TELFORD AND WREKIN INTERFAITH COUNCIL

England & Wales · Charity number 1195197

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2021-07-16
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO, TO BE CARRIED OUT IN TELFORD AND WREKIN, ARE:1) THE PROMOTION OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY:A) THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF RACE, GENDER, DISABILITY , SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR RELIGION; B) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS IN EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY; C) PROMOTING ACTIVITIES TO FOSTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN PEOPLE FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS; D) CULTIVATING A SENTIMENT IN FAVOUR OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY. 2) THE PROMOTION OF RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS HARMONY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC BY PROMOTING COMMUNICATION AND GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN PERSONS OF DIFFERENT RACES AND FAITHS AND PROMOTING KNOWLEDGE AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND RESPECT OF THE BELIEFS AND PRACTICES OF DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS FAITHS. 3) THE RELIEF OF PEOPLE WHO ARE IN NEED BY REASON OF THEIR AGE, ILL-HEALTH, DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN SUCH WAYS AND BY SUCH MEANS AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL DETERMINE.

Activities: The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by:a) Elimination of discrimination on the grounds of race, gender, disability, sexual orientation or religionb) Advancing education and raising

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awareness in equality and diversityc) Promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse Backgroundsd) Cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- Telford & Wrekin

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£329,975	£261,042	-	-
2024-05-31	£209,930	£160,695	-	-
2023-05-31	£253,596	£169,076	-	-
2022-05-31	£269,137	£176,372	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Cllr Rajash Mehta	Chair	2020-04-23
Julie Ward		2020-10-22
Kirpa Dass		2022-07-19
Rupali Sudhir Dhatt		2020-10-22

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Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1195197

Report of the Trustees and

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 May 2025

for

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Wesley Pemberton LLP
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for the Year Ended 31 May 2025

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The aim of to CIO is to help eradicate inequalities within our community, and to promote diversity and inclusion within the Borough of Telford and Wrekin, and to ensure that Unity stays within our Community.

To achieve this our objectives are:

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a) the elimination of discrimination on the grounds of race, gender, disability, sexual

orientation or religion;

b) advancing education and raising awareness in equality and diversity;

c) promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds;

d) cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity.

2. The promotion of racial and religious harmony for the benefit of the public by promoting communication and good relations between persons of different races and faiths and promoting knowledge and mutual understanding and respect of the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths.

3. The relief of people who are in need by reason of their age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or social circumstances in such ways and by such means as the trustees shall determine.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

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Ms J Ward
Ms R Dhatt
Mr K Dass

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Main Activities

Over the past 12 months, our organisation has acted as a critical architect for social harmony across the Borough. In an increasingly complex social landscape, we have been at the front lines of **conflict resolution and cultural mediation**, proactively resolving misunderstandings before they can divide our neighbourhoods. We don't just "bring people together" - we create a resilient, unified front that transcends ethnic, religious, and social boundaries.

This year, our influence reached a new zenith as our membership surged to **over 50 Faith, Cultural, and Community Groups**. This powerful coalition represents a collective heartbeat of tens of thousands of residents, all united by a singular, unwavering mandate: to protect and promote **'Unity within the Community.'** By leveraging this unprecedented network, we ensure that help reaches the most vulnerable, proving that our diversity is not just a characteristic of our town, but its greatest strength.

Below is a summary of our major activities during these past 12 months:

The Gold Standard of Service: The King's Award for Voluntary Service (KAVS)

We are profoundly honoured to announce that our organisation has been' bestowed the 'King's Award for Voluntary Service (KAVS)', the highest accolade a voluntary group can receive in the UK. This prestigious recognition serves as a definitive validation of our mission to weave a stronger social fabric across Telford and Wrekin. The award highlights the extraordinary dedication of our volunteers, who serve as the heartbeat of our operations-from the interfaith teams delivering 150,000 meals to those leading Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion workshops for over 1,000 local students. This "MBE for volunteer groups" reflects the tireless hours spent by our members in bridging cultural divides and ensuring that no resident, regardless of their background, is left behind in times of crisis.

The true impact of our organisation, however, is measured not just in awards, but in the visible transformation of our community's resilience. By mobilizing over 40 diverse faith and community groups under a single banner of unity, we have created a rapid-response network capable of tackling systemic issues like food poverty and social isolation with unprecedented scale. Whether it is the 50,000 people brought together through our multicultural festivals or the 2,000+ children reached by our Interfaith Santa, our volunteers prove daily that diversity is our greatest strength. This award belongs to every individual who gave their time to turn "misunderstanding" into "membership," proving that a united community is a sustainable one.

Crisis Intervention: Out-of-Hours Emergency Food Service

In response to the escalating cost-of-living crisis, our emergency food provision has become a critical lifeline. Supported by Telford and Wrekin Council and a network of generous donors, we reached over 10,000 residents this year.

