

LEEDS DESTITUTE ASYLUM-SEEKERS SUPPORT (LEDAS)

England & Wales · Charity number 1190001

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-06-18

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS OR AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO RECOURSE TO PUBLIC FUNDS (NRPF), PREDOMINANTLY REFUGEES SEEKING ASYLUM, BY:- PROVIDING SAFE, SUITABLE AND SUPPORTIVE ACCOMMODATION; AND- OFFERING OTHER PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT.

Activities: To relieve the needs of people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness because they have no recourse to public funds (NRPF), predominantly refugees seeking asylum, by providing safe, suitable and supportive accommodation and offering other practical assistance and support

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Disability
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Leeds City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£54,013	£47,979	-	-
2024-06-30	£231,639	£240,814	-	-
2023-06-30	£27,678	£47,665	-	-
2022-06-30	£82,472	£42,120	-	-
2021-06-30	£56,547	£29,233	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr GILLIAN TOBER	Chair	2020-06-18
Dr Sally Brown		2020-06-18
Jenny Willison		2020-06-18
MATTHEW THORNFIELD		2020-06-18
Mohammadreza Madadi		2025-10-23
Penelope Lewis		2023-02-22

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Accounts

Leeds Destitute Asylum-Seekers Support
Charity Number 1190001

Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the period 1st July 2024 to 30th June 2025

LEDAS
Dignity in Destitution

**Leeds Destitute
Asylum-seekers
Support**

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)

Charity Information

DIRECTORS: G Tober (Chair)
S Brown
J Willison (Secretary)
M Thornfield (Treasurer)
P Lewis
T Pickles*
M Madadi **

REGISTERED OFFICE: 20 Moss Gardens
Leeds
LS17 7BH

REGISTERED NUMBER: 1190001 (England and Wales)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER: T P Lawler

* retired 30th September 2024
** appointed 23rd October 2025

Trustees' report for the year ended 30 June 2025

Review of the year

Throughout the year, the charity has provided accommodation and support to 12 destitute asylum seekers in two rented houses in Leeds.

These individuals have no recourse to public funds, are not permitted to work and have no entitlement to claim benefits. They are destitute and street-homeless at the point of referral.

We are able to accommodate 8 individuals at any one time, and have had full occupancy over the year, other than for four nights during changeovers of residents. We aim to effect each changeover in as speedy a way as possible to reduce the risk and duration of street homelessness for successful applicants.

As well as providing the physical building for the individuals to live in (with their own bedroom and shared use of living room, kitchen and bathroom facilities) we have been providing the residents with food, household consumables, mobile-phone top-ups, bus tickets, and a small weekly allowance for food and their personal needs. We are exceptionally grateful for the various funders who have made it possible to provide these. They have had a big impact on the quality of life of our residents and allow them to live with a sense of dignity, which is one of the key aims of the charity. We accompany residents to healthcare appointments and casework meetings where necessary, to ensure that they are well supported in pursuing improved health and well-being and their asylum claims.

This was the first full year of the owning one of our two houses, following a generous donation that was made for that purposes in the previous year. Excluding one off property costs, the expenses for the year were £38,121, which is approximately £10k less than we have seen in previous years, reflecting the reduction in rent that the charity needs to pay as a result of the property purchase.

The trustees wish also to express their thanks to all those who have supported the charity over the year, whether financially, with donations of food, clothing or other items, or with offers of practical help and support.

Summary of current operations and activities

We have two 4-bedroom properties in Leeds, providing accommodation and services to 8 individual asylum seekers who would otherwise be street homeless.

We meet the residents every week and offer practical assistance and support.

The other main activity undertaken by the trustees over the year was fundraising, to cover the costs of running the charity.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have decided that the charity should hold reserves of £24,500, made up of 3 months' forecast operating costs at £9,500, together with a further £15,000 as a contingency for unexpected emergency costs in relation to the property that the charity owns.

Trustee appointments

The charity is run by the trustees with a small number of occasional volunteers. It does not employ any staff.

are appointed for a 2 year term, and may stand for re-appointment.

One trustee, Tony Pickles, retired from his position during the year (noted on page 2). The charity recruited a further trustee, Mohammadreza Madadi after the year end (also noted on page 2).

Risk Management

To manage the risks faced by the charity, the trustees have put in place a number of policies covering topics including safeguarding, health and safety and data privacy. Procedures to cover risk assessment at the point of referral of potential new residents have been updated on the basis of experience gained directly or in consultation with other providers. This has enabled trustees to feel more confident in being able to accommodate applicants with more complex cases of physical disability, mental ill-health and more complex asylum claims. All residents sign a document confirming their agreement to abide by the charity's rules and procedures for living in our accommodation.



