

SOPHOS AFRICA UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1197557

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-01-18

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AND IN LINE WITH JUDEO-CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES: 1. TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY, SUFFERING AND DISTRESS IN AFRICA, IN PARTICULAR, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: A. SUPPORTING INCOME GENERATION SCHEMES AMONGST SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES, WITH A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON WOMEN AND YOUNG PEOPLE; AND B. RESEARCHING AND RAISING AWARENESS OF THE CAUSES OF POVERTY AND DEVELOPING AND PROMOTING MECHANISMS TO RELIEVE THE CAUSES; 2. TO PROMOTE RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS HARMONY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY ADVANCING KNOWLEDGE, MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND PEACEFUL RELATIONS BETWEEN DIFFERENT ETHNIC AND RELIGIOUS GROUPS.

Activities: SOPHOS AFRICA aims to prevent or relieve poverty in Africa through supporting income generation schemes amongst disadvantaged communities as well as working to address the causes of poverty, such as corruption, religious extremism and ethno-centrism. SOPHOS AFRICA in the UK exists to support and fund the work of Africans to address these issues.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity

Geography

- Eritrea
- Ethiopia
- Kenya
- Nigeria
- Sudan
- Uganda

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£41,569	£59,226	-	-
2024-04-05	£60,060	£48,254	-	-
2023-04-05	£64,097	£43,098	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christopher William Reveley	Chair	2022-01-18
Alastair Guy Michell-Baker		2022-08-16
BRIAN ROBERT MITCHELL		2025-01-20
Louise Anne Smith		2025-06-01
NICOLA MHAIRI HUNT		2025-04-01
Rahel Admasu		2026-01-22

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Accounts

SOPHOS AFRICA UK (SAUK) third Annual Report

(From April 2024 till end of March 2025)

A. SAUK's Reference and Administrative Information

- SOPHOS AFRICA UK was registered as a by the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 18th January 2022 with the registration number 1197557.
- SAUK's principal office address is 70, Blairhead Drive, Watford, WD19 7RJ
- The names of SAUK's trustees on the date this report was approved are:-
 - Christopher Reveley (Chair)
 - Alastair Mitchell-Baker
 - Brian Mitchell
 - Nicola Hunt
 - Louise Smith
- Our founder and Executive Director is Dr Desta Heliso Anshebo. Dr Desta is invited to attend many of our Trustees Meetings and he also leads SOPHOS AFRICA charities in Ethiopia and in USA.
- SAUK's Financial Reporting period is April 1st till March 31st and this our third Annual Report from April 1st 2024 to 31st March 2025.

B. The Objects of SAUK are:-

For the public benefit and in line with Judeo-Christian principles:

1. to prevent or relieve poverty, suffering and distress in Africa, in particular, but not limited to:
 - a. supporting income generation schemes amongst socially and economically disadvantaged communities, with a particular focus on women and young people; and
 - b. researching and raising awareness of the causes of poverty and developing and promoting mechanisms to relieve the causes;
2. to promote racial and religious harmony for the public benefit by advancing knowledge, mutual understanding and peaceful relations between different ethnic and religious groups.

C. The activities and achievements of SAUK up to end of March 2025

Activities undertaken by SAUK during the financial year 2024/5 have included:-

- a) Completing the second Annual Accounts and Report to the Charity Commission
- b) Conducting a review of our SAUK Policies and Risk Register for operational matters
- c) Dr Heliso's weekly interactions with the SOPHOS AFRICA Ethiopia staff team and his four visits to Ethiopia to undertake work activities directly
- d) Dr Heliso's participation in several Conferences in the USA including amongst the Ethiopian Diaspora.
- e) Promoting the vision, mission and objects of SOPHOS AFRICA in the UK
- f) Fund-raising in the UK, US and Sweden/Germany.
- g) Having some turnover of SAUK Trustees, as two who had served three years stepped down and we appointed two new Trustees.

Achievements of SAUK up to March 2025

a) Supporting Dr Desta's work in Ethiopia during which SOPHOS AFRICA has:-

- Developed capacity in Ethiopia with more than 2,000 students and young professionals (from different ethnic and religious backgrounds and now with chapters in five cities) signed up to be supporters/advocates of the SA Vision .
- Entered agreement with a national Bank (Berhan bank) to establish a Revolving Loan Fund to provide loan finance, assurance and guidance to our ethical entrepreneurship (poverty alleviation & income generation) program for future selected groups of unemployed graduates.
- Saw the start-up of ten business (from 10 selected business cases) and a further 16 Interns placed from the first 30 unemployed graduates to go through the ethical entrepreneurship training last year
- Continued to host Breakfast Club discussion meetings with Government Officials, senior business people and academics and senior Church leaders to highlight issues around ethno-centrism, religious extremism and corruption.
- Launched the first set of modules for the Praxis programme within the Ministry of Justice and the Addis Ababa Leadership Academy and a major Seminary based upon SOPHOS AFRICA produced materials. This is a key mechanism that SA will use to bring about corporate/organisational transformation in Ethiopia.
- Funded by Norwegian Church Aid, SA conducted a piece of focused research which produced six Recommendations which will be presented to senior Government bodies. These propose ways to improve and develop greater racial and religious harmony, and mutual understanding and peaceful relations between different ethnic and religious groups.

b) SAUK work in the UK

- Completed the running of Project Harmony (funded by a grant from the Lottery Fund) which ran till late 2024 with public meetings including at the School of Oriental & African Studies in London to address issues and promote harmony around ethnicity and identity within the UK-based Ethiopian diaspora.
- Continued to provide bi-monthly updates to a wider network of those interested.

c) The Trustees have had regards to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit:-

- By ensuring that those engaging with the SOPHOS AFRICA Ethiopia events and training courses are from a variety of racial and religious backgrounds;
- By establishing the link between corruption (often on racial or religious grounds) and poverty; this included focussed research leading to recommendations presented to national Government officials

- By launching a first cohort of young professionals either into start-up businesses or into internships.
- By maintaining and setting up to expand the ethical entrepreneurship programme (for unemployed graduates) in 2025.
- By providing informed research related to challenges to racial and religious harmony and proposing recommendations to improve mutual understanding and peaceful relations between different ethnic and religious groups within Ethiopia.
- By running Project Harmony in the UK which aimed to foster inter-ethnic harmony and promote better community relations amongst the diaspora.

D. Financial Position

- a. For the financial year ending March 2025 SAUK's income came from:
 - i. Fieldstead & Co – 12%
 - ii. Individual donation income (regular & one-off) – 54%
 - iii. UK Trust funds and donor organisations – 30%
 - iv. Churches – 4%
- b. SAUK's primary expenses are:-
 - i. The costs of employing our UK-based Executive Director, Dr Desta.
 - ii. The costs of equipping him to travel and work in Ethiopia, other parts of Africa and, occasionally, to the US or Europe.
 - iii. The costs of events held in the UK including the Project Harmony events.
 - iv. Remittances that we wish to make to support SOPHOS AFRICA project work or operational costs in Ethiopia in line with SAUK Objects.
 - v. The costs associated with promoting SOPHOS AFRICA in the UK and the costs of operating as a charity.

E. SAUK's Reserves Policy

- a. The minimum operating costs of SAUK are defined by the need to pay our Executive Director and to equip him to travel to Ethiopia a number of times a year plus to other locations for fund-raising purposes. Administrative costs are minimal and other UK-based tasks are covered by the Trustees and our volunteer accountant.
- b. Therefore, our Reserves Policy (which is to have a minimum of three months expenditure in our Bank Account at any time) minimum amount has been raised this year. As of March 31st 2025 that quarterly minimum reserve was £11,500 and we have been compliant with our Reserves policy throughout the period being reported upon.

