnerable children and adolescents** with access to HIV services and integrated **763 individuals** into ongoing care and treatment programs.
- Conducted **70 community dialogues**, raising awareness about HIV prevention, treatment, and care.
- Provided **Insurance Cover (ICHF)** to **120 families**, ensuring financial access to life-saving healthcare.

4. **Street Born Project:**

- Empowered **34 adolescent mothers** through life skills training, vocational programs (e.g., tailoring), and self-defence classes.
- Linked participants to **healthcare services**, promoting sexual and reproductive health and ensuring prenatal and antenatal care.
- Enabled young mothers to rebuild their lives by re-enrolling in school or starting small businesses, improving their education and livelihoods.

## 5. **Community Awareness and Advocacy:**

- Conducted **60 community awareness sessions** focused on **positive parenting** and **child safeguarding**, encouraging local leaders and families to take collective responsibility for at-risk children.
- Established **13 Child Rights Clubs**, improving children's cognitive abilities, reducing school absenteeism, and fostering safe, nurturing environments.
- Advocated for systemic change through partnerships with local and national governments, resulting in stronger policies for child protection and development.

## 6. **Cheka Sana Community Hub:**

- Initiated the establishment of a **Community Hub** in Mwanza, which will serve as a central location for education, healthcare, vocational training, and psychosocial support. This transformative project will scale the Foundation's impact and foster collaboration with local authorities.

These accomplishments reflect Cheka Sana Foundation's holistic approach to addressing poverty, inequality, and vulnerability. By combining education, economic empowerment, health, and advocacy, the Foundation has created meaningful and lasting change for street-connected children and their families. Let me know if you'd like this expanded or adapted further!

## **Governance**

### **Governance and Management of Cheka Sana Foundation**

#### **Governance Structure:**

- Cheka Sana UK is overseen by a dedicated Board of Trustees. The details of the board members are available on page 3 of our documentation.
- Regular Meetings: The Board convenes a minimum of four times annually, with additional meetings scheduled as necessary.

#### **Delegation and Daily Operations:**

- The Board delegates the oversight of charity fundraising, program activities, and financial matters to the Head of Foundation.

- The Head of Foundation, supported by a team of volunteers, is responsible for the daily operational management of the charity.

### Trustee Appointment and Tenure:

- **Trustee Selection:** Potential trustees are rigorously vetted and must receive approval or recommendation from the Board.
- **Term of Service:** Trustees serve a term of three years, after which they may be reappointed.
- **Mid-Year Appointments:** Trustees appointed during the year must receive approval through an ordinary resolution at the Annual Trustees Meeting.
- **Appointment Process:** New trustees are selected based on identified skill gaps within the Board. Candidates undergo an interview process with at least two Board members, including the Chair. Upon satisfying competence and experience criteria and demonstrating their potential contribution to the Board, they are appointed following a collective vote by all trustees.

### New Trustees, volunteers: Induction and Training

#### Trustees:

- While no new trustee appointments were made during this financial year, we anticipate new appointments and renewals in the coming months. Newly appointed trustees will receive a comprehensive induction pack, relevant publications, and participate in a full-day induction session to familiarize them with the organization's mission, operations, and governance practices.

#### Staff and Volunteers:

- There were no new staff or volunteer appointments during this financial year. Continuous Development: Trustees, along with staff, participate in an annual away day for team building and strategic alignment. They also regularly discuss any training or development needs with the Chair of the Board.

## Key Responsibilities of Trustees at Cheka Sana UK

The Trustees play a crucial role in guiding and overseeing the operations of Cheka Sana UK. Their key responsibilities include:

1. **Strategic Performance Review:** Develop and conduct an annual review of the charity's performance, starting from concept definition to the approval of strategic direction.

2. **Strategic Planning:** Set objectives for developing and reviewing the strategic plan. Approve annual budgets and plans that align with the charity's strategic goals.
3. **Financial Oversight:** Approve the Annual Report and Audited Accounts, ensuring financial transparency and accountability.
4. **Risk Management:** Identify and manage potential risks that could impact the charity's operations and reputation.
5. **Sub-Committee Appointments:** Appoint Sub-Committees as needed and delegate appropriate powers for specialized functions or projects.
6. **Group Chief Executive Management:** Oversee the appointment, terms, conditions, and delegation of powers to the CEO/Head of the Foundation. Ensure effective leadership and management at the executive level.
7. **Legal Compliance:** Monitor and ensure compliance with company and charity law, maintaining legal and ethical standards in all operations.
8. **Asset Stewardship:** Responsible for the stewardship of the charity's assets, ensuring they are managed effectively and used to further the charity's objectives.