Dr Gillian Tober
Chair of trustees

12th January 2025

Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEDAS

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30th June 2025, which are set out on pages 6 and 7.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records, or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the account 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.

SIGNED T.P. Lawler Date 13/1/26

Name: T. P. Lawler BA (Hons) FCA

Address: 20 Park Wood Close, Skipton, North Yorkshire, BD23 1QW

Qualification or body: Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (retired member)

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)**Statement of Financial Activities (prepared on a cash basis)
for the Year Period 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025**

INCOME	June 2025 Restricted	June 2025 Unrestricted	June 2025 Total	June 2024 Total
<u>Grants and donations from charitable trusts</u>				
Leeds City Council	17,508		23,008	11,448
Sisters of the Holy Family of Bordeaux	5,000		5,000	5,000
Church Homeless Trust	780		780	1,440
Hilden Charitable Fund	5,380		5,380	
The Grail Society	5,000		5,000	
Albert Hunt	7,000		7,000	
Sir George Martin Trust	2,500		2,500	
Leeds Quakers		3,000		
Leeds Christian Community Trust		2,000		
TK Maxx		500		
National Lottery				33,578
B&Q Foundation				10,000
Hilden Charitable Trust				5,380
West Riding Masonic Charity Ltd				1,500
Masonic Charitable Foundation				1,500
Lush				1,000
<u>Donations and fundraising</u>				
Donations eligible for gift aid		3,530	3,530	3,604
Other donations		775	775	157,189
<u>Other income</u>				
Gift aid reclaim		1,040	1040	0
TOTAL	43,168	10,845	54,013	231,639
EXPENDITURE				
	June 2025 Restricted	June 2025 Unrestricted	June 2025 Total	June 2024 Total
<u>Properties and residents' expenditure</u>				
Rent and Landlords' costs	9,252	1,548	10,800	29,642
Weekly allowances and phone top ups	13,753		13,753	12,808
Bus passes and travel	2,414		2,414	4,369
Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water)	6,058		6,058	8,000
Council tax	1,079	1,084	2,163	1,314
TV Licences	346		346	318
Resident fitness and welfare	725		725	720
Broadband	462		462	411
Other general expenses	5	36	41	73
<u>General expenses and one-off purchases</u>				
Property purchase				155,000
Associated property costs including repairs, equipment & appliances	9,308	650	9,958	26,849
Insurance		1,259	1,259	1,190
Organisation membership fees				120
TOTAL	43,400	4,578	47,979	240,814
Net surplus / (deficit)	768	5,268	6,036	(9,175)

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)

**Balance Sheet
at 30 June 2025**

	June 2025 £		June 2024 £	
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total
Fixed assets				
Property	155,000	0	155,000	155,000
Current assets				
Cash at bank and in hand	15,220	29,319	44,539	38,503
		0		
Debtors	0		0	0
Net current assets	15,220	29,319	44,539	38,503
Creditors	0	0	0	0
Total assets less current liabilities	170,220	29,319	199,539	193,503
Net assets	170,220	29,319	199,539	193,503

**Reconciliation of movement of funds
to 30 June 2025**

	£
Opening balance 1 July 2024	38,503
Surplus on financial activities	6,036
Closing balance 30 June 2025	44,539

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Charity Information

DIRECTORS:	G Tober (Chair) S Brown J Willison (Secretary) M Thornfield (Treasurer) P Lewis T Pickles*
REGISTERED OFFICE:	20 Moss Gardens Leeds LS17 7BH
REGISTERED NUMBER:	1190001 (England and Wales)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:	T P Lawler

* retired 30th September 2024

Trustees' report for the year ended 30 June 2024

Review of the year

Throughout the year, the charity has provided accommodation and support to 9 destitute asylum seekers in two rented houses in Leeds.

These individuals have no recourse to public funds, are not permitted to work and have no entitlement to claim benefits. They are destitute and street-homeless at the point of referral.

We are able to accommodate 8 individuals at any one time, and have had full occupancy over the year, other than for four nights during changeover of residents. We aim to effect the changeover in as speedy a way as possible to reduce the risk and duration of street homelessness for successful applicants.

As well as providing the physical building for the individuals to live in (with their own bedroom and shared use of living room, kitchen and bathroom facilities) we have been providing the residents with food, household consumables, mobile-phone top-ups, bus tickets, and a small weekly allowance for food and their personal needs. We are exceptionally grateful for the various funders who have made it possible to provide these. They have had a big impact on the quality of life of our residents and allow them to live with a sense of dignity, which is one of the key aims of the charity. We accompany residents to healthcare appointments and casework meetings where necessary, to ensure that they are well supported in pursuing improved health and well-being and their asylum claims.