-**Logistical Excellence** : We managed a complex system of collections and deliveries to ensure accessibility for all.

-**Total Impact**: Distributed **8,857** emergency parcels, providing a staggering **149,985** meals to those in acute need.

Education and Community Cohesion

We believe that long-term unity is built through education and shared experience. Our engagement strategy targets both the next generation and the wider public:

-**The Next Generation**: We delivered Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) workshops to over **1,000** students in primary and secondary schools, fostering empathy and understanding in our future leaders.

-**Mass Participation**: In collaboration with partners like the RAF Museum Midlands, the local Borough Council, and local community groups, we hosted a number of major events throughout the year, including; The Telford Carnival, Black History Month, the RAF Museum Midlands, and The Multi-Cultural Lights Festival. These celebrations saw a combined attendance of over **50,000** people, strengthening regional identity and bringing people of all backgrounds and ages together in celebration of ou r diverse communities.

-**Essential Services**: We leveraged our Community Hub to host the NHS and Citizens Advice (CAB), providing localised access to blood pressure monitoring, vaccinations, police surgeries, and legal support.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Building Resilience: Budgeting and Cooking Courses

To address the root causes of financial hardship, we provided residents with the tools for self-sufficiency.

-**Skills for Life** : Our Hub hosted intensive courses on debt management and low-cost and healthy cooking.

-**Early Intervention** : A strategic partnership focused on NEET youth (those not in education, employment, or training) helped young people gain vital financial literacy early, preventing future cycles of poverty.

Seasonal Intervention: The Mobile Santa Grotto

Our flagship seasonal project reached another milestone this year, engaging **2,000+ children** through our unique Mobile Grotto. This interfaith initiative - delivered in partnership with Balfour Beatty and local authorities - is a vital tool for social inclusion during the festive period. This year, our impact was measured by more than just smiles; we provided over **1,220 gifts and selection boxes** specifically targeting families in deep financial uncertainty. By ensuring that so many of the borough's most vulnerable children received a significant gift, we successfully mitigated the emotional impact of poverty during a time of y ear when social isolation is most felt.

An 'Interfaith Christmas': Unity in Action

While most were at home, over **50 dedicated volunteers** from the diverse faith communities of the T&W Interfaith Council spent their Christmas Day in service of the vulnerable. Together, we prepared and **delivered 250+ hot, nutritious Christmas meals** to homeless shelters, isolated elderly residents, and families in crisis across the Borough. Beyond deliveries, our Community Hub opened its doors for a flagship sit-down dinner, ensuring that no one had to spend the day in loneliness. This project is the ultimate expression of our mission: individuals from all backgrounds coming together to provide dignity, warmth, and a 'holiday smile' to those in the greatest need.

The 'Easter Smile' Campaign: Five Years of Community Kindness

Now in its landmark fifth year, our 'Easter Smile' campaign has become a symbol of hope and community spirit across the borough. Driven by the Board of Trustees and fueled by an outpouring of public generosity, we successfully collected and distributed **over 650 Easter Eggs** to vulnerable children and struggling families. This project transcends a simple gift; it is about ensuring that every child, regardless of their family's financial circumstances, feels the joy of the season. The success of this campaign is a testament to the trust the public places in our organisation to deliver direct, heartfelt impact where it is needed most.

Finance: Funding, Donation and Grants

Funding and donations for 24/25 financial year have been received from several sources, including:

-Telford and Wrekin Council
-Heart of England
-Severn Trent
-West Mercia Police
-Groundworks
-Bournville
-Veolia
-Albert Hunt
-Local Parish and Ward Councils
-Plus, donations from so many wonderful individuals and businesses

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 2 April 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Cllr R Mehta - Trustee

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 May 2025

	Notes	31.5.25 Unrestricted fund £	31.5.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		329,452	206,297
Other trading activities	2	523	3,633
Total		329,975	209,930
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	158,358	94,932
Other		102,684	65,763
Total		261,042	160,695
NET INCOME		68,933	49,235
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		290,684	241,449
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		359,617	290,684

The notes form part of these financial statements

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Balance Sheet
31 May 2025

	Notes	31.5.25 Unrestricted fund £	31.5.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	6	264,481	264,481
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		95,136	26,203
NET CURRENT ASSETS		95,136	26,203
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		359,617	290,684
NET ASSETS		359,617	290,684
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		359,617	290,684
TOTAL FUNDS		359,617	290,684

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 2 April 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

R Mehta - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments
Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.5.25	31.5.24
	£	£
Other revenue	-	2,300
Interest income	523	1,333
	523	3,633

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3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.5.25	31.5.24
	£	£
Support costs	158,358	94,932

