



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 30/09/2022 To 30/09/2023

Charity name: Compassion Network UK

Charity registration number: 1194141

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the Christian faith throughout Wales and the UK for the benefit of the public mainly but not exclusively through the holding of prayer meetings, religious education and to provide outreach and pastoral care for the community.
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	We had the privilege of hosting several Dynamic Church Planting International (DCPI) seminars. These events were instrumental in training church leaders on effective and strategic methods for planting new churches. By equipping leaders with essential tools and knowledge, we aimed to foster growth and revitalization in communities throughout Europe, aligning with our Arise 2033 goal to plant and revitalize 100 churches by next year. The seminars were well-attended and received positive feedback, with participants feeling better prepared to undertake the complex task of church planting. We have implemented a comprehensive training program that focuses on equipping individuals with essential leadership skills and qualities. These classes serve as a platform for community members, including business professionals and church leaders, to come together, learn, and share insights. We create a safe space for individuals seeking counselling and support. Our goal is to foster a setting where individuals can freely express their emotions, concerns, and challenges, knowing that they will be met with empathy, understanding, and confidentiality. We organise and prioritise the development and well-being of our church leaders by

	holding weekly and monthly meetings. These sessions offer a safe and friendly environment for leaders to share their common problems, find encouragement, and find relief. We believe in the importance of regular prayer, which is an important element of our meetings since it builds our bond with God and with one another. Furthermore, we focus on strategic growth and training to ensure that our leaders have the tools and resources they need to do their jobs successfully. We establish a community of care and support, fostering both personal and collective growth. "The Link Coffee House" continues to be a cornerstone of our community outreach efforts. It serves as a vital hub where we address the needs of both the youth and elderly in our community. Over countless cups of coffee, we have been able to build relationships, offer support, and create a safe, peaceful environment for all who enter. Recognizing the significant relational needs within our community, we introduced a monthly free breakfast program. This initiative has been especially impactful, providing not just nourishment but also companionship and support to those experiencing isolation or hardship. The breakfasts are open to everyone, fostering a sense of inclusivity and community spirit. In response to the urgent needs of those facing hardship, we have been distributing emergency packs containing warm gloves, socks, toiletry items, and other essential supplies. These packs have been a lifeline for many, particularly during the colder months, ensuring that those in our community have access to necessities. Through our food distribution program, we have been able to support the nutritional needs of both our church family and the wider community, including the homeless population in Bridgend. This initiative has been crucial in addressing food insecurity and providing consistent, reliable access to healthy meals. This year, we also held a one-time Women's Conference aimed at increasing the faith of women in the South Wales region. The event was designed to empower women and equip them with the tools to cultivate healthy relationships. The
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		response was overwhelmingly positive, with many participants expressing renewed faith and stronger connections within their communities. Simultaneously, we organized a Men's Conference where we celebrated the wondrous occasion of the king's inauguration. This conference not only focused on strengthening the faith of the men in our community but also created a space for celebration and unity during this historic event. The conference provided valuable training and support, fostering stronger, healthier relationships among the men in attendance. Our ongoing efforts at "The Link Coffee House" and through our various outreach programs have not only met immediate needs but also fostered a sense of community and belonging. The space has become a sanctuary for many, offering a respite from the challenges of daily life and a place where they can find support and companionship. We are committed to continuing these efforts and expanding our reach to serve even more individuals in need.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We confirm that Compassion Network UK's trustees have had regard to the charity commission's guidance 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		

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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	Church Planting Initiatives Compassion Network UK has made significant progress in expanding and revitalizing church communities through Dynamic Church Planting International (DCPI) seminars. These seminars trained leaders on effective church planting strategies, supporting our wider goal to plant and revitalize 100 churches in Europe by 2033. Community Outreach at "The Link Coffee House" "The Link Coffee House" has served as a central hub for our community outreach, providing a safe and peaceful environment for the youth and elderly. Over cups of coffee, we built relationships, offered support, and created a sanctuary for those in need. The space has become integral to our mission, offering a haven for individuals seeking respite and companionship. Monthly Free Breakfasts Our monthly free breakfast program addressed significant relational needs within our community. This initiative provided nourishment and companionship to those experiencing isolation or hardship, fostering a sense of inclusivity and community spirit. Emergency Packs Distribution We distributed emergency packs containing essential items such as warm gloves, socks, and toiletries to individuals facing hardship. These packs have been a lifeline, particularly during the colder months, ensuring access to necessities. Food Distribution Our food distribution program addressed food insecurity by providing consistent, reliable access to healthy meals for both our church family and the wider community, including the homeless population in Bridgend. Women's and Men's Conferences We held a Women's Conference aimed at increasing the faith of women in the South Wales region, empowering them to cultivate healthy relationships. Additionally, we organized a Men's Conference, celebrating the king's inauguration and focusing on