The charity received a very generous donation of £155,000, for the purpose of purchasing a property. This was at the time that another charity in Leeds, The Brothers of the First Order of the Society of St Francis notified us that they would be vacating two of their properties in Leeds – these offered the opportunity of similar accommodation to that which we had been renting, but in a better overall state of repair. As a result, the charity was able to negotiate the outright purchase of one of these properties, and an agreement to rent the second. In the latter half of the financial year, we vacated the properties we had previously been renting and moved to these two new properties.

This property move is a very significant event for the long term viability of the charity. Having a property we own halves our ongoing rent costs (albeit with the responsibility for maintenance and building insurance). The second property provides us with better security of long term availability, expected low levels of increasing rent over time, and the security that comes with having a caring and supportive landlord.

A number of additional one-off costs and expenses were incurred in relation to the property purchase and move, most of which was fully funded by grants and donations. These are detailed in the notes to the accounts.

The trustees are incredibly grateful to both the donor and the Brothers for helping us to make this happen. The trustees wish to also express their thanks to all those who have supported the charity over the year, whether financially, with donations of food, clothing or other items, or with offers of practical help and support.

Summary of current operations and activities

We have two 4-bedroom properties in Leeds, providing accommodation and services to 8 individual asylum seekers who would otherwise be street homeless.

We meet the residents every week and offer practical assistance and support.

The other main activity undertaken by the trustees over the year was fundraising, to cover the costs of running the charity.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have decided that the charity should hold reserves of £26,000, made up of 3 months' forecast operating costs at £11,000, together with a further £15,000 as a contingency for unexpected emergency costs in relation to the property that the charity owns.

Trustee appointments

The charity is run by the trustees with a small number of occasional volunteers. It does not employ any staff.

The current trustees are those who founded the charity, with one additional trustee appointed during the previous year. Trustees are appointed for a 2 year term, and may stand for re-appointment.

One trustee, Tony Pickles, retired from his position after the year end (noted on page 2).

Risk Management

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Dr Gillian Tober
Chair of trustees

12th December 2024

Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEDAS

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Responsibilities and basis of the report

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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.

SIGNED T. P. Lawler Date 15/12/24

Name: T. P. Lawler BA (Hons) FCA

Address: 20 Park Wood Close, Skipton, North Yorkshire, BD23 1QW

Qualification or body: Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (retired member)

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)**Statement of Financial Activities (prepared on a cash basis)
for the Year Period 1 July 2023 - 30 June 2024**

INCOME	June 2024 Restricted	June 2024 Unrestricted	June 2024 Total	June 2023 Total
<u>Grants and donations from charitable trusts</u>				
National Lottery	23,499	10,079	33,578	
Leeds City Council	11,448		11,448	
B&Q Foundation	10,000		10,000	
Hilden Charitable Trust	5,380		5,380	
Sisters of the Holy Family of Bordeaux	5,000		5,000	11,000
West Riding Masonic Charity Ltd	1,500		1,500	
Masonic Charitable Foundation	1,500		1,500	
Church Homeless Trust	1,440		1,440	960
Lush	1,000		1,000	
Allen Lane				3,000
Brelms				5,000
Garfield Weston				5,000
<u>Donations and fundraising</u>				
Donations eligible for gift aid		3,604	3,604	1,430
Other donations	155,000	2,189	157,189	745
<u>Other income</u>				
Gift aid reclaim		0	0	543
TOTAL	215,767	15,872	231,639	27,678
EXPENDITURE	June 2024 Restricted	June 2024 Unrestricted	June 2024 Total	June 2023 Total
<u>Properties and residents' expenditure</u>				
Rent and Landlords' costs	29,642		29,642	21,534
Weekly allowances and phone top ups	12,808		12,808	11,859
Bus passes and travel	4,369		4,369	4,150
Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water)	8,000		8,000	6,934
Council tax	1,314		1,314	906
TV Licences	318		318	317
Resident fitness and welfare	720		720	673
Broadband	411		411	179
Other general expenses	73		73	188
<u>General expenses and one-off purchases</u>				
Property purchase	155,000		155,000	
Associated property costs including repairs, equipment & appliances	17,811	9,038	26,849	125
Insurance	1,190		1,190	740
Organisation membership fees		120	120	60
TOTAL	231,656	9,158	240,814	47,665
Net surplus / (deficit)	(15,889)	6,714	(9,175)	(19,987)

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**Balance Sheet
at 30 June 2024**

	June 2024 £			June 2023 £
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	
Fixed assets				
Property	155,000	0	155,000	0
Current assets				
Cash at bank and in hand	14,580	23,923	38,503	47,679
Debtors	0	0	0	0
Net current assets	14,580	23,923	38,503	47,679
Creditors	0	0	0	0
Total assets less current liabilities	169,540	23,923	193,503	47,679
Net assets	169,580	23,923	193,503	47,679

**Reconciliation of movement of funds
to 30 June 2024**

	£
Opening balance 1 July 2023	47,679
Deficit on financial activities	(9,175)
Closing balance 30 June 2024	38,504

Notes to the accounts

During the year the charity received a very generous substantial donation of £155,000 to allow it to purchase a property. This will significantly help with the long term sustainability of the charity, reducing the ongoing rent costs by approximately £10,800 per annum.