These responsibilities are integral to maintaining the integrity, effectiveness, and legal compliance of Cheka Sana UK. The Trustees' commitment to these duties ensures that the charity operates efficiently and continues to achieve its mission and goals.

## Management Team

Since 2020, Cheka Sana UK has operated with a unique management structure, relying entirely on a team of dedicated volunteers rather than paid or salaried staff. As of the end of the 2023/24 period, this team comprised five volunteers, although there was a notable reduction in the volunteer base towards the end of this period. The organization continues to be led by its Founder, Mutani Yangwe, who also serves as the Head of the Foundation. Yangwe's leadership has been pivotal, having founded Cheka Sana and worked tirelessly for the organization both in Tanzania and the UK over the past 16 years. The Head of the Foundation, appointed by the Board of Trustees, is responsible for delivering the organization's objectives and the annual business plan.

In 2020/21, Cheka Sana UK took a significant step by forming its Senior Management Team (SMT) to better represent its leadership roles in the countries where it operates in East Africa. This team then joined forces with the UK-based SMT to establish a new Global Leadership Team (GLT). The



formation of the GLT was a strategic move designed to make decision-making more participatory and to ensure that the leadership is diverse and representative. Importantly, it marked a significant shift in empowering the communities and children that Cheka Sana supports. Operational guidelines have been established to set out authority limits for the GLT and the Head of Foundation, with matters beyond these limits referred to the Board.

Cheka Sana UK's approach to management involves a continuous review of its operational objectives, activities, and overall impact. This review is part of the annual strategic planning process, supplemented by monthly GLT meetings. These practices allow the organization to assess and adapt its strategies effectively, focusing on the depth and breadth of its impact not only on the children it supports but also on their wider families, communities, environments, and economies. This structure and approach to management demonstrate Cheka Sana UK's commitment to effective, responsive, and community-centric leadership.

## **Risk Management**

**Quarterly Risk Review and Management Policy:** Cheka Sana UK takes a proactive approach to risk management, with all risks being reviewed and updated quarterly by the Finance and Audit Committee and the Board of Trustees. This diligent process is part of the Trustee's commitment to the organization's stability and effectiveness. The Risk Management Policy developed by the Trustees includes:

- **Quarterly Risk Review:** Regular assessment of potential risks faced by the charity.
- **Risk Mitigation Systems and Procedures:** Establishment of strategies and practices to mitigate identified risks.
- **Impact Minimization Procedures:** Implementation of procedures designed to minimize the potential impact on the charity should any risks materialize.

## **Key Risks and Mitigations for 2023-24**

### **1. Securing Ongoing Funding:**

- **Mitigation:** Continued investment in fundraising activities and diversifying income streams. The organization is prepared to make in-year budget changes if necessary to adapt to the funding landscape.

## 2. Delivering Services Amidst Coronavirus Impact:

- **Mitigation:** Implementing best practice risk management tailored to local environments, ensuring that services are delivered safely in areas affected by the coronavirus.

## 3. Recruitment and Retention of Volunteers:

- **Mitigation:** To address the challenge of recruiting and retaining suitable volunteers, the foundation ensures competitive salary benchmarking and emphasizes good volunteer supervision. Additionally, financial planning is geared towards providing confidence to key volunteer regarding retention.

## 4. Safeguarding:

- **Mitigation:** The safeguarding teams continue to respond promptly and appropriately to instances in line with established policies. There is also a focus on building the capacity of implementing partners to enhance safeguarding measures.

## Bi-Annual Risk Assessment and Management

Cheka Sana UK identifies principal risks and uncertainties bi-annually, which are recorded in a risk register. The Global Leadership Team (GLT) regularly reviews this register to manage risks and discuss mitigation strategies. These updates are then presented to the Board of Trustees for further oversight and guidance.

