

THE WASHING MACHINE PROJECT FOUNDATION

Charity Registration No. 1193480

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the period ended 19 July 2022

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ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report together with the Financial Statements of the Washing Machine Project Foundation for the period ended 19 July 2022. The Financial Statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

OBJECTIVES ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCE

The Washing Machine Project Foundation (TWMPF) was incorporated as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 10th February 2021. The charity funds activities to provide relief from financial need or suffering amongst victims of war or natural or other kinds of disaster, trouble or catastrophe. The Foundation focuses on funding organisations to undertake research, develop and deploy practical solutions to everyday problems.

Since inception, the charity has secured funding of £185,494 to support its objectives. The funds are the direct result of fund raising from primarily corporate sources, with smaller individual giving also adding to this amount. Funds have been used for the purposes explained in the Impact of Funding section of this report. This initial period of activity has been focused on setting up the required processes, policies and procedures to ensure the appropriate distribution of funds in line with the charity's objects.

Fundraising Activities

Corporate Partnerships

The majority of funds have been received through the foundation's three year Strategic Partnership with the RS Group, an global omni-channel solutions partner for industrial customers and suppliers, agreed in April 2021. This partnership includes encouraging the Group's employees, customers and suppliers to contribute through fundraising and volunteering activities. To 19 July 2022 a total of £142,733 had been raised through this partnership. Other Corporate partnerships are under discussion to further support the foundation's work.

Just Giving

Individuals and smaller organisations are also able to support the activity of TWMPF through it's Just Giving webpage. This method has also been used by groups of staff from RS Group to deposit smaller funds from their individual or site specific fundraising activity. Receipts from Just Giving total £34,621 for the period to 19 July 2022.

GRANT MAKING

In this initial period of operations, there has been one main recipient of funds. The Washing Machine Project CIC is an organisation set up to alleviate the burden of hand washing clothes in refugee camps and low and middle-income countries. The CIC has developed (and now deployed) an affordable off-grid manual crank washing machine, the Divya. It is the only machine of its kind to be developed for humanitarian purposes and requires no electricity to operate. Handwashing clothes is recognised as being a major barrier to education for low-income and displaced people around the world, disproportionately impacts women and children. This repetitive, demanding task, which can take upwards of 20 hours per week, often also leads to chronic back and joint pain.

The Trustees are expecting this relationship with the CIC to continue into the next Financial Year, due to the corporate relationship with RS Components. The Foundation will also be examining how to broaden activity as new corporate partnerships are developed.

Impact of Funding

Through the funding and support given from the Foundation to the CIC the following impacts have occurred in the reporting period.

Research and Development:

Research: We have supported the CIC to carry out research into the clothes washing needs of communities in Cameroon, India, Jordan, Kenya, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, and Vanuatu.

Development of Divya 1.55: TWMP CIC aimed to design a manual washing machine that could use a high-volume batch manufacturing method, allowing for rapid expansion of impact. However, due to funding constraints, the focus changed to meeting customers' immediate needs by iterating on the existing Divya 1.5 model. With the available funding, TWMP CIC made slight iterative improvements to Divya 1.5 and engaged with Bristol University for further testing.

Corby Build and Distribution: TWMP CIC partnered with RS Group to manufacture 30 Divya 1.55 washing machines using RS employees, based on the successful build in Newport at the end of 2021. The build involved 300 RS employees, and despite challenges in securing stock and global supply chain issues, the build was completed successfully.

Deployment of Humanitarian Solutions

Lebanon Distribution:

30 machines were distributed in Lebanon to support (predominantly) Syrian refugees through a partnership with Urda Foundation. This includes user research into the machine use and design.

Iraq Distribution:

32 Divya 1.5 washing machines were purchased by Care International Iraq and were distributed in the Mamrasham IDP camp. TWMP CIC joined the distribution to Mamrashan IDP Camp in Kurdistan, Northern Iraq. The machines were distributed to Yazidi IDPs, focusing on female-headed households and households with members with disabilities. The distribution was split into two days (15 washing machines distributed each day), and TWMP CIC and Care International staff assisted with assembly and training sessions to ensure optimal use.