As this was a one-off transaction, and to keep the accounts preparation work simple, the trustees have elected to continue to report the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

The charity moved from its previous two rented properties to the now owned property and an alternative rented property during the last part of the financial year. The newly rented property is of a higher standard and in a better state of repair than that previously used by the charity.

The figure of £26,849 for "Associated property costs including repairs, equipment & appliances" includes the fitting of a new kitchen at £10,601, and re-roofing work at £7,187, together with various the fees and costs associated with purchasing the property (such as surveyors and solicitors), costs to furnish and repair both properties and bring them to the standard required.

The trustees do not consider that any of these costs will impact the resale price of the purchased house, and so have reported the house the accounts as an asset at the purchase price.

There are some further costs associated with the property purchase and move which will be incurred in the following year. This includes planned improvements to a bathroom to make it more easily usable by a disabled resident, at a cost of £5,600, which will be covered by grant funding which has been received after the current year end.

The rent figure included above includes a pre-payment of rent of £10,800 on the rented property.

The last gift aid claim was submitted in December 2022. A further claim is being submitted after the year end which will cover all outstanding claimable gift aid to June 2024, of £944.75.

The trustees have decided to assign £15,000 of the funds as a designated fund to provide for any unforeseen emergency costs in relation to the property it now owns.

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Charity Information

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REGISTERED OFFICE:	20 Moss Gardens Leeds LS17 7BH
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:	T P Lawler

Trustees' report for the year ended 30 June 2023

Review of the year

Throughout the year, the charity has provided accommodation and support to 11 destitute asylum seekers in two rented houses in Leeds.

These individuals have no recourse to public funds, and so are not permitted to work and have no entitlement to claim benefits. They are therefore at risk of becoming destitute / street-homeless.

We are able to accommodate 8 individuals at any one time, and have had full occupancy over the year, other than for an occasional night when two of our residents left the properties, and we were able to offer use of the vacant room to another destitute asylum seeker. Of the two residents who left, one was granted the right to remain and work in the UK.

As well as providing the physical building for the individuals to live in (with their own bedroom and shared use of kitchen and bathroom facilities) we have been providing the residents with food, household consumables, mobile phone top ups, a weekly delivery of a fruit and vegetable box, a monthly bus pass and a small weekly allowance for their personal needs. We are exceptionally grateful for the various funders who have made it possible to provide these. They have had a big impact on the quality of life of our residents and allow them to live with a sense of dignity, which is one of the key aims of the charity.

The charity has received further funding from various organisations (detailed below) and donations from a number of individuals over the year.

Although the net position for the year is a deficit, this is primarily due to the charity having been successful in achieving multi-year grants during the previous financial year. We therefore leave the year in a comfortable financial position, with the focus of applying for further grant funding during the coming year to start from early 2024.

At the end of the last financial year we had expected to be able to take on a further property, increasing our provision to 12 concurrent residents. Unfortunately these plans did not come to fruition, mainly due to unfavorable market conditions (the economy and the housing market) adversely impacting the potential benevolent landlords we were in discussion with. These plans are now on hold, although we hope that they may be revived at a future date.

The trustees wish to express their thanks to all those who have supported the charity over the year, whether financially, with donations of food, clothing or other items, or with offers of practical help and support.

Summary of current operations and activities

We have rented two 4-bedroom properties in Leeds throughout the year, providing accommodation and services to 8 individual asylum seekers who would otherwise be street homeless.

We meet the residents every week and offer practical assistance and support.

The other main activity undertaken by the trustees over the year was fundraising, to cover the costs of running the charity

Reserves Policy

The trustees have decided that the charity should hold reserves equivalent to 3 months' forecast operating costs (£10,500).

Trustee appointments

The charity is run by the trustees with a small team of volunteers. It does not employ any staff.

The current trustees are those who founded the charity, with one additional trustee appointed during the year. Trustees are appointed for a 2 year term, and may stand for re-appointment.