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 May 2025 nor for the year ended 31 May 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 May 2025 nor for the year ended 31 May 2024.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	206,297
Other trading activities	3,633
Total	209,930
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	94,932
Other	65,763
Total	160,695
NET INCOME	49,235
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	241,449
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	290,684

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 June 2024 and 31 May 2025	226,733	34,000	3,748	264,481
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 May 2025	226,733	34,000	3,748	264,481
At 31 May 2024	226,733	34,000	3,748	264,481

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.6.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	290,684	68,933	359,617
TOTAL FUNDS	290,684	68,933	359,617

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	329,975	(261,042)	68,933
TOTAL FUNDS	329,975	(261,042)	68,933

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.6.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	241,449	49,235	290,684
TOTAL FUNDS	241,449	49,235	290,684

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	209,930	(160,695)	49,235
TOTAL FUNDS	209,930	(160,695)	49,235

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.6.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	241,449	118,168	359,617
TOTAL FUNDS	241,449	118,168	359,617

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	539,905	(421,737)	118,168
TOTAL FUNDS	539,905	(421,737)	118,168

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 May 2025.

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 May 2025

	31.5.25 £	31.5.24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	54,561	53,623
Grants	250,342	120,921
Hire cost	24,549	31,753
	329,452	206,297
Other trading activities		
Other revenue	-	2,300
Interest income	523	1,333
	523	3,633
Total incoming resources	329,975	209,930
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
Charitable activities	99,459	63,188
Light & heat	3,105	2,575
Staff training	120	-
	102,684	65,763
Support costs		
Management		
Rent	590	11,565
Insurance	1,612	1,062
Motor expenses	9,989	5,547
Telephone	477	377
Postage and stationery	10	6,257
Advertising	6,282	199
Repairs & maintenance	121,640	52,669
Consultancy	13,780	14,134
	154,380	91,810
Finance		
Bank charges	-	25
Information technology		
Computer costs	3,978	3,097
Total resources expended	261,042	160,695
Net income	68,933	49,235

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Main Activities

During the past 12 months we have been able to continue to support the local communities in resolving issues relating to cultural differences and misunderstandings, and bringing people together to help those in need irrespective of their backgrounds. Our membership has grown to over forty Faith, Cultural, and Community Groups, who have the same goal of continuing our efforts of keeping 'Unity' with the 'Community'.

Below is a summary of our major activities during these past 12 months:

Building Purchase of 19 New Street

After many years of renting out the property in Wellington, we have been able to purchase the building. This means that we can be secure in delivering much needed services to our local community for many years to come. Over the years we have received a number of grants that have helped us transform the building from a commercial shoe shop to a fully functioning community hub. The community hub is utilised by many community groups and organisations, and is also a designated 'Safe Space' for vulnerable people. We also provide shower facilities to the homeless community, working with many other amazing organisations to help those in the greatest of need. Most of our activities below are run from our Community Hub, and will now continue into the future.

Out of Hours Emergency Food Service

During the past year we continues to provide Emergency Food Parcels to families and individuals in need. These continue to be a mix of collections and deliveries. Our on-going grant from Telford and Wrekin Council allowed us to continue our Out of Hours service,

We have also received donations of food and goods from multiple donors which have helped us support over 10,000 residents within the Telford and Wrekin Borough.

During this past 12 months we have delivered the following:

8,866 Emergency Food Parcels distributed

132,990 meals provided

Community Engagement

During the previous 12 months, we have had the pleasure of working with many groups to help bring diversity and inclusion to all members of the community.

We work with organisations such as the NHS and local authorities to bring different projects into the local town, including Blood Pressure Monitoring, Vaccines, CAB, and other services.

We have been able to go into local primary and secondary Schools during the past 12 months to deliver Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion workshops to over 1,000 students, to help them to better understand the diverse world around them.

We were also able to hold several events in collaboration with organisations such as the Telford and Wrekin Council (putting on a Carnival Event) as well as the RAF Museum in Cosford (Diversity event). Both events were extremely successful with thousands of visitors to both events.

Budgeting and Cooking Courses

During the financial year we received funding to deliver a budgeting and cooking courses to help families and individuals better manage their finances and learn how to cook on a budget.. We opened up our Community Hub to residents around the borough who were struggling with debt, money management or lack of cooking skills.

We also worked with a local organisation working with young people who fit into the NEET category. This collaboration meant that we could help young people gain these skills early, therefore helping to prevent future issues.

Interfaith Santa

With the support of the Telford and Wrekin Council, Balfour Beatty, and many volunteers we were able to deliver our Mobile Santa Grotto to the streets of Telford and Wrekin during the weeks leading up to Christmas.

This is now the fourth year that we have been able to bring our Interfaith Father Christmas to the children of the Borough. Overall, it is estimated that 2,000+ children experienced the Mobile Grotto during Dec 2023.

We also delivered over 1,000 Selection Boxes to vulnerable children during that time.