## Challenges of Economic Downturn, Inflation, and Fundraising in 2023/24

The economic landscape in 2023/24 has been marked by significant challenges, including rising inflation, global financial instability, and shifts in donor priorities. These factors have had a direct impact on **fundraising efforts**, operational costs, and the ability to sustain critical programs. The **cost of living crisis** has reduced disposable income for many donors, while charitable contributions from corporate partners and foundations have become increasingly competitive.

Additional socio-economic pressures, such as the **UK FCDO and DFID merger**, ongoing **Brexit-related complexities**, and the evolving focus of public and institutional support, have added to the uncertainty, requiring a proactive and innovative response.

In light of these challenges, Cheka Sana UK has adopted a forward-thinking and adaptable approach to ensure continued impact and sustainability:

- **Adapting to Inflation:** Rising operational costs due to inflation have necessitated a thorough review of budgets and resource allocation. This has included identifying efficiencies without compromising the quality of services delivered to beneficiaries.
- **Strengthening Fundraising Capacity:** Cheka Sana has embraced technology by implementing **cloud-based program and financial systems**, including a **fundraising CRM**, to enhance donor engagement, streamline operations, and increase transparency.
- **Diversifying Funding Sources:** Efforts have focused on diversifying income streams, including exploring alternative fundraising methods such as **corporate partnerships**, **grant opportunities**, and **community-based initiatives** to offset the decline in traditional donations.
- **Fostering Innovation and Inclusion:** The organization has placed a renewed emphasis on **innovation and creativity**, ensuring its approach aligns with the evolving needs of beneficiaries and donors. By fostering a culture of **compassion, inclusion, and flexibility**, Cheka Sana ensures that those it serves remain at the heart of decision-making.
- **Building Resilience:** Strategic planning now prioritizes **financial resilience** through sustainable reserve management while continuing to address the immediate and long-term needs of vulnerable communities.

These measures enable Cheka Sana UK to remain effective and agile, ensuring the organization can weather economic uncertainty while continuing to deliver impactful programs and advocate for the most vulnerable. Let me know if you'd like further refinement!

## Safeguarding and Support for Children

Safeguarding children and young people remain a top priority and a major risk, especially given the complexity of needs and the remoteness of the environments where Cheka Sana UK operates. The appointment of a Safeguarding and Mental Health Advisor is a crucial step in maintaining high standards in policy and practice. Additionally, expanding support to frontline workers and partners through policy reviews, training, and the development of a community of practice, as well as the creation of the Children Mental Health Survivors Fund, are key strategies to ensure a holistic approach to child protection and incident response.

## Maintaining Donor Trust in a Challenging Funding Climate

In the increasingly competitive and challenging international charity funding environment, maintaining donor trust remains a top priority for Cheka Sana UK. To address public scepticism and reinforce confidence, the organization has adopted proactive measures to enhance **transparency** and **engagement** with its supporters.

Key initiatives include:

- **Strengthening Digital Communications:** Cheka Sana UK is leveraging technology to provide regular updates to donors and partners, ensuring they stay connected to the tangible impact of their contributions.
- **Innovative Engagement Tools:** Projects like the upcoming **Cheka Sana Podcast** and **Webinar Series** will offer supporters, volunteers, and donors an opportunity to engage directly with the organization's work, fostering deeper connections and showcasing the transformative stories of beneficiaries.
- **Impact-Focused Reporting:** By providing detailed reports and updates, Cheka Sana UK aims to highlight the outcomes of donor contributions, ensuring a clear link between funding and impact.

These steps are designed to build lasting relationships with supporters and demonstrate Cheka Sana UK's commitment to delivering measurable and meaningful results.

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## Staff Safety and Security in Challenging Environments

Ensuring the safety and security of staff and partners remains a top priority for Cheka Sana UK, particularly as operations take place in **remote and volatile locations**. In light of rising global uncertainties and the increased operational demands of working in these environments, the organization has implemented measures to safeguard its teams while ensuring service continuity.

Key considerations include:

- **Staff Wellbeing:** Recognizing the physical and emotional toll of operating in high-risk areas, Cheka Sana prioritizes flexible working arrangements and access to mental health support for all team members.
- **Enhanced Safety Protocols:** Comprehensive security training, risk assessments, and partnerships with local authorities ensure staff are equipped to navigate complex environments safely.

- **Operational Adaptability:** Learning from past crises, including the COVID-19 pandemic, the organization has developed systems to maintain program delivery even under restrictive or unpredictable conditions.