Risk Management

To manage the risks faced by the charity, the trustees have put in place a number of policies covering topics including safeguarding, health and safety and data privacy. Procedures have been established to cover how asylum seekers may be referred to the charity and subsequently assessed for the suitability of living in the charity's accommodation. All residents agree to abide by the charity's rules and procedures for living in our accommodation. These include rules relating to living in a Covid-safe environment.

Summary of grants received

The following amounts were received during the year:

Sisters of the Holy Family of Bordeaux - £11,000 for accommodation and living costs

The Brelms Trust CIO - £5,000 for accommodation and living costs

Garfield Weston - £5,000 for accommodation and living costs

Church Homeless Trust - £960 for mobile phone top-ups

Allen Lane - £3,000 for accommodation



Dr Gillian Tober
Chair of trustees

19th December 2023

Date

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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.

SIGNED TP Lawler

Date 28th December 2023

Name: T. P. Lawler BA (Hons) FCA

Address: 20 Park Wood Close, Skipton, North Yorkshire, BD23 1QW

Qualification or body: Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (retired member)

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)**Statement of Financial Activities (prepared on a cash basis)
for the Year Period 1 July 2022 - 30 June 2023**

INCOME	June 2023 Restricted	June 2023 Unrestricted	June 2023 Total	June 2022 Total
<u>Grants and donations from charitable trusts</u>				
Allen Lane	3,000		3,000	3,000
Brelms	5,000		5,000	5,000
Church Homeless Trust	960		960	3,650
Garfield Weston	5,000		5,000	5,000
Sisters of the Holy Family of Bordeaux	11,000		11,000	25,200
Other				36,148
<u>Donations and fundraising</u>				
Donations eligible for gift aid		1,690	1,690	2,350
Other donations		485	485	1,023
<u>Other income</u>				
Gift aid reclaim		543	543	1,101
TOTAL	24,960	2,718	27,678	82,472
EXPENDITURE	June 2023 Restricted	June 2023 Unrestricted	June 2023 Total	June 2022 Total
<u>Properties and residents' expenditure</u>				
Rent and Landlords' costs	21,534		21,534	21,543
Weekly allowances and phone top ups	11,859		11,859	11,460
Bus passes and travel	4,150		4,150	2,454
Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water)	6,934		6,934	4,273
Council tax	906		906	458
TV Licences	317		317	319
Resident health and welfare	673		673	574
Broadband	179		179	
Other general expenses	188		188	216
<u>General expenses and one-off purchases</u>				
Equipment and appliances		125	125	50
Insurance	740		740	722
Organisation membership fees		60	60	60
TOTAL	47,480	185	47,665	42,120
Net surplus / (loss)	(22,520)	2,533	(19,987)	40,352

**Balance Sheet
at 30 June 2023**

	June 2023			June 2022
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	£
Fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Current assets				
Cash at bank and in hand	29,851	17,828	47,679	67,666
Debtors	0	0	0	0
Net current assets	29,851	17,828	47,679	67,666
Creditors	0	0	0	0
Total assets less current liabilities	29,851	17,828	47,679	67,666
Net assets	29,851	17,828	47,679	67,666

**Reconciliation of movement of funds
to 30 June 2023**

	£
Opening balance 1 July 2022	67,666
Loss on financial activities	(19,987)
Closing balance 30 June 2023	47,679

LEEDS DESTITUTE ASYLUM-SEEKERS SUPPORT (LEDAS)

England & Wales - Charity number 1190001

Accounts

Leeds Destitute Asylum-Seekers Support
Charity Number 1190001

Annual Report and financial statements
for the period 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022

LEDAS
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**Leeds Destitute
Asylum-seekers
Support**

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)

Charity Information

DIRECTORS:	G Tober (Chair) S Brown J Willison (Secretary) T Pickles M Thornfield (Treasurer)
REGISTERED OFFICE:	20 Moss Gardens Leeds LS17 7BH
REGISTERED NUMBER:	1190001 (England and Wales)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:	T P Lawler

Trustees' report for the year ended 30 June 2022

Review of the year

Throughout the year, the charity has provided accommodation and support to 10 destitute asylum seekers in two rented houses in Leeds.

These individuals have no recourse to public funds, and so are not permitted to work and have no entitlement to claim benefits. They are therefore at risk of becoming destitute / street-homeless.

We are able to accommodate 8 individuals at any one time, and have had full occupancy over the year, other than for an occasional night when two of our residents left the properties, and we were able to offer use of the vacant room to another destitute asylum seeker. Of the two residents who left, one was granted the right to remain and work in the UK.