We were able to provided over 300 presents to children who would otherwise not receive very much or anything at all due to financial uncertainty that is affecting many families across the borough.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Christmas Day Meals

On Christmas Day 2023, we prepared and delivered hot Christmas meals to over 200 vulnerable adults, many of whom were placed in homeless shelters around the Telford and Wrekin Borough, as well as elderly individuals,couples, and families who were struggling. We were also able to hold a sit-down meal at our community Hub for those who wanted some company on the day. We provided additional treats to add an extra smile to those we served.
Over 50 volunteers from the many communities that make up the T&W Interfaith Council gave up their time on Christmas day to help prepare, serve, and deliver Christmas meals.
It was again a truly 'Interfaith Christmas', where all came together to serve those in the greatest need.

Easter Egg Project

During Easter 2024 the Board of Trustees, with support from our volunteers wanted to continue the Easter Egg Project to support the local community, including vulnerable families and individuals.
As a result of public support and donations, we were able to deliver over 500 Easter Eggs to vulnerable individuals and families across the borough.
Our Easter Smile campaign has been a great success for the fourth year running. The smiles on each child's face is the reason why our volunteers love this project.

Finance: Funding, Donation and Grants

Funding and donations for 23/24 financial year have been received from several sources, including:
-Telford and Wrekin Council
-National Grid
-Sainsburys Neighbourly Foundation
-TNL Community Fund
-Shropshire Community Foundation
-Local Parish and Ward Councils
-Smithfields
-Plus, donations from so many wonderful individuals

Approved by order of the board of trustees on ..26th March 2025...and signed on its behalf by:

Cllr R Mehta - Trustee

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 May 2024

	Notes	31.5.24 Unrestricted fund £	31.5.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		206,297	249,804
Other trading activities	2	3,633	3,792
Total		209,930	253,596
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	94,932	90,482
Other		65,763	78,594
Total		160,695	169,076
NET INCOME		49,235	84,520
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		241,449	156,929
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		290,684	241,449

The notes form part of these financial statements

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Balance Sheet
31 May 2024

	Notes	31.5.24 Unrestricted fund £	31.5.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	6	264,481	37,748
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		26,203	203,701
NET CURRENT ASSETS		26,203	203,701
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		290,684	241,449
NET ASSETS		290,684	241,449
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		290,684	241,449
TOTAL FUNDS		290,684	241,449

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 26th March 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

R Mehta - Trustee

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Hire purchase and leasing commitments
Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.5.24	31.5.23
	£	£
Other revenue	2,300	3,785
Interest income	1,333	7
	3,633	3,792

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3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.5.24	31.5.23
	£	£
Support costs	94,932	90,482

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 May 2024 nor for the year ended 31 May 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 May 2024 nor for the year ended 31 May 2023.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	249,804
Other trading activities	3,792
Total	253,596
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	90,482
Other	78,594
Total	169,076
NET INCOME	84,520
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	156,929
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	241,449

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 June 2023	-	34,000	3,748	37,748
Additions	226,733	-	-	226,733
At 31 May 2024	226,733	34,000	3,748	264,481
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 May 2024	226,733	34,000	3,748	264,481
At 31 May 2023	-	34,000	3,748	37,748

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.6.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	241,449	49,235	290,684
TOTAL FUNDS	241,449	49,235	290,684

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	209,930	(160,695)	49,235
TOTAL FUNDS	209,930	(160,695)	49,235

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.6.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	156,929	84,520	241,449
TOTAL FUNDS	156,929	84,520	241,449

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	253,596	(169,076)	84,520
TOTAL FUNDS	253,596	(169,076)	84,520

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.6.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	156,929	133,755	290,684
TOTAL FUNDS	156,929	133,755	290,684

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	463,526	(329,771)	133,755
TOTAL FUNDS	463,526	(329,771)	133,755

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 May 2024.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 May 2024

	31.5.24 £	31.5.23 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	53,623	64,717
Grants	120,921	166,992
Hire cost	31,753	18,095
	206,297	249,804
Other trading activities		
Other revenue	2,300	3,785
Interest income	1,333	7
	3,633	3,792
Total incoming resources	209,930	253,596
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
Charitable activities	63,188	76,495
Light & heat	2,575	2,099
	65,763	78,594
Support costs		
Management		
Rent	11,565	14,070
Insurance	1,062	798
Motor expenses	5,547	5,478
Telephone	377	2,961
Postage and stationery	6,257	3,746
Advertising	199	1,038
Repairs & maintenance	52,669	46,178
Pointguard Consultancy	14,134	14,075
	91,810	88,344
Finance		
Bank charges	25	35
Information technology		
Computer costs	3,097	2,103
Total resources expended	160,695	169,076
Net income	49,235	84,520

TELFORD AND WREKIN INTERFAITH COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 1195197

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1195197

Report of the Trustees and

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 May 2023

for

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The aim of to CIO is to help eradicate inequalities within our community, and to promote diversity and inclusion within the Borough of Telford and Wrekin, and to ensure that Unity stays within our Community.