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Receipts and payments acc

For the period from	Apr-24	To
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts			
	41,569	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	41,569	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).			
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-
Total receipts	41,569	-	-
A3 Payments			
	50,197	9,029	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	50,197	9,029	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)			
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-
Total payments	50,197	9,029	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 8,628	- 9,029	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,805	10,000	-

Cash funds this year end 14,177 971 -

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Balance at the end of the period	14,177
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		-
	Total cash funds	14,177
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK
B2 Other monetary assets		-
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		-
		-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	A Laptop	Unrestricted funds
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which

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

Signature

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Total funds

Last year

to the nearest £

to the nearest £

41,569	60,060
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41,569	60,060

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41,569	60,060
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59,226	48,254
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59,226	48,254

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59,226	48,254
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- 17,657	11,806
-	-
32,805	20,999

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32,805

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Restricted funds to nearest £

Endowment funds to nearest £

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Restricted funds to nearest £

Endowment funds to nearest £

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Cost (optional)

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Amount due

When due

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Name	Date of approval
William Reveley	
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Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Sophos Africa UK

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025	Charity no (if any)	1197557
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

10 December 2025

Name:

Adam Perryman

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

Associated Chartered Accountant (ACA), member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)

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SOPHOS AFRICA UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1197557

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SOPHOS AFRICA UK (SAUK) second Annual Report

(From April 2023 till end of March 2024)

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 - Fasil Bellele
 - Jonathan Fox
 - Alastair Mitchell-Baker
- Our founder and Executive Director is Dr Desta Heliso Anshebo. Dr Desta is invited to attend many of our Trustees Meetings and he also leads SOPHOS AFRICA charities in Ethiopia and in USA.
- SAUK's Financial Reporting period is April 1st till March 31st and this our second Annual Report from April 1st 2023 to 31st March 2024.

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 - b. researching and raising awareness of the causes of poverty and developing and promoting mechanisms to relieve the causes;
2. to promote racial and religious harmony for the public benefit by advancing knowledge, mutual understanding and peaceful relations between different ethnic and religious groups.

C. The activities and achievements of SAUK up to end of March 2024

Activities undertaken by SAUK during the financial year 2023/4 have included:-

- a) Completing a satisfactory first Annual Accounts and Report to the Charity Commission
- b) Conducting a review of our SAUK Policies for operational matters
- c) Dr Heliso's weekly interactions with the SOPHOS AFRICA Ethiopia staff team and five visits to Ethiopia to undertake work activities directly
- d) Dr Heliso's participation in a major US Conference on Aid
- e) Promoting the vision, mission and objects of SOPHOS AFRICA in the UK
- f) Fund-raising in the UK, US and Norway/Sweden.
- g) Dr Heliso also underwent medical treatment in August/September 2023.

Achievements of SAUK up to March 2023

- a) Supporting Dr Desta's work in Ethiopia during which SOPHOS AFRICA has:-
 - a. Developed capacity in Ethiopia with more than 1,000 students and young professionals (from different ethnic and religious backgrounds) signed up to be supporters and advocates of the SA Vision .
 - b. Entered agreement with a local microfinance company (Tesfa) to provide assurance and guidance to our ethical entrepreneurship (poverty alleviation and income generation) program.
 - c. Selected the first 30 unemployed graduates to go through the ethical income generation training and to be considered for business loans or Internships.
 - d. Obtained funding from Church of Sweden and launched a program of Breakfast Club discussion meetings with Government Officials, Senior Business-people and academics and senior Church leaders to highlight issues around ethno-centrism and religious extremism and corruption.
 - e. Piloted a first Praxis group based upon SOPHOS AFRICA produced materials ahead of launching a full Praxis group program later in 2024. This is a key mechanism that SA will use to bring about corporate/organisational transformation in Ethiopia.

- b) SAUK work in the UK
 - a. Obtained a grant of £10,000 from the Lottery Fund at the end of 2023 for Project Harmony which will run till late 2024 with public meetings to address issues and promote harmony around ethnicity and identity within the Ethiopian diaspora.
 - b. Continued to provide bi-monthly updates to a wider network of those interested.

- c) The Trustees have had regards to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit by ensuring that those engaging with the SOPHOS AFRICA Ethiopia events and training courses are from a variety of racial and religious backgrounds; by establishing the link between corruption (often on racial or religious grounds) and poverty; by recruiting a cohort of young professionals and students trained and committed to the vision of SOPHOS AFRICA; and by launching the first ethical economic empowerment programme (for unemployed graduates) in 2024. Project Harmony in the UK also seeks to foster inter-ethnic harmony and promote better community relations amongst the diaspora.