As well as providing the physical building for the individuals to live in (with their own bedroom and shared use of kitchen and bathroom facilities) we have been providing the residents with food, household consumables, mobile phone top ups (funded by the Leeds Conversation Club and Church Homeless Trust), a weekly delivery of a fruit and vegetable box (funded in part by Leeds Community Foundation), a monthly bus pass (funded by Leeds Community Foundation and Sisters of the Cross and Passion) and a small weekly allowance for their personal needs. These have had a big impact on the quality of life of our residents and allow them to live with a sense of dignity, which is one of the key aims of the charity.

The charity has received further funding from various organisations (detailed below) and donations from a number of individuals over the year. We therefore leave the year in a strong financial position, ready and in the expectation that we will be able to take on a further property, increasing our provision to 12 concurrent residents, during the year ahead.

The trustees wish to express their thanks to all those who have supported the charity over the year, whether financially, with donations of food, clothing or other items, or with offers of practical help and support.

Summary of current operations and activities

We have rented two 4-bedroom properties in Leeds throughout the year, providing accommodation and services to 8 individual asylum seekers who would otherwise be street homeless.

We meet the residents every week and offer practical assistance and support. This has included assisting residents to attend medical appointments and encouraging the residents to avail themselves of the Covid-19 vaccines and boosters.

The other main activity undertaken by the trustees over the year were:

- fundraising, to cover the costs of running the charity
- negotiations with a benevolent landlord who is potentially willing to rent a property to us at below-market rates.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have decided that the charity should hold reserves equivalent to 3 months' forecast operating costs (£10,500).

Trustee appointments

The charity is run by the trustees with a small team of volunteers. It does not employ any staff.

The current trustees founded the charity. Trustees are normally to be appointed for a 2 year term. To provide for continuity, an initial term of office of between 1 and 3 years was agreed

for each trustee, as stated in the charity's constitution. At the end of a trustee's term of office, they may stand for re-appointment for a standard 2 year term.

Risk Management

To manage the risks faced by the charity, the trustees have put in place a number of policies covering topics including safeguarding, health and safety and data privacy. Procedures have been established to cover how asylum seekers may be referred to the charity and subsequently assessed for the suitability of living in the charity's accommodation. All residents agree to abide by the charity's rules and procedures for living in our accommodation. These include rules relating to living in a Covid-safe environment.

Summary of grants received

The following amounts were received during the year:

Sisters of the Holy Family of Bordeaux - £25,200 for accommodation and living costs
The Grail Community- £10,000 for energy costs and residents' allowances
National Lottery Fund - £8,604 for energy costs, fruit and veg, TV licences and insurance
Albert Hunt - £7,000 for energy costs and residents' allowances
Leeds Community Foundation - £6,504 for energy costs, fruit and veg, bus passes, gym
The Brelms Trust CIO - £5,000 for accommodation and living costs
Garfield Weston - £5,000 for 10% of projected costs
Church Homeless Trust - £3650 for energy costs and mobile phone top-ups
memberships and sports equipment
Allen Lane - £3,000 for accommodation
Lush - £2,000 for accomodation
Funding via Leeds Conversation Club - £880 for mobile phone top-ups



24th August 2022

Dr Gillian Tober
Chair of trustees

Date

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)**Statement of Financial Activities (prepared on a cash basis)
for the Year Period 1 July 2021 - 30 June 2022**

INCOME	June 2022 Restricted	June 2022 Unrestricted	June 2022 Total	June 2021 Total
<u>Grants and donations from charitable trusts</u>				
Albert Hunt	7,000		7,000	
Allen Lane	3,000		3,000	
Arnold Clark		1,000	1,000	
Brelms	5,000		5,000	
Church Homeless Trust	3,650		3,650	
Garfield Weston	5,000	5,000	5,000	
Garforth Refugee Group	320		320	
The Grail Community	10,000		10,000	
Leeds Community Foundation	6,504		6,504	
Leeds Conversation Club	720		720	1,280
Lush	2,000		2,000	
National Lottery Fund	8,604		8,604	
Sisters of the Holy Family of Bordeaux	25,200		25,200	2,800
Other				32,189
<u>Donations and fundraising</u>				
Donations eligible for gift aid		2,350	2,350	14,508
Other donations		1,023	1,023	3,039
<u>Other income</u>				
Gift aid reclaim		1,101	1,101	2,731
TOTAL	71,998	10,474	82,472	56,547
EXPENDITURE	June 2022 Restricted	June 2022 Unrestricted	June 2022 Total	June 2021 Total
<u>Properties and residents' expenditure</u>				
Rent and Landlords' costs	21,534		21,534	14,356
Weekly allowances and phone top ups	7,120	4,340	11,460	6,900
Bus passes and travel	2,454		2,454	
Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water)	4,273		4,273	3,485
Council tax	458		458	1,507
TV Licences	319		319	367
Resident fitness and welfare	574		574	
Other general expenses		216	216	487
<u>General expenses and one-off purchases</u>				
Equipment and appliances		50	50	1085
Set up expenses				282
Insurance		722	722	694
Organisation membership fees		60	60	60
	36,732	5,388	42,120	29,223
Net surplus	35,266	5,086	40,352	27,314