To achieve this our objectives are:

1. The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by:

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orientation or religion;

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d) cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity.

2. The promotion of racial and religious harmony for the benefit of the public by promoting communication and good relations between persons of different races and faiths and promoting knowledge and mutual understanding and respect of the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths.

3. The relief of people who are in need by reason of their age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or social circumstances in such ways and by such means as the trustees shall determine.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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Trustees

Ms L Pointer
Cllr R Mehta
Ms J Ward
Ms R Dhatt
Mrs K Dass (appointed 19.7.22)

Main Activities
During the past 12 months we have been able to continue to support the local communities in resolving issues relating to cultural differences and misunderstandings, and bringing people together to help those in need irrespective of their backgrounds. Our membership has grown to over forty Faith, Cultural, and Community Groups, who have the same goal of continuing our efforts of keeping 'Unity' with the 'Community'.

Below is a summary of our major activities during these past 12 months:

Armed Forces Covenant
In March 2023 The Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council signed up to the Armed Forces Covenant, and achieved the Bronze award. Signing this covenant shows the commitment of the Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council and all of its members in supporting our Armed Forces, both those who currently serve as well as our veterans.

Out of Hours Emergency Food Service
During the past year we continues to provide Emergency Food Parcels to families and individuals in need. These continue to be a mix of collections and deliveries. Our Grant from Telford and Wrekin Council allowed us to continue our Out of Hours service,

We have also received donations of food and goods from multiple donors which have assisted over 10,000 residents within the Telford and Wrekin Borough.

During this past 12 months we have delivered the following:
9,832 Emergency Food Parcels distributed
147,480 meals provided

Community Engagement

During the previous 12 months, we have had the pleasure of working with many groups to help bring diversity and inclusion to all members of the community.

We have been able to go into local primary and secondary Schools during South Asian Heritage Month in July 2022 to deliver Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion workshops to over 1,000 students, to help them to better understand the diverse world around them.

We were also able to hold several events at our community hub, which covered such areas as Black History Month, Diwali, the King's Coronation, and other diversity-related events.

Warm Space Project

In Nov 2022 we received funding to deliver a Warm Space project. This allowed us to open up our Community Hub to local residents who may be struggling with heating their homes, in need of a hot meal, or just to come together for a bit of company. The funding allowed us to run the project from Dec 22 through the end of March 23, which ran for 2 days per week.
Those in attendance were able to keep warm, have a hot meal, a hot drink, play some games, or to socialise.

Due to the success of the Warm Space project, we put out a fundraiser campaign to allow us to continue this service. This service then became our "Chit-Chat" café, which runs every Thursday 1pm-3pm and all are welcome.

Interfaith Santa

With the support of the Telford and Wrekin Council, Balfour Beatty, and many volunteers we were able to deliver our Mobile Santa Grotto to the streets of Telford and Wrekin for the two weeks leading up to Christmas.

This is now the third year that we have been able to bring our Interfaith Father Christmas to the children of the Borough. Overall, it is estimated that 2,000+ children experienced the Mobile Grotto.

We also delivered over 1,500 Selection Boxes to vulnerable children during that time.

We also gave over 200 presents to children who would overwise not receive anything due to the financial crisis that is affecting many families in our community.

Christmas Day Meals

On Christmas Day 2022, we prepared and delivered hot Christmas meals to over 250 vulnerable adults, many of whom were placed in homeless shelters around the Telford and Wrekin Borough, as well as elderly individuals and couples who were struggling. We were also able to hold a sit-down meal at our community Hub for those who wanted some company on the day. We provided additional treats to add an extra smile to those we served.
Over 40 volunteers from the many communities that make up the T&W Interfaith Council gave up their time on Christmas day to help prepare, serve, and deliver Christmas meals.
It was again a truly 'Interfaith Christmas', where all came together to serve those in the greatest need.

Easter Egg Project

During Easter 2023 the Board of Trustees, with support from our volunteers wanted to continue the Easter Egg Project to support the local community, including vulnerable families and individuals.

As a result of public support and donations, we were able to deliver over 800 Easter Eggs to vulnerable individuals and families across the borough.
Our Easter Smile campaign has been a great success for the third year running. The smiles on each child's face is the reason why our volunteers love this project.