Uganda Distribution:

Of the 32 machines produced in Corby, 21 were distributed in Uganda at two locations: 20 at Sserinya Primary School and one with the Change Makers Community Group in the Kira Municipality slum. The distribution provided essential support to these communities and demonstrated the effectiveness of the Divya 1.55 washing machines.

FUTURE PLANS

The Foundation will continue to support the Washing Machine Project CIC through its continued strategic partnership with RS Group. We look forward to expanding our impact further in the coming year, with the continued development of Divya 1.65 and additional distributions planned. Future projects are expected to include a program to create a community launderette in Nairobi Kenya in April 2023.

In the next financial year, the Foundation will be seeking additional Trustees to enhance its marketing and corporate partnership activity.

The Washing Machine Project Foundation is grateful for the support of its partners, volunteers, and donors during the reporting period. The combined efforts of the Foundation, The Washing Machine Project CIC, RS Group, and other partners have enabled the successful development, production, and distribution of Divya 1.5 and 1.55 washing machines to communities in need.

The Foundation will continue to focus on research, development, and deployment of practical solutions to everyday problems, helping individuals and communities affected by war, natural disasters, and other catastrophes.

GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Foundation has no staff and therefore its everyday activities are managed by the Trustees. Trustees have been recruited for their various areas of expertise (Engineering, Research, Financial, Business operations and Charity Governance). Future recruitment will be through open processes, again recruiting against needs of the Foundation at the given time. The Trustees have been meeting on a regular basis throughout this set up period, with changes in the Board due to changes in personal circumstances.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the reporting period, The Washing Machine Project Foundation received a total of £185,494 in donations. The funds came from two main sources: through corporate donations, including a strategic partnership with the RS Group, and from individuals through its Just Giving page. Grants to TWMP CIC amounted to £88,500. Net receipts in the period were £93,226, whilst total assets were £93,226, all cash in the bank.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees:

Judith Stewart (Chair from September 2020 - April 2021 and then December 2022 to date)

Avtar Singh Boparai (appointed September 2020)

Dario Canini (resigned April 2023)

Robert Gosling (Chair until resignation in September 2022)

Jon Nicholls (appointed September 2020)

Oliver Walton (appointed September 2020)

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Approved by the Trustees on 17th May 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Judith Stewart
Chairperson

The Washing Machine Project Foundation

Independent Examiner's Report for the Period ended 19 July 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Washing Machine Project Foundation ("the Foundation") for the period ended 19 July 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity trustees of the Foundation you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Foundation or
- 2) The accounts do not accord with those accounting records.

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.

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Dated: 17th May 2023

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 19 JULY 2022

	Unrestric- ted General Funds £ 2022	Total Funds £ 2022
RECEIPTS		
Donations	185,494	185,494
Total Receipts	<u>185,494</u>	<u>185,494</u>
PAYMENTS		
Grants	88,500	88,500
Legal Fees	2,676	2,676
Insurance	730	730
Website	249	249
Board meeting	113	113
Total Payments	<u>92,268</u>	<u>92,268</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)	93,226	93,226
Fund Balance brought forward	-	-
Fund Balance carried forward	<u>93,226</u>	<u>93,226</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 19 JULY 2022

	2022 £
Current Assets	
Cash at bank	93,226
Total Assets	<u>93,226</u>

Judith Stewart on behalf of the Trustees 17th May 2023

Notes to the accounts for the period ended 19 July 2022

1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

2. Funds

General funds are unrestricted funds available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further the charity's purposes and which have not been designated for any other purpose.

3. Grants

Grants were payments to the Washing Machine Project CIC for use in developing washing machines that can be used in humanitarian situations such as refugee camps where electricity and water are in short supply.

4. Trustees remuneration and expenses

No remuneration was paid to trustees. Expenses in connection with a Board meeting were reimbursed to one trustee.

5. Related Party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the period.