**Balance Sheet
at 30 June 2022**

	June 2022 £			June 2021 £
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	
Fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Current assets				
Cash at bank and in hand	52,361	15,305	67,666	27,314
Debtors	0	0	0	0
Net current assets	52,361	15,305	67,666	27,314
Creditors	0	0	0	0
Total assets less current liabilities	52,361	15,305	67,666	27,314
Net assets	52,361	15,305	67,666	27,314

**Reconciliation of movement of funds
to 30 June 2022**

Opening balance 1 July 2021	£
Opening balance 1 July 2021	27,314
Surplus of financial activities	40,352
Closing balance 30 June 2022	67,666

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEDAS

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30th June 2022, which are set out on pages 5 and 6.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records, or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of account 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.

SIGNED.....

DATE.....24TH SEPTEMBER 2022

NAMET.P.LAWLER BA(HONS), FCA

ADDRESS.....20 PARK WOOD CLOSE, SKIPTON, NORTH YORKSHIRE, BD23 1QW

QUALIFICATION OR BODY.....INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES
(RETIRED MEMBER)

LEEDS DESTITUTE ASYLUM-SEEKERS SUPPORT (LEDAS)

England & Wales - Charity number 1190001

Accounts

Leeds Destitute Asylum-Seekers Support
Charity Number 1190001

Annual Report and financial statements
for the period 18th June 2020 to 30th June 2021

LEDAS
Dignity in Destitution

**Leeds Destitute
Asylum-seekers
Support**

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)

Charity Information

DIRECTORS:	G Tober (Chair) S Brown J Willison (Secretary) T Pickles M Thornfield (Treasurer)
REGISTERED OFFICE:	20 Moss Gardens Leeds LS17 7BH
REGISTERED NUMBER:	1190001 (England and Wales)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:	T P Lawler

Trustees' report for the year ended 30 June 2021

Review of the year

This was our first year of operation as a charity, and we have achieved a considerable amount during the year.

We formed the charity to provide housing and support to destitute asylum-seekers with no recourse to public funds (NRPF) with the knowledge that as a result of the global pandemic, some of the previously available provision (night shelters and in-home hosting) would not be able to resume as the restrictions were lifted.

Soon after founding, we became aware of 8 destitute asylum seekers who had been provided with temporary accommodation as part of Leeds City Council's all-in programme, would need to find alternative accommodation provision before the end of November 2020.

These individuals were all NRPF asylum seekers – as a result they are not permitted to work, and have no entitlement to claim benefits. They are therefore at risk of becoming destitute / street-homeless.

Leeds City Council provided us with a one off grant payment through Public Health monies to support the prevention and spread of COVID-19 in the city during the height of the pandemic. This funding, of £16,000, came at a time when night shelter facilities were unable to operate due to the Public Health risks. Together with considerable practical support and assistance from Leeds City Council, we were able to locate, rent, furnish and prepare our two current houses. The grant covered the cost of rent and utility bills for the first few months, and this, together with the practical assistance, was instrumental in the charity being able to initiate its service provision.

One of our residents left the property during the year, and we were able to offer use of the vacant room to another destitute asylum seeker. The new resident was able to take up their place within just a few days of the previous resident leaving, and as a result during this year we have provided the equivalent of over 1,600 nights of accommodation.

Part of our aim is for the residents to be able to live with a sense of dignity. Towards this we are very grateful for the Orlander Trust who have paid for weekly deliveries of fresh fruit and vegetables for our residents, and to the Leeds Conversation Club, who have been able to arrange funding to cover the cost of a monthly telephone top-up for our residents. These two items have had a big impact on the quality of life of our residents.

We have also explored other opportunities for our residents to engage in the local community and develop self-supporting interests. For example, with the assistance of local project Growing Friendship, residents in one of the houses are now growing a selection of vegetables in the house's yard.

The charity has received further funding from other organisations (detailed below) and donations from a number of individuals over the year. We therefore leave the year with an active service and in a financially sound position.

The trustees wish to express their thanks to all those who have supported the charity over the year, whether financially, with donations of food, clothing or other items, or with offers of practical help and support.

Summary of current operations and activities

We commenced renting two 4-bedroom properties in Leeds at the end of November 2020. Since this date, we have been providing accommodation and services to 8 individual asylum seekers who would otherwise be street homeless.