Finance: Funding, Donation and Grants
Funding and donations for 22/23 financial year have been received from several sources, including:

- Telford and Wrekin Council
- Veolia
- Bournville Village Trust
- West Mercia Police
- Severn Trent Water
- Local Parish and Ward Councils
- Arnold Clarke
- Energize Shropshire
- Plus, donations from so many wonderful individuals

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 26 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Cllr R Mehta - Trustee

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 May 2023

	Notes	31.5.23 Unrestricted fund £	31.5.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		249,804	267,137
Other trading activities	2	3,792	2,000
Total		253,596	269,137
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	90,482	102,106
Other		78,594	74,266
Total		169,076	176,372
NET INCOME		84,520	92,765
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		156,929	64,164
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		241,449	156,929

The notes form part of these financial statements

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Balance Sheet
31 May 2023

	Notes	31.5.23 Unrestricted fund £	31.5.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	6	37,748	37,360
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		203,701	119,569
NET CURRENT ASSETS		203,701	119,569
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		241,449	156,929
NET ASSETS		241,449	156,929
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		241,449	156,929
TOTAL FUNDS		241,449	156,929

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 26 March 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

R Mehta - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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Hire purchase and leasing commitments
Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.5.23	31.5.22
	£	£
Other revenue	3,785	2,000
Interest income	7	-
	3,792	2,000

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3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.5.23	31.5.22
	£	£
Support costs	90,482	102,106

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 May 2023 nor for the year ended 31 May 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 May 2023 nor for the year ended 31 May 2022.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	267,137
Other trading activities	2,000
Total	269,137
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	102,106
Other	74,266
Total	176,372
NET INCOME	92,765
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	64,164
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	156,929

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 June 2022	34,000	3,360	37,360
Additions	-	388	388
At 31 May 2023	34,000	3,748	37,748
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 May 2023	34,000	3,748	37,748
At 31 May 2022	34,000	3,360	37,360

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.6.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	156,929	84,520	241,449
TOTAL FUNDS	156,929	84,520	241,449

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	253,596	(169,076)	84,520
TOTAL FUNDS	253,596	(169,076)	84,520

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.6.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	64,164	92,765	156,929
TOTAL FUNDS	64,164	92,765	156,929

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	269,137	(176,372)	92,765
TOTAL FUNDS	269,137	(176,372)	92,765

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.6.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	64,164	177,285	241,449
TOTAL FUNDS	64,164	177,285	241,449

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	522,733	(345,448)	177,285
TOTAL FUNDS	522,733	(345,448)	177,285

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 May 2023.

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 May 2023

	31.5.23 £	31.5.22 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	64,717	57,018
Grants	166,992	204,523
Hire cost	18,095	5,596
	249,804	267,137
Other trading activities		
Other revenue	3,785	2,000
Interest income	7	-
	3,792	2,000
Total incoming resources	253,596	269,137
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
Charitable activities	76,495	72,398
Light & heat	2,099	1,868
	78,594	74,266
Support costs		
Management		
Rent	14,070	12,260
Travelling expenses	-	1,664
Insurance	798	985
Motor expenses	5,478	3,937
Telephone	2,961	365
Postage and stationery	3,746	368
Advertising	1,038	1,277
PPE costs	-	691
Repairs & maintenance	46,178	63,926
Pointguard Consultancy	14,075	12,000
	88,344	97,473
Finance		
Bank charges	35	-
Information technology		
Computer costs	2,103	4,633
Total resources expended	169,076	176,372
Net income	84,520	92,765

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TELFORD AND WREKIN INTERFAITH COUNCIL

England & Wales - Charity number 1195197

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for

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Main Activities
During the previous 12 months we have been impacted like most by the continued effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic, as well as a Cost-of-Living Crisis. On top of this we also had the impact of the War in Ukraine, and the refugee movements from Afghanistan, which meant we have added to the services that we had provided during the previous 12 months.

Below is a summary of our major activities during these past 12 months:

Out of Hours Emergency Food Service
During the past year we have been providing Emergency Food Parcels to families and individuals in need. These are a mix of collections and deliveries. We were able to secure a Grant from Telford and Wrekin Council to continue our Out of Hours service, including the purchasing of a Van, which has been used for delivering emergency food parcels, as well as taking vulnerable residents to doctors' appointments, prescription collections, etc. The grants also enabled us to purchase racking for our food bank storage, as well as new shutters at the rear of the building for easier access for deliveries as well as for additional security. We have also received donations of food and goods from multiple donors which have assisted over 10,000 residents within the Telford and Wrekin Borough.

During this past 12 months we have delivered the following:
11,232 Emergency Food Parcels distributed throughout the Telford and Wrekin Borough
134,784 meals provided (we provide between 4-7 days' worth of food per person)

Afghanistan Refugee Support
The UK formally opened the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme (ACRS) on 6 January 2022.