D. Financial Position

- a. For the financial year ending March 2024 SAUK's income came from:
 - i. Fieldstead & Co – 46.5%
 - ii. Individual donation income (regular & one-off) – 16.7%
 - iii. UK Trust funds and donor organisations – 33.4%
 - iv. Churches – 3.4%

- b. SAUK's primary expenses are:-
 - i. The costs of employing our UK-based Executive Director, Dr Desta.
 - ii. The costs of equipping him to travel and work in Ethiopia, other parts of Africa and, occasionally, to the US or Europe.
 - iii. Remittances that we wish to make to support SOPHOS AFRICA project work or operational costs in Ethiopia in line with SAUK Objects.
 - iv. The costs associated with promoting SOPHOS AFRICA in the UK and the costs of operating as a charity.

E. SAUK's Reserves Policy

- a. The minimum operating costs of SAUK are defined by the need to pay our Executive Director and to equip him to travel to Ethiopia a number of times a year plus to other locations for fund-raising purposes. Administrative costs are minimal and other UK-based tasks are covered by the Trustees and our volunteer accountant.
- b. Therefore, our Reserves Policy (which is to have a minimum of three months expenditure in our Bank Account at any time) minimum amount has been raised this year. As of March 31st 2024 that quarterly minimum reserve was £10,000 and we have been compliant with our Reserves policy throughout the period being reported upon.

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CHARITY COMMISSION
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Apr-23	To	Mar-24
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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					
	50,060	10,000	-	60,060	45,652
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	50,060	10,000	-	60,060	45,652
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	50,060	10,000	-	60,060	45,652
A3 Payments					
	44,254	4,000	-	48,254	32,061
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	44,254	4,000	-	48,254	32,061
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Office equipment	-	-	-	-	1,638
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	1,638
Total payments	44,254	4,000	-	48,254	33,699
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,806	6,000	-	11,806	11,953
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,999	4,000	-	20,999	9,046
Cash funds this year end	22,805	10,000	-	32,805	20,999

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 Balance at the end of the period	22,805	10,000	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,805	10,000	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	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)
	A Laptop	Unrestricted funds	1,549	750
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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
		Christopher William Reveley Alastair Mitchell-Baker		



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Sophos Africa UK

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

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Signed:

Date:

7 January 2025

Name:

Adam Perryman

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

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SOPHOS AFRICA UK (SAUK) first Annual Report

(from registration in January 2022 till end of March 2023)

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- SAUK's Financial Reporting period is April 1st 2022 till March 31st 2023 but, as this is our first Annual Report, it also includes the period from 18th January till 31st March 2022.

B. The Objects of SAUK are:-

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- b. researching and raising awareness of the causes of poverty and developing and promoting mechanisms to relieve the causes;

2. to promote racial and religious harmony for the public benefit by advancing knowledge, mutual understanding and peaceful relations between different ethnic and religious groups.

C. The activities and achievements of SAUK up to March 2023

Activities undertaken by SAUK during its first 15 months have included actions to establish the charity as able to operate including:-

- a) Completing Charity registration
- b) Getting an SAUK Bank Account with Cooperative Bank

- c) Establishing a set of SAUK Policies for operational matters
- d) Establishing and managing SAUK's Risk Register
- e) Employing Dr Desta Heliso as our Executive Director
- f) Dr Heliso recruiting a small staff team in Ethiopia (the staff team are the responsibility of SOPHOS AFRICA Ethiopia)
- g) Dr Heliso's weekly interactions with the SOPHOS AFRICA Ethiopia staff team and four visits to Ethiopia to undertake work activities directly
- h) Promoting the vision, mission and objects of SOPHOS AFRICA in the UK
- i) Fund-raising in the UK