Cheka Sana UK's commitment to staff safety ensures that its teams can continue their vital work with confidence, even in the most challenging circumstances.

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## Upholding Public Benefit

Cheka Sana UK's trustees remain unwavering in their dedication to ensuring the charity delivers its mission for the **public benefit**, both in Tanzania and Uganda, and through awareness campaigns in the UK.

Key highlights include:

- **Support for Vulnerable Children:** Programs address the pressing needs of vulnerable children in Tanzania and Uganda, focusing on education, healthcare, and economic empowerment to improve their long-term prospects.
- **Raising Awareness:** In the UK, Cheka Sana works to inform and engage the public about the challenges faced by Africa's most vulnerable children, fostering greater understanding and support.
- **Alignment with the Charity Commission's Guidance:** Trustees regularly review and align activities with the **Charity Commission's public benefit framework**, ensuring that all objectives contribute to societal good and maximize impact.

By prioritizing transparency, governance, and purpose-driven initiatives, Cheka Sana UK ensures its work remains impactful and aligned with its charitable mission.

## Fundraising Statement

Cheka Sana engages in diverse fundraising activities, reaching out to individuals, companies, and Trusts and Foundations for support and sponsorship. Our approach also includes face-to-face fundraising activities conducted by our volunteers. Our commitment to ethical fundraising and compliance with regulatory standards is reflected in our policies and practices:

1. **Regulatory Compliance:** We are registered with the Fundraising Regulator and adhere to the Codes of Fundraising Practice. Regular updates regarding changes in practice are implemented as necessary to maintain compliance.
2. **Protection of Vulnerable Individuals:** Our policy to protect vulnerable people is rigorously enforced across all fundraising activities and with all involved parties.
3. **Volunteer Fundraiser Appointment:** Prior to appointing volunteer fundraisers, we conduct thorough checks, including reviewing CVs and Enhanced DBS, to ensure adherence to our ethical criteria.
4. **Data Protection and GDPR Preparedness:** We have reviewed and updated our data protection policies and procedures in line with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the fundraising code of practice. Regular monitoring of these policies is conducted across the organization.
5. **Supporter Communication:** Clear options are provided to our supporters to opt out of further contact as part of every fundraising approach. Our supporter charter and privacy policy are prominently displayed on our website and regularly communicated to our supporters.
6. **Data Privacy:** We maintain a strict policy of not sharing or selling data with any other organizations.
7. **Feedback and Complaints:** In the 2023/24 period, Cheka Sana received no complaints, reflecting our commitment to high standards.
8. **Commitment to Supporters and Beneficiaries:** Our supporters and beneficiaries are central to our operations and objectives. We strive to maintain high standards in fundraising and communication, upholding the principles outlined in our supporter promise.

Our fundraising approach is designed to ensure that we not only meet our financial goals but also maintain the trust and support of our donors and the public, upholding our commitment to ethical practices and transparency.

## Financial Results 2023/24

### Income

The total income for the financial year was **£19.4k**, comprising entirely of unrestricted income, with **£0.00** received as restricted income. Key sources of income included:

- **Corporate Contributions:** £1.5k from Article 25.
- **Major Donor Support:** £4.5k.
- **In-Kind Giving Programme:** £12.7k.
- **Carried Forward Funds:** £7k from 2022/23.

However, total income declined significantly compared to the previous financial year, dropping from **£58.5k in 2022/23 to £19.4k in 2023/24**. Notably, no income was received from Corporate or Trust contributions this year.

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### **Charitable Activities**

The total expenditure for the year was **£27.5k**.

- **Programme Expenditure for Cheka Sana Tanzania:** £5.4k.
- **Programme Expenditure for Cheka Sana Uganda:** £0.

The allocation of charitable activity expenditure was as follows:

- **70%** directed to our Tanzania programmes.
  - **20%** allocated to our UK programmes.
  - **10%** designated for our Uganda programmes.
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### **Expenditure on Fundraising**

Fundraising expenditure accounted for 10.1% of the total income for 2023/24. These costs included:

- Project monitoring.
- Website and social media management.
- Cheka Sana (online) Shop operations.
- Support costs and mailing activities.

The increase in fundraising expenditure reflects the relaunch and expansion of the organization's fundraising programme to meet operational and programmatic needs. This financial overview demonstrates Cheka Sana Foundation's continued focus on supporting its mission despite facing significant income challenges.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

**CHEKA SANA  
FOUNDATION**

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

**CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1189823**

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**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

<b>CHARITY NUMBER</b>	1189823
<b>DATE OF REGISTRATION</b>	8th June 2020
<b>START OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	1st April 2023
<b>END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	31st March 2024
<b>TRUSTEES AT 31ST MARCH 2024</b>	Thomas Merilion Simon Obendorf Serena Kelly Daniella Durston Stuart Page
<b>LEGAL STATUS</b>	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
<b>GOVERNING INSTRUMENT</b>	CIO - Foundation Registered 8th June 2020

**OBJECTS**

a) The advancement of education of the pupils at local schools in Mwanza, Tanzania by providing and assisting the provision of facilities for education at the relevant schools; b) The development of the capacity and skills of young people and women of the socially and economically disadvantaged communities in Tanzania in such ways that they are better able to identify and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society; c) The advancement of physical and mental health of victims of child abuse, young people and women in Tanzania, in particular by the provision of counselling and support; d) The relief of poverty through unemployment for the benefit of young people in Tanzania in such ways as the Trustees see fit, including assistance to find employment; e) the promotion of social inclusion in Tanzania by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded to help them overcome the disadvantage arising from their social exclusion and assisting them to integrate into society; f) Socially excluded means being excluded from society, or parts of society, as a result of one or more of the following factors: unemployment, financial hardship, youth or old age, ill health (physical or mental), substance abuse or dependency including on alcohol or drugs, discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, disability, ethnic origin, religion, belief, creed, sexual orientation or gender re-assignment, poor education or skill attainment, relationship and family breakdown, poor housing (that is housing that does not meet basic habitable standards), homelessness, crime (either as victim of crime or as an offender rehabilitating into society); f) The advancement of health and wellbeing by promoting community participation in healthy recreational activities in Tanzania, in particular by the provision of facilities for the playing of Football; g) To further such other purposes which may be Charitable according to the Law of England and Wales as the Trustees see fit from time to time.

<b>CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS</b>	8 Capito Drive North Hykeham Lincoln LN6 9FZ
<b>PRIMARY BANKERS</b>	CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ
<b>INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS</b>	Castle View Accounting Ltd Ground Floor Offices 53 High Street Arundel West Sussex BN18 9AJ

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

**Trustees' Responsibilities**

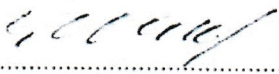
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice GAAP).

The Law applicable to Charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Governing Document 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 the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the CIO will continue to operate.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Governing Document. 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 the Trustees on 29 JAN 2025 .....

Signed on their behalf by Trustee  .....

Printed Name:

DR SIMON ORENDORF

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>TOTAL 2023/24 £</b>	<b>TOTAL 2022/23 £</b>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<b>Incoming Resources from Generated Funds</b>					
Donations, Grants & Legacies	<b>3a</b>	19,004	-	19,004	57,832
Investment Income	<b>3b</b>	4	-	4	12
Other Incoming Resources	<b>3c</b>	473	-	473	713
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>19,480</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,480</b>	<b>58,556</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
<b>Costs of Generating Funds</b>					
Cost of Charitable Activities	<b>4a</b>	26,657	-	26,657	56,233
Governance Costs	<b>4b</b>	900	-	900	750
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		<b>27,557</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,557</b>	<b>56,983</b>
<b>NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES</b>		<b>(8,077)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(8,077)</b>	<b>1,573</b>
Funds Brought Forward		5,813	-	5,813	4,240
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>(2,264)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,264)</b>	<b>5,813</b>

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 38 to 43 form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-24 £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Tangible Assets	2	-	-	-	-
Investments	6	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		-	-	-	-
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Debtors & Prepayments	8	-	-	-	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand	7	86	-	86	7,263
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		86	-	86	7,263
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	9	2,350	-	2,350	1,450
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		(2,264)	-	(2,264)	5,813
<b>TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities</b>		(2,264)	-	(2,264)	5,813
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due in more than one year</b>	10	-	-	-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		(2,264)	-	(2,264)	5,813
<b>Funds of the Charity</b>					
General Funds		(2,264)	-	(2,264)	5,813
Restricted Funds	5	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Funds</b>		(2,264)	-	(2,264)	5,813

Approved by the Trustees on 29 JAN 2025

Signed on their behalf by Trustee S. C. C. C. C.