The scheme prioritised:

- those who have assisted the UK efforts in Afghanistan and stood up for values such as democracy, women's rights, freedom of speech, and rule of law
- vulnerable people, including women and girls at risk, and members of minority groups at risk (including ethnic and religious minorities and LGBT+)

The Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council were asked to assist the local council with the delicate project of assisting Afghanistan Refugees who had been temporarily housed in accommodation with the borough. Most of the refugees came into the UK with nothing except the clothes on their backs. We led a campaign to collect donations of clothes, shoes, and children's toys, to assist in welcoming them into the UK. We also engaged with language interpretation, religious worship (including donation of prayer mats), and tension facilitation. We were also engaged with ensuring families were able to get to GP and dental appointments, as well as a trip out of the borough.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Ukraine Support Relief

On February 24, 2022, Russia launched a military operation in Ukraine.

The conflict forced more than 14 million people to leave their homes – that's more than a quarter of Ukraine's entire population.

More than 6 million people remain displaced within Ukraine and an estimated 7.7 million are now living as refugees across Europe. Older people, people with disabilities and people with a lack of economic resources are the most affected.

It was determined very quickly that this conflict was going to cause huge humanitarian crisis for the people of Ukraine. Our Polish members of the Interfaith Council approached us for assistance as they wanted to collect donations and send them across to Poland so that they could help the refugees fleeing the conflict.

As an interfaith council we were able to offer our storage facilities for free to allow as a drop off and sorting location for the Ukrainian relief project in Telford, as well as bringing together all the communities of the Interfaith Council to make donations. We were also able to promote through all our social media outlets.

In total 12 articulated lorries full of food, clothes, toys, toiletries, and other essential items we delivered through this local campaign and the contributions have helped 1,000s of refugees who fled into Poland.

The Interfaith Council has also been supporting the local Borough Council with painting, decorating, and small repairs to properties to allow refugees to settle into accommodation quickly within the Telford and Wrekin Borough.

Community Hub Opening

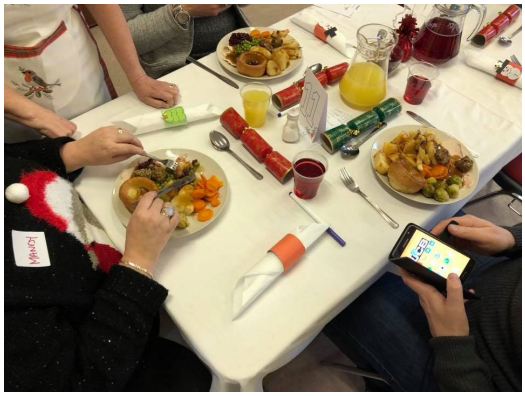
In June 2021 we received a grant to assist us in upgraded the building that we started renting to enable it to be used by the community. This included redesigning the downstairs of the building to add additional meeting and community rooms, as well as a downstairs toilet. To upgrade the electrics downstairs to encompass the internal changes. The Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Community Hub was officially opened in Oct 2021 with dignitaries and guests from all over the county in attendance.

In May 2022 we received further funding to make changes to the upstairs of the building for additional community use. Watch this space…

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Mobile Santa Grotto

With the support of the Telford and Wrekin Council, Balfour Beatty, and many volunteers we were able to run a Mobile Santa Grotto around the streets of Telford and Wrekin for the two weeks leading up to Christmas. We wanted to continue the success of the previous year and bring our Interfaith Father Christmas to the children of the Borough. Overall, it is estimated that 5,000+ children experienced the Mobile Grotto. We also delivered over 1,000 Selection Boxes to vulnerable children during that time. We also gave over 500 children's Christmas Presents out to the most vulnerable families who required food parcels over the Christmas Period.



Christmas Day Meals for the Homeless

On Christmas Day 2021 we teamed up with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and KIP@Manninplace for the second year running to help deliver hot Christmas meals to over 150 vulnerable adults, many of whom were placed in homeless shelters around the Telford and Wrekin Borough. We provided drinks, selection boxes, and sweets to help cheer up those in need. We also worked with our many members from different faiths to be able to cover the deliveries of the Christmas meals around the borough.

It was a truly 'Interfaith Christmas', where all came together to serve those in the greatest need.

Easter Egg Project

During Easter 2022 the Board of Trustees wanted to do something extra for the local community, including vulnerable families and individuals, as well as showing support to our Emergency Services who have worked tirelessly throughout the Covid-19 Pandemic.

As a result of public support and donations, we were able to deliver over 1,800 Easter Eggs to vulnerable individuals and families across the borough as well as to Children of Emergency Services Personnel. Our Easter Smile campaign was a great success for a second year running, and is something we are planning to continue in the future.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Equality and Diversity

As part of our mission to bring unity into the community and promote inclusion for all, we have been involved in a number of projects during the past 12 months.
These have including running workshops during South Asian Heritage Month, which included a drawing competition with help from local school children.
We also worked with multiple organisations during Black History Month, as well as holding Faith and Cultural events at the Interfaith Community Hub, engaging with local schools and community groups, sharing cultural festivals like Diwali, Eid, Holocaust Memorial Day, to name a few.

