



Mission



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2022 **Period start date** **To** 19 April 2023 **Period end date**

Charity name: Bridgeway Mission

Charity registration number: 1195873

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Object of the CIO is the advancement of the Christian faith, in particular (but without limitation) by providing worship, prayer and Christian teaching. Bridgeway supports refugees and asylum seekers from Eastern and Middle Eastern countries to integrate well into local communities. The area covered by the charity is England; work generally takes place in Essex.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christian worship and teaching sessions happen weekly for those exploring and wishing to participate.• We run a food pantry.• We supplied Halal food to families, particularly during Ramadan.• 6 laptops were purchased for users to develop their IT skills, learn how to make job applications and practise English language• Items of furniture, household equipment and toys are donated to refugees in their own accommodation.• There are opportunities to socialise: monthly socials for refugees to mix with English and other nationalities. Generally around 40 each month, not always the same people, so we have reached over 200 during the year.• A donation allowed the purchase of 6 sewing machines for Stitch and Natter sessions. Around 25 women now make many of their own clothes whilst interacting with each other and English speakers.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refugees visited the Warm Space gatherings in a local town centre church. • A grant allowed the purchase of 6 air fryers with lessons on using them in the cost-of-living crisis. • Volunteers from amongst the asylum seekers have assisted with heavy food shopping. • Bridgeway was represented at celebrations for Colchester becoming a city; the deputy mayor opened our city-centre premises; we have taken part in events to raise awareness of diversity and charity work in the city, with Middle-Eastern volunteers helping there. • All activities include opportunities to practise English conversation with volunteers
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have supported and encouraged these activities through presence at events and connections with local secular and faith organisations.

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	<p>The acquisition of a small shop premises in the city in August 2022 has allowed Bridgeway to consolidate its presence and its work. The premises provide a place for fundraising, a focal centre for families to collect food, to use the internet hub, to socialise and to take part in activities, albeit in small numbers.</p> <p>The links forged with a local Methodist Church are of mutual benefit and encouragement to all.</p> <p>The cost-of-living crisis could have been an extremely severe problem for families already living on the breadline, but thanks actions such as Warm Space and grant-makers who have focussed funds on helping people worst-affected, we have been able to access funds to help alleviate the problems.</p> <p>Cultural events have celebrated home-country events such as Eid and Nowruz. Also British leisure activities such as a visit to Colchester Zoo, a day at the seaside, a day in London (seeing Buckingham palace and the changing of the guard).</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>Circumstances (especially the cost-of-living crisis) have helped us to acquire several small grants to support many refugees and asylum seekers with food and activities that aim to keep people healthy. This situation will probably become more difficult, but we are still hopeful.</p> <p>The healthy financial position in 2022 – 2023 has relied partly on low staffing costs which must be increased if the charity is to operate sustainably. We are hopeful and determined to succeed here.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>Our policy is to be able to fund three months' expenditure from unrestricted funds.</p> <p>In a case of sudden loss of income we need to be able to buy essential food for families, to pay running costs on our premises, and to pay the manager's salary while Bridgeway supports its community and returns to full working capacity.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Unrestricted for April 2022 and April 2023 is £27295.38.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Not applicable

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Bridgeway Mission has a constitution dated 4 August 2021
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, (CIO - FOUNDATION Registered 21 Sep 2021)
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	Trustees are selected and elected in line with the terms of the constitution which includes a Statement of Faith.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bridgeway Mission
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	1195873
Charity's principal address	96 ROBERTS ROAD COLCHESTER CO2 7FW

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				
2	Janie Beales	Chair	Finished on July 2022	
3				
4	Raied Joseph Ajaj			
5	Elizabeth Alake			
6	Jonathan Butcher			
7	Susan Jean Wood		From 27 July 2022 to date	
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20				

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

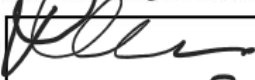
Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Them	Signature(s)		
JONATHAN BUTCHER	Full name(s)		
CHAIR	Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
22-12-23	Date		

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	JONATHAN BUTLER	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	22-12-23	



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BRIDGEWAY MISSION

1195873

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2022

To

19/04/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
General Funds	51,950	-	-	51,950	-
Government	28,224	-	-	28,224	-
Unrestricted	15,848	-	-	15,848	-
Shop Profit	11,447	-	-	11,447	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	107,469	-	-	107,469	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	107,469	-	-	107,469	-
A3 Payments					
Insurance	329	-	-	329	-
Stationery	1,500	-	-	1,500	-
General expenses	8,300	-	-	8,300	-
Food for clients	5,454	-	-	5,454	-
DBS Charges	500	-	-	500	-
Wages	9,600	-	-	9,600	-
Social Expenses	1,852	-	-	1,852	-
Travel	1,500	-	-	1,500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	29,035	-	-	29,035	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment and Fixture	14,108	-	-	14,108	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	14,108	-	-	14,108	-
Total payments	43,142	-	-	43,142	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	64,327	-	-	64,327	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	64,327	-	-	64,327	-

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank	64,327	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	64,327	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	P	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Furniture	A4	7,000	-
	Equipments	A4	7,108	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature


Print Name

Date of approval

JONATHAN BUTCHER 12-12-23

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	64,327	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	P	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		JONATHAN BUTLER	12-12-23



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Mr Jonathan Butcher

On accounts for the year
ended

19/04/2023

Charity no
(if any)

1195873

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 19/04/2023.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

22/12/2023

Name:

Muhammad Naveed Zahid

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ACCA

Address:

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.