Each of our residents has their own bedroom, and access to the other shared facilities in their house (kitchen, bathroom and living room). We provide basic food items, household consumables and a small weekly financial allowance.

As a result we are now providing a living environment which offers physical safety, the ability to observe appropriate levels of hygiene during the Covid pandemic, and the chance for our residents to live in dignity.

We have held weekly meetings with the residents and offered practical assistance and support. This has included assisting residents to attend medical appointments and encouraging the residents to avail themselves of the Covid-19 vaccines.

The other main activity undertaken by the trustees over the year were:

- fundraising, to cover the costs of running the charity
- looking for other potential accommodation providers – ideally benevolent landlords who would be willing to rent properties to us at below-market rates.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have decided that the charity should hold reserves equivalent to 3 months' forecast operating costs (£12,000).

Trustee appointments

The charity is run by the trustees with a small team of volunteers. It does not employ any staff.

The current trustees founded the charity. Trustees are normally to be appointed for a 2 year term. To provide for continuity, an initial term of office of between 1 and 3 years was agreed for each trustee, as stated in the charity's constitution. At the end of a trustee's term of office, they may stand for re-appointment for a standard 2 year term.

Risk Management

To manage the risks faced by the charity, the trustees have put in place a number of policies covering topics including safeguarding, health and safety and data privacy. Procedures have been established to cover how asylum seekers may be referred to the charity and subsequently assessed for the suitability of living in the charity's accommodation. All residents agree to abide by the charity's rules and procedures for living in our accommodation. These include rules relating to living in a Covid-safe environment.

Summary of grants received

Leeds City Council (Public Health) - £16,000 for initial costs of property, utilities and council tax

Scurrah Wainwright Charity - £5,382 for property costs

West Riding Masonic Charity - £819 for equipment and appliances

Orlander Trust - £1,000 for fresh fruit and vegetables

Sisters of the Holy Family of Bordeaux - £2,800 for living costs

Sisters of the Cross and Passion CIO - £7,072 for bus passes and travel

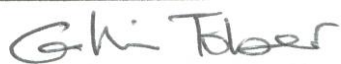
Funding via Leeds Conversation Club - £1,280 for mobile phone top-ups

Church Homeless Trust - £716 towards residents allowances

Hillards Charitable Trust - £1000 unrestricted

Leeds City Council (Mice money from counsellors) - £200 unrestricted.

The charity received donations from private donors and groups totalling £17,547.



Dr Gillian Tober
Chair of trustees

6th July 2021

Date

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of LEDAS

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2021, which are set out on pages 6 to 7.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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 charity'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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed: 

Date: 20th July 2021

Name: T P Lawler BA(Hons) FCA

Address: 20 Park Wood Close, Skipton, North Yorkshire, BD23 1QW

Qualification or body: Chartered Accountant, retired

LEDAS (Charity Number: 1190001)**Statement of Financial Activities (prepared on a cash basis)
for the Year Period 18 June 2020 - 30 June 2021**

INCOME	30/06/2021 Restricted	30/06/2021 Unrestricted	30/06/2021 Total
Grants and donations from charitable trusts			
Leeds City Council (All in programme)	16,000		16,000
Scurrah Wainwright Charity	5,382		5,382
West Riding Masonic Charity	819		819
Leeds Conversation Club	1,280		1,280
Church Homeless Trust	716		716
Orlander Trust	1,000		1,000
Sisters of the Holy Family of Bordeaux	2,800		2,800
Sisters of the Cross and Passion CIO	7,072		7,072
Hillards Charitable Trust		1,000	1,000
Leeds City Council (Councilor's MICE money)		200	200
Donations and fundraising			
Donations eligible for gift aid		14,508	14,508
Other donations		3,039	3,039
Other income			
Gift aid reclaim		2,731	2,731
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	35,069	21,478	56,547
EXPENDITURE	30/06/2021 Restricted	30/06/2021 Unrestricted	30/06/2021 Total
Property and residents' expenditure			
Rent and contribution to Landlords' costs	14,356		14,356
Residents' weekly allowances and expenses	3,200	3,700	6,900
Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water)	3,485		3,485
Council tax	1,507		1,507
TV Licences		367	367
Household consumables		267	267
General repairs and upkeep		230	230
General expenses and one-off purchases			
Equipment and appliances	816	269	1085
Set up expenses		282	282
Insurance		694	694
Organisation membership fees		60	60
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	23,364	5,869	29,233
Net surplus	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	11,705	15,610	27,314

**Balance Sheet
at 30 June 2021**

		30.4.2021
		£
Fixed Assets		0
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	27,314	
Debtors	0	
		<u>27,314</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>27,314</u>
Creditors	0	
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>27,314</u>
Net Assets		<u>27,314</u>