We are looking forward to working closer with the local primary and secondary schools around the borough to support them in their efforts on Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion with youth of the borough (the leaders of tomorrow).

Interfaith Youth Forum

In late spring of 2021, the Interfaith Youth Forum was set up with 6 founding members, all under 18. The aim of this Youth forum is to bring Youth together from all walks of life, to provide a safe inclusive place within the community where they can enjoy building lasting friendships and learn from (respect and embrace) all the faiths and cultures that make up the Borough of Telford and Wrekin. In May 2022 this group (plus additional youth) were able to attend a wonderful couple of days up in the Liverpool area, where they received leadership training on how to run an inclusive organisation as well as a visit (as VIP guests) to Tranmere Rovers F.C., where they were invited onto the pitch for a half-time photo in front of the home fans. This left lasting memories for the youth that attended, and Tranmere Rovers received some additional new fans on the day. The youth forum has also come together with AFC Telford and were able to utilise their outdoor 5-a-side all weather pitches an evening a week to come and have fun and getting exercise.

Finance: Funding, Donation and Grants
Funding and donation for 21/22 financial year has been received from a number of sources, including:

- Telford and Wrekin Council
- Veolia
- Neighbourly Foundation (Sainsbury)
- Tesco Groundwork
- Local Parish and Ward Councils
- Arnold Clarke
- Energize Shropshire
- Arleston Community Centre
- Wolverhampton University
- Aylesbury Surgery
- Plus, donations from so many wonderful individuals

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Approved by order of the board of trustees on ....9th March 2023..... and signed on its behalf by:

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Cllr R Mehta - Trustee

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 May 2022

	Notes	31.5.22 Unrestricted fund £	31.5.21 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		267,137	168,635
Other trading activities	2	2,000	-
Total		269,137	168,635
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	102,106	29,013
Other		74,266	75,458
Total		176,372	104,471
NET INCOME		92,765	64,164
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		64,164	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		156,929	64,164

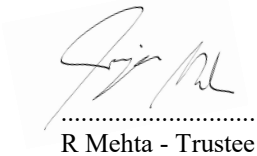
The notes form part of these financial statements

Telford and Wrekin Interfaith Council

Balance Sheet
31 May 2022

	Notes	31.5.22 Unrestricted fund £	31.5.21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	6	37,360	-
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		119,569	64,164
NET CURRENT ASSETS		119,569	64,164
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		156,929	64,164
NET ASSETS		156,929	64,164
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		156,929	64,164
TOTAL FUNDS		156,929	64,164

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 9th March 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



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R Mehta - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments
Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.5.22	31.5.21
	£	£
Other revenue	2,000	-

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3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.5.22	31.5.21
	£	£
Support costs	102,106	29,013

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 May 2022 nor for the year ended 31 May 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 May 2022 nor for the year ended 31 May 2021.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	168,635
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	29,013
Other	75,458
Total	104,471
NET INCOME	64,164
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	64,164

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
Additions	34,000	3,360	37,360
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 May 2022	34,000	3,360	37,360
At 31 May 2021	-	-	-

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.6.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	64,164	92,765	156,929
TOTAL FUNDS	64,164	92,765	156,929

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	269,137	(176,372)	92,765
TOTAL FUNDS	269,137	(176,372)	92,765

Comparatives for movement in funds

	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.21 £
Unrestricted funds		
General fund	64,164	64,164
TOTAL FUNDS	64,164	64,164

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	168,635	(104,471)	64,164
TOTAL FUNDS	168,635	(104,471)	64,164

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.6.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.5.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	-	156,929	156,929
TOTAL FUNDS	-	156,929	156,929

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	437,772	(280,843)	156,929
TOTAL FUNDS	437,772	(280,843)	156,929

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 May 2022.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 May 2022

	31.5.22 £	31.5.21 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	57,018	38,558
Grants	204,523	130,077
Hire cost	5,596	-
	267,137	168,635
Other trading activities		
Other revenue	2,000	-
Total incoming resources	269,137	168,635
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
Charitable activities	72,398	75,458
Light & heat	1,868	-
	74,266	75,458
Support costs		
Management		
Rent	12,260	406
Travelling expenses	1,664	8
Insurance	985	446
Motor expenses	3,937	7,148
Telephone	365	221
Postage and stationery	368	1,057
Advertising	1,277	238
PPE costs	691	1,365
Repairs & maintenance	63,926	192
EAL Project	-	8,487
CIO Consultation	-	150
Pointguard Consultancy	12,000	3,000
	97,473	22,718
Information technology		
Computer costs	4,633	4,295
Website costs	-	2,000
	4,633	6,295
Total resources expended	176,372	104,471
Net income	92,765	64,164

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