

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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for the Year Ended 31 May 2023

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The aim of the 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 these our objectives 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.

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

Registered Charity number

1195197

Principal address

19 New Street
Wellington
Telford
Shropshire
TF1 1LU

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 continue 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 otherwise 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

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

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		<u>203,701</u>	<u>119,569</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>241,449</u>	<u>156,929</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>241,449</u>	<u>156,929</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		<u>241,449</u>	<u>156,929</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>241,449</u>	<u>156,929</u>

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.

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

	31.5.23	31.5.22
	£	£
Other revenue	3,785	2,000
Interest income	<u>7</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u><u>3,792</u></u>	<u><u>2,000</u></u>

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3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.5.23	31.5.22
	£	£
Support costs	<u>90,482</u>	<u>102,106</u>

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	<u>2,000</u>
Total	<u>269,137</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	102,106
Other	<u>74,266</u>
Total	<u>176,372</u>
NET INCOME	92,765
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	64,164
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>156,929</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 May 2023**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	<u>34,000</u>	<u>3,748</u>	<u>37,748</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 May 2023	<u>34,000</u>	<u>3,748</u>	<u>37,748</u>
At 31 May 2022	<u>34,000</u>	<u>3,360</u>	<u>37,360</u>

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	<u>156,929</u>	<u>84,520</u>	<u>241,449</u>

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	<u>253,596</u>	<u>(169,076)</u>	<u>84,520</u>

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	<u>64,164</u>	<u>92,765</u>	<u>156,929</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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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
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>269,137</u>	<u>(176,372)</u>	<u>92,765</u>

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
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>64,164</u>	<u>177,285</u>	<u>241,449</u>

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
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>522,733</u>	<u>(345,448)</u>	<u>177,285</u>

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	<u>18,095</u>	<u>5,596</u>
	249,804	267,137
Other trading activities		
Other revenue	3,785	2,000
Interest income	<u>7</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>3,792</u>	<u>2,000</u>
Total incoming resources	253,596	269,137
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
Charitable activities	76,495	72,398
Light & heat	<u>2,099</u>	<u>1,868</u>
	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	<u>14,075</u>	<u>12,000</u>
	88,344	97,473
Finance		
Bank charges	35	-
Information technology		
Computer costs	<u>2,103</u>	<u>4,633</u>
Total resources expended	<u>169,076</u>	<u>176,372</u>
Net income	<u><u>84,520</u></u>	<u><u>92,765</u></u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements