



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	12	2021		31	12	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

CHILDREN'S AID

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1196869

Charity's principal address

21 COUNCILLOR LANE

CHEADLE

STOCKPORT

Postcode

SK8 2HU

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	ABDUL SATTAR			
2	NADEEM KHAN			
3	NADEEM MIAN		Appointed 01/08/2023	
4	ZAHRA AKHTAR		Resigned 01/08/2023	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
AUDITORS	Elite Accounting Solutions Ltd	Suite 9b Turner Business Centre Greengate, Middleton, Manchester, M24 1RU

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Children's Aid under its constitution is a UK registered charity (1196869) with the Charity Commission. It is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose Foundation was registered with the Charity Commission on 01 December 2021.
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	The existing board of trustees have overall responsibility to recruit and appoint new Trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Trustees delegate the day-to-day running of the Charity to the CEO and Leadership Team. The CEO and the Leadership Team report directly to the Board. The Board of Trustees are responsible for the oversight, management and good governance of the Charity and its affairs. Appointed trustees are responsible for general management and control of the charity and to ensure that it operates within the guidelines dictated by the Charity Commission and its own governing documents.

The Trustees meet regularly to discuss and review the Charity's operations. At these meetings, they also make macro and micro level decisions relating to the running of the charity and its activities, mainly the delivery of short and long term humanitarian aid projects to different parts of the world, as well as within the UK. The Trustees also have a group of volunteers that work with and advise them on particular projects of the charity's work.

The Trustees regularly discuss and assess any risks that the charity may face by area of activity, nature and scale of those risks happening and measures to be taken to manage them. Risks levels and impacts are continuously reviewed in line with changing circumstances. Currently, the Trustees are satisfied that the necessary systems and procedures are in place to manage the risks that the charity may face.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To support and promote the mental and physical wellbeing of children and young people, especially those in poor and disadvantaged circumstances, those suffering from illness, ill-health, disability and incapacity of any kind and those who are deprived regardless of their gender, ability or disability, religion, nationality, ethnic or national origins in the UK and elsewhere, either directly through the provision of funds, grants, items and services and/or through charities or other organisations working to support individuals in need.

To relieve poverty, sickness and distress amongst children and young people who are displaced or living in developing countries and to support and advance the education and health of such persons through the provision of funds, grants items or services for persons, bodies and organisations including the provision of education, training, healthcare, shelter and medical aid.

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

The principal objectives set out by the charity and contained within our trust deeds, (as summarised above) are as follows:

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Our objectives are set to reflect the aims and purpose of the charity. They are constantly reviewed and assessed by the Trustees to ensure they continue to reflect our aims. The Charity Commission's guidance notes have been consulted in formulating these objectives.

OUR FUTURE PLANS AND OBJECTIVES

1. We will continue to help and support children and young people in the most deprived and needy areas of the world.

2. We will continue to broaden and innovate our existing projects and continue to adapt and react to changing needs where possible.

3. We recognise that to meet our long term objectives we need to invest in systems, processes and people to strengthen the charities operational infrastructure, hence the next phase of growth will be a critical one requiring:

- finding skilled staff and volunteers that share our vision and objectives
- increasing our focus on marketing, PR and social media activities
- redesign and development of our website
- expansion of our partner network
- expansion of our volunteer network.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

<p>4. We will continue to develop our donor interaction and feedback experience to ensure our donors remain relevant and engaged and comfortable with the donation experience.</p> <p>5. We will continue to learn from experience, develop and enhance our internal controls and processes so they remain robust and in line with any authority guidelines. In doing so, we want donors to rest assured that Children's Aid is being managed effectively and efficiently and adheres strictly to best practice and high standards we set ourselves.</p> <p>PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT</p> <p>In accordance with guidance provided by the Charity Commission (general guidance on public benefit), the trustees have concluded the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The aims of the charity continue to be focused on charitable work - The work carried out by the charity is directly and indirectly beneficial to the charitable sector and more specifically to those individuals in need - The benefits are for the public and not unreasonably unrestricted in anyway There is no detriment to any country, society, community or individual arising out of the charity's activities

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

<p>VOLUNTEERS</p> <p>Children's Aid is a charity reliant heavily on volunteers. This has been one of the cornerstones of our growth and success to date and we aim to bolster the volunteer base further by continuing to offer a number of ways in which people can continue to engage, collaborate and support us on this humanitarian journey.</p> <p>GRANT MAKING</p> <p>Children's Aid are pleased to confirm that following a thorough review, the Trustees are fully satisfied with our grant-making policy. We remain committed to our mission and values, ensuring that our grant-making efforts continue to make a meaningful and positive impact on the communities we serve.</p>
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In our first full year of operation we have managed to complete 95 projects across 5 countries touching thousands of lives. We have highlighted some of the main ones here:

IN THE UK

The UK was where we started things in December of 2021 with our fundraising colleague Shirlan Reid. We were heavily involved in raising funds to help pay for urgent medical treatment for a Manchester teenager. We did this successfully with the support of Morrisons supermarkets. After that our main focus in the UK has been on children's Hospice Support and helping to feed the homeless and those in need.

We have been raising funds for one of our supported charities - Together for Short Lives and have contributed over £1,000 through direct fundraising with Morrisons this year.

We also support the fantastic Claire House children's hospice in the north west and have donated over £500 towards them this year.

We help to feed the poor and homeless with support for Tooting Community Kitchen and have contributed nearly £1,000 to them this year.

We also supported Hounslow Masjid during Ramadan this year and helped provide iftari meals as well as helping to feed the poor with a donation of £350.