		strengthening the faith of men in our community. Christmas at Compassion In December 2023, with the help of community funding, we prepared for "Christmas at Compassion," an event designed to bring joy and support to our community during the festive season and contributing to the financial sustainability of our charity. Financial Overview For the financial year ending 30 September 2023, Compassion Network UK reported a total income of £10,640 from grants and a total expenditure of £1,100 on charitable activities. This resulted in a net income of £9,540 for the period, significantly enhancing our financial position and enabling us to expand our outreach and support efforts. Impact on Beneficiaries and Wider Society Our initiatives have profoundly impacted the lives of our beneficiaries by providing essential support, fostering a sense of community, and addressing both immediate and long-term needs. Our efforts have not only improved the circumstances of individuals within our community but also contributed to wider societal benefits by promoting inclusivity, reducing isolation, and enhancing overall well-being.
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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	Compassion Network UK has demonstrated a stable and promising financial position for the year ending 30 September 2023. The charity's financial health is underscored by a total income of £10,640 from grants, with total expenditure on charitable activities amounting to £1,100. This has resulted in a net income of £9,540 for the period, significantly enhancing our financial standing. The balance sheet reflects total assets of £12,881, including tangible assets valued at £5,650 and current assets comprising £3,143 in debtors and £4,088 in cash at the bank and in hand. The fund balances carried forward stand at £9,640, a substantial increase from the previous year's. Compassion Network UK's financial stability is expected to continue as we implement strategic changes in project planning and execution. We aim to solicit more financial partners and engage in projects that can attract additional funding. This proactive approach ensures that we can sustain and expand our charitable activities, furthering our mission to support and uplift our community. The charity's financial management and resource allocation have been effectively overseen, as confirmed by the Independent Examiner's unqualified report. There were no material issues identified in the examination, affirming that the accounting records are in accordance with the applicable requirements and regulations. In summary, Compassion Network UK's financial position at the end of the period is strong, providing a solid foundation for future growth and the continued success of our initiatives. This financial stability enables us to enhance our impact, support more beneficiaries, and contribute to wider societal benefits.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Compassion Network UK does not currently have a documented policy on reserves. Hence, all available reserves are held in Compassion Network UK's bank account and will be allocated to the needs of the charity including; planned activities, events, services, allowances etc. in order of priority and degree of importance as

		deemed by the charity trustees and finance officer. At the point where we can attain substantial financial income resulting in significant reserves, the trustees and relevant executives will agree on an adequate policy / system to appropriate the charities reserves.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Account Balance on 30 September 2023 is £9,640
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
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	There are no uncertainties about the charity in this regard.

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	The principal sources of funds for Compassion Network UK include a combination of secured funding and in-kind donations. A significant majority of our income is derived from these sources, enabling us to sustain and expand our charitable activities. Our fundraising efforts have also contributed to our financial stability, ensuring that we can continue to provide vital services to the communities we serve.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Compassion Network UK aims to ensure the prudent management of its financial resources to support the long-term sustainability and growth of our charitable activities. Our investment policy and objectives are designed to balance the need for income generation with the preservation of capital, while also aligning with our ethical and social values. The primary objective of our investment policy is to generate a stable and reliable income stream to support our programs and services, while preserving and, where possible, growing the capital base.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Compassion Network UK is committed to ethical investing. We avoid investments in industries and companies that conflict with our mission and values, such as those involved in tobacco, arms manufacturing, or activities that harm the environment. We strive to make investments that not only provide financial returns but also generate positive social and environmental impact. This includes investments in renewable energy projects, social enterprises, and

		companies with strong environmental, social, and governance practices. We regularly monitor our investment portfolio to ensure compliance with our policy and objectives. We also report on the financial performance and social impact of our investments to our stakeholders annually. Through this investment strategy, Compassion Network UK aims to uphold our commitment to financial responsibility, ethical standards, and social impact, ensuring that our resources are used to further our mission and benefit the communities we serve.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		Constitution: CIO - FOUNDATION Registered 19 April 2021
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	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	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of two years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. Trustee tenures are renewed where necessary based on unanimous vote by existing trustees.

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	Compassion Network UK
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Other name the charity uses	Compassion (working name), Compassion Café (working name), The Link Coffee House (working name), Compassion Church (working name), Compassion Coffee House (working name), Compassion Internship (working name)
Registered charity number	1194141
Charity's principal address	77A Nolton Street BRIDGEND Mid Glamorgan CF31 3AE

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	Eniola Isaacs	Trustee	Whole Year	
2	Rev Harold Presley	Trustee	Whole Year	
3	Scott Hampton	Trustee	Whole Year	
4	Derrick Gardner	Trustee	Whole Year	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Rev. Christopher L Turner	Whole Year	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)	Signed by: 	Signed by: 
	26B6E669873D4CD... Christopher L. Turner	Scott Hampton
Full name(s)	Christopher L. Turner	Scott Hampton
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary
Date	30/07/2024	30/07/2024

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Independent Examiners Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 September 2023

Compassion Network UK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S UNQUALIFIED REPORT UNINCORPORATED CHARITY

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Compassion Network UK ('the charity') for the year ended 30 September 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes. This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- a) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- b) the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- c) the financial statements do 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 financial statements to be reached.

Mr. Robert Thomas BSc FCA
R.H. Jeffs & Rowe
Chartered Accountants
27/28 Gelliwasted Road
Pontypridd
CF37 2BW

Date: 7 March 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 September 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total year to 30/09/23	Total year to 30/09/22
		£	£	£	£
Income & Endowments					
Grants	3	-	10,640	10,640	-
Total Income & Endowments		-	10,640	10,640	-
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	4	110	990	1,100	-
Total Expenditure		110	990	1,100	-
Movement in total funds for the year:					
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the Period	5	(110)	9,650	9,540	-
Fund Balances brought forward		100	-	100	100
Fund Balances carried forward		(10)	9,650	9,640	100

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Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2023

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	7		5,650		-
Current Assets					
Debtors	8	3,143		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		4,088		100	
		<u>7,231</u>		<u>100</u>	
Net Current assets			<u>7,231</u>		<u>100</u>
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			<u>12,881</u>		<u>100</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted Funds			(10)		100
Restricted Funds			9,650		-
Designated Fund: Building Fund			-		-
			<u>9,640</u>		<u>100</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on and signed on its behalf by

C. Turner

On

7 March 2024

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