

Leeds Destitute Asylum-Seekers Support
Charity Number 1190001

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



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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



Dr Gillian Tober
Chair of trustees

24th August 2022

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

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