



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/01/2023

To 31/12/2023

Charity name: UK Chinese Women Connect Association

Charity registration number: 1193654

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The promotion of social inclusion for the public benefit among women in the Chinese community who are socially excluded on the grounds of their ethnic original and social position.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	- A network that encourages and enables women in the Chinese community to reduce isolation and loneliness and to participate more effectively with the wider community. - Workshops and general support to women in the Chinese community, including upskilling community members to improve employability and personal development.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	It is confirmed that the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	Albeit a young charity, UKCWC has achieved great success since its launch. - Social impact: 200+ online events held during pandemic to empower people, and continuing various online events in the year. - Social inclusion: 800+ Chinese women actively engaged in the network and over 5,000 followers through social media. - Empowerment: 12 interests groups established to connect people; - Held UKCWC Annual Awards - Chinese Woman Awards for two years; - Hosted 6 free community events with the support of Cambridge City Council in 2023; - Hosted free series coaching workshops for mums in the year; - Collaboration with Avoice to offer Chinese women living outside of China suffering from domestic violence to seek legal help; - Collaboration with other Chinese communities such as Redwood Academy, Cambridge Chinese Community Centre and alumni groups of universities; - Collaboration with other Asian communities such as Southeast and East Asian Women's Association; - Campaigns including marathons and Three-Peak challenges organised by our volunteers to raise awareness and funding for the charity; - Shortlisted as Charity of the Year by British Diversity Awards in 2022 and 2023; - Supported the Prince's Trust to organise the Brilliant Breakfast at three locations: London, Cambridge, and Glasgow; - Organised two Parties in Peterborough and Cambridge to celebrate the King's coronation.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has £28,039 unrestricted cash funds as at 31 December 2023.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity has decided that holding reserves is unnecessary, i.e. holding zero reserves.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£nil
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Whilst we have not provided for a compulsory reserves amount, the charity adopts a very conservative approach on its spending and does reserve its cash position so there is always sufficient funds available. We will continue to monitor the situation and adjust our reserves policy as required going forward. The reason of holding zero reserves is that the charity does not have committed projects, paid staff, or buildings/properties, and therefore all reserves are reported under unrestricted funds.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The vacancies may be filled by the decision of the members at the annual general meeting; if not filled at the annual general meeting, the members or the charity trustees may at any time decide to appoint a new charity trustee.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	UK Chinese Women Connect Association
Other name the charity uses	UKCWC
Registered charity number	1193654
Charity's principal address	7 Signet Court, Swann Road, Cambridge. CB5 8LA

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Qun Yang			
2	Mengting Shen			
3	Yinan Zhu			
4	Faustina Yang			
5	Wenjiao Wu			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
	Ting Zhang	
	Mei Sim Lai	
	Sheela Mackintosh-Stewart	
	Xiaolan Fu	

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

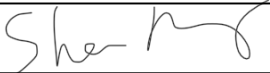
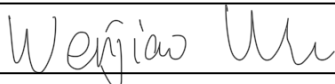
Other optional information

N/A

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Mengting Shen	Wenjiao Wu
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Treasurer

Date	15/10/2024
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
UK CHINESE WOMEN CONNECT ASSOCIATION

No (if any)
1193654

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/01/2023

To

Period end date
31/12/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fundraising Income	2,656		-	2,656	825
Grants	8,600		-	8,600	7,754
Activity Income	8,852		-	8,852	18,408
				-	
				-	
				-	
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	20,108	-	-	20,108	26,987
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	20,108	-	-	20,108	26,987
A3 Payments					
website	53	-	-	53	556
IT software	659	-	-	659	713
Activity expenses	17,784	-	-	17,784	6,013
Insurance	137	-	-	137	128
Professional fees	1,146	-	-	1,146	30
Sundry	340	-	-	340	156
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,119	-	-	20,119	7,596
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,119	-	-	20,119	7,596
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 11	-	-	- 11	19,391
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 11	-	-	- 11	19,391

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank balance at 1 Jan 2023	28,050	-	-
	net income during 2023	- 11	-	-
	Bank balance at 31 Dec 2023	28,039	-	-
	Total cash funds	28,039	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Wenjiao Wu	Wenjiao WU	13/10/2024
		Shen Mengting	Mengting Shen	13/10/2024