Achievements of SAUK up to March 2023

- a) Supporting Dr Desta's work in Ethiopia during which SOPHOS AFRICA has:-
 - a. Concluded an initial research project focused upon evidence of and causes of corruption and ethno-centrism in Ethiopia and how these are a cause of poverty
 - b. Based upon that research, developing teaching and engagement materials to highlight the issues and to propose mitigations
 - c. Training up several hundred students and young professionals in Ethiopia (from different ethnic and religious backgrounds) most of whom have signed up to be supporters and advocates of the SA Vision (capacity building)
 - d. At the request of the Ethiopian Civil Societies Organisation (local and international NGO/charities coordinating body) to lead in research, preparation and presentation of the case to the Government against ethno-centricty and corruption
 - e. Coordinating an engagement across Orthodox, Catholic and protestant groups in Ethiopia to promote the teaching of religious tolerance in education
 - f. Developing partnerships with like-minded local organisations so as to be able to launch and operate the income generation projects effectively
- b) SAUK work in the UK
 - a. Launched SAUK in May 2022 with an event in the Ethiopian Embassy
 - b. Held other public meetings in the UK to explain SOPHOS AFRICA's vision of how racial and religious harmony within Ethiopia would reduce corruption and so reduce poverty.
 - c. Raised funds from the UK specifically allocated for an economic empowerment program for unemployed graduates in Ethiopia
 - d. Established a UK support base for funding the work of SAUK
 - e. Established monthly updates to a wider network of those interested.
 - f. With SAUK support (and the support of some US organisations) Dr Heliso has now also been able to launch SOPHOS AFRICA in the USA (February 2023)
- c) The Trustees have had regards to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit by ensuring that those engaging with the SOPHOS AFRICA Ethiopia events and training courses are from a variety of racial and religious backgrounds; by establishing the link between corruption (often on racial or religious grounds) and

poverty; by recruiting a cohort of young professionals and students trained and committed to the vision of SOPHOS AFRICA; and by starting to set up the first ethical economic empowerment programmes for launching in 2023/4.

D. Financial Position

- a. At the date of Charity registration SAUK had already started to undertake activities with funds coming from two sources:-
 - i. Individuals in the UK making donations.
 - ii. A US Charitable Trust, Fieldstead & Co (a philanthropic company based in Irvine, California). As Trustees we note our gratitude to Fieldstead for their very generous on-going support.
- b. For the financial year ending March 2023 SAUK's income came from:
 - i. Fieldstead & Co – 60%
 - ii. Individual donation income (regular & one-off) – 15.5%
 - iii. UK Trust funds and donor organisations (general & designated) – 23%
 - iv. Churches – 1.5%
- c. SAUK's primary expenses are:-
 - i. The costs of employing our UK-based Executive Director, Dr Desta.
 - ii. The costs of equipping him to travel and work in Ethiopia, other parts of Africa and, occasionally, to the US or Europe.
 - iii. Remittances that we wish to make to support SOPHOS AFRICA project work or operational costs in Ethiopia in line with SAUK Objects.
 - iv. The costs associated with promoting SOPHOS AFRICA in the UK and the costs of operating as a charity.

E. SAUK's Reserves Policy

- a. The minimum operating costs of SAUK are defined by the need to pay our Executive Director. Administrative costs are minimal and other UK-based tasks are covered by the Trustees and our volunteer accountant.
- b. Therefore, our Reserves policy is to have a minimum of three months expenditure in our Bank Account at any time. As of March 31st 2023 that quarterly minimum reserve was £8,870 and we have been compliant with our Reserves policy throughout the period being reported upon.

END



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Sophos Africa

1197557

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Apr-22	To	Mar-23
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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					
	41,652	4,000	-	45,652	18,445
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	41,652	4,000	-	45,652	18,445
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	41,652	4,000	-	45,652	18,445
A3 Payments					
	32,061	-	-	32,061	9,399
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	32,061	-	-	32,061	9,399
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Office equipment	1,638	-	-	1,638	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,638	-	-	1,638	-
Total payments	33,699	-	-	33,699	9,399
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,953	4,000	-	11,953	9,046
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,046	-	-	9,046	-
Cash funds this year end	16,999	4,000	-	20,999	9,046

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 Balance at the end of the period	16,999	4,000	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	16,999	4,000	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Christopher William Reveley	15/01/2024	
		Alastair Mitchell-Baker	15/01/2024	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Sophos Africa UK

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1197557

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2023.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

12 January 2024

Name:

Adam Perryman

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

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