OVERSEAS

Internationally is where we have really spread our wings and made an impact:

PAKISTAN

In Pakistan we have paid for the education of many children and teenagers providing them with a route to lift them and their families out of poverty.

From feeding the poor in hospitals through providing essential ration packs and iftari through Ramadhan we have been able to help hundreds of families and thousands of people to eat.

We were able to react quickly and provide essential disaster relief support following the devastating floods this year. We were able to fund vital projects in the north and south of Pakistan providing everything from medicine, water, ration packs, tents, clothing and blankets, all the way through to supporting some of the rebuild efforts.

From the initial completion of our first well at the start of the year we have recently commenced the building of our 10th deep water well this year – with potentially more to follow in the near future. These wells support whole communities and will improve and benefit thousands of peoples lives.

We have helped to support several widows and their families, from providing goats to ration packs to helping to pay for school fees we have made lives easier

We have worked with the Seeraht institute to support their goals and also to provide assistance to many of its poorer and underprivileged students

and teachers.

We have supported livelihoods and business start-ups including a sweet shop and a brush making business to enable families to support themselves and lift them out of the poverty trap.

We provided hundreds of ration packs to the poorest of families during Ramadhan enabling them to eat during this holiest of months and were able to help many families to eat at least one meal a day.

We have provided help to several individuals and families requiring urgent medical care and treatment. From vital operations to ongoing care and support

BANGLADESH

In Bangladesh we started our orphanage support program with the Al Madina orphanage. We provided clothes for all the orphans and provided them all with a special Eid meal. We currently sponsor 2 orphans on an ongoing basis.

We also starting to work with a smaller more rural orphanage where we have helped to provide ongoing support to the orphanage through paying for maintenance and upkeep but also sponsor 2 orphans on an ongoing basis. We have also provided special Eid meals for the all the children.

Through our partnership with the Al Madina orphanage and their location we were able to work with them to provide emergency humanitarian aid when torrential floods hit Bangladesh in the summer of 2022.

We have been providing ongoing support to a blind widower and his family to pay for vital medical treatment and to enable him to support his young family.

We have provided contributions to build several houses for poor and deserving families in Bangladesh.

KENYA

We provided rations and meat to several rural orphanages in Kenya. This is something we would like to build on and are looking to

We have supported a number of masjid build and refurb projects in Kenya. From paying towards the construction costs of new masjids to providing renovation improvements to existing masjids we have helped to support numerous masjids in 2022.

We have provided food and ration packs to the poor throughout the year, helping poor and destitute families to eat.

We distributed a number of essential rations packs to needy families in Ramadhan.

With the support of our broadening Kenya network we undertook our first major Qurbani project in Kenya in 2022 and what a great success it was. Not only was it competitively priced for our donors but it was exceptionally well organised and managed in Kenya with the meat being distributed far and wide to needy individuals, including Muslim prisoners and remote communities.

We have managed to support several projects to provide wheelchairs for

poor children with disabilities in Kenya, significantly improving their lives.

GAMBIA

We have dipped our toe in the water in Gambia and have helped to provide Eid meals to over 2,000 school children with our partner Sharing Wonders.

INDIA

We provided the option for full cow Qurbanis in India this year and is something we will likely continue due to its competitive pricing.

We have started to engage with and support a girls orphanage project which we will look to grow in the future.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Children's Aid maintains a prudent approach to reserves management, striving to strike a balance between maintaining financial stability and fulfilling our mission. Reserves are held to ensure the long-term sustainability of our organisation and to provide a buffer against unforeseen challenges or opportunities.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Principal sources of funding

The principal source of funding is from individual donors from within the UK who respond to appeals via email, Whatsapp, website, word of mouth or other forms of fundraising including collections and events.

Nature of funds

The Trustees confirm that, on a fund-by-fund basis, the assets are available and are adequate to fulfil the obligations of the Charity.

2022 has been an incredibly positive year, in what was effectively our first full year of operations, Children's Aid managed to raise over £79,000 - including, just under £6,000 coming from Gift Aid. The total income received in 2022 (our first full year of operation) was £79,020. During the year, Children's Aid spent over £55,170 helping a large number of beneficiaries they supported across the world from natural disasters to food aid, water aid, education and orphan programmes. Moreover, in the event of a significant drop in funding, the Trustees feel that they would be able to continue the current activities of the Charity through the availability of reserves. The Charity needs to be able to respond quickly to emergencies should the need arise, in order to get aid and assistance where most needed around the world. Investment policy Surplus funds are usually kept in an investment reserve account to ensure the best return for the Charity.

Section F

Other optional information

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations. The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:


- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Abdul Sattar	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	28/10/2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Children's Aid	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts


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For the period from	Period start date 01/12/2021	To	Period end date 31/12/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	73,175	-	-	73,175	-
Gift aid	5,845	-	-	5,845	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	79,020	-	-	79,020	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	79,020	-	-	79,020	-
A3 Payments					
Charities activities	55,170	-	-	55,170	-
Wages	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
Legal and professional	3,593	-	-	3,593	-
Insurance	498	-	-	498	-
Telephone	197	-	-	197	-
Advert	64	-	-	64	-
Misc	240	-	-	240	-
Bank charges	36	-	-	36	-
Computer expenses	612	-	-	612	-
Subscriptions	50	-	-	50	-
Motor	35	-	-	35	-
Printing postage and stationery	42	-	-	42	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	62,536	-	-	62,536	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	62,536	-	-	62,536	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,484	-	-	16,484	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	16,484	-	-	16,484	-

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	16,478	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	16,478	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	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)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	
		Abdul Sattar	28/10/2023	