Printed Name:  
DR SIMON OBENDORF

# CHEKA SANA FOUNDATION

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of Preparation & Assessment of Going Concern

##### Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015) (Second Edition, effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

##### Assessment of Going Concern

Preparation of the accounts is on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Incoming Resources

##### Recognition of Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

##### Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

##### Grants and Donations

Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

##### Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SOFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

##### Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

##### Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

##### Donated Services and Facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

##### Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

##### Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**Expenditure and Liabilities**

**Liability Recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

**Governance Costs**

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the trustees meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

**Grants with Performance Conditions**

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SOFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

**Grants Payable without Performance Conditions**

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to a grant which remain in control of the charity.

**Investments**

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.

**Unrestricted funds**

These funds can be used for the general objectives of the charity as set out in the trustees report. The movements of the unrestricted funds are given in the Statement of Financial Activities.

**Restricted funds**

These funds are where the donor has specified a purpose for the donation made. These restrictions often arise as a result of appeals for special offerings for specific purposes.

**Designated funds**

These funds are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for particular purposes or projects.

**Fixed Assets**

Fixed Assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £1,500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

**Depreciation Expense**

Depreciation is calculated at a rate to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives. The rates applied are as follows:

Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment	25% - Straight Line Basis
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**2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

The CIO held no fixed assets during this or the previous financial period.

The annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases and capital commitments are as follows:

31st March 2024: None

31st March 2023: None

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**3. INCOMING RESOURCES**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	<b>TOTAL 2023/24 £</b>	<b>TOTAL 2022/23 £</b>
<b>a) Donations, Grants &amp; Legacies</b>				
Gifts & Donations	19,004	-	19,004	57,832
	<b>19,004</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,004</b>	<b>57,832</b>
<b>b) Investment Income</b>				
Interest	4	-	4	12
	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>c) Other Incoming Resources</b>				
Sundry Income	473	-	473	713
	<b>473</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>713</b>



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**4. RESOURCES EXPENDED**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023/24 £	TOTAL 2022/23 £
a) Cost of Charitable Activities				
Activities & Events	250	-	250	6,912
Advertising & Publicity	178	-	178	999
Bank Charges	110	-	110	216
Equipment Costs	1,510	-	1,510	1,998
Fundraising Costs	677	-	677	1,907
Licenses & Subscriptions	1,110	-	1,110	1,456
Merchandise Costs	2,901	-	2,901	-
Office Costs	3,247	-	3,247	2,740
Programme Costs	12,749	-	12,749	31,506
Sundry Expenses	294	-	294	375
Telephone Costs	90	-	90	949
Travel & Subsistence	191	-	191	3,736
Utility Costs	520	-	520	-
Volunteers Costs	517	-	517	300
Website Costs	2,312	-	2,312	3,139
	<b>26,657</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,657</b>	<b>56,233</b>
b) Governance Costs				
Independent Examiners Fees	900	-	900	750
	<b>900</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>750</b>

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**5. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The CIO held no restricted funds during this or the previous financial period.

**6. INVESTMENTS**

The CIO held no fixed assets investments during this or the previous financial period.

**7. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Mar-24 £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Cash at Bank & in Hand	86	-	86	7,263
	<b>86</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>7,263</b>

**8. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS**

The CIO held no debtors and prepayments during this or the previous financial period.

**9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Mar-24 £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Independent Examiners Fees	900	-	900	750
Sundry Creditors	1,450	-	1,450	700
	<b>2,350</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,350</b>	<b>1,450</b>

**10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

The CIO held no long term liabilities during this or the previous financial period.

**11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Mar-24 £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Tangible Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-
Net Current Assets	(2,264)	-	(2,264)	5,764
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>(2,264)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,264)</b>	<b>5,764</b>

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**12. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS**

The CIO employed no members of staff during this or the previous financial period.

**13. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES**

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

**14. RISK ASSESSMENT**

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

**15. RESERVES POLICY**

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the CIO's needs. This is based on the CIO's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the CIO will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

**16. PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The CIO acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the CIO has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the CIO should undertake.

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

Report to the trustees/ members of the Cheka Sana Foundation on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024 set out on pages 36 to 43.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 30th January 2025