

Chairs Report on 2024

2024 was a quieter year for the charity.

The Asylum seeker hotels near to us having closed, most of those housed in Luton are now a further distance away in the town centre. The overall numbers in Luton had gone down due to many having been dispersed to other areas of the country or leaving following gaining their right to remain. As our numbers were significantly reduced we made the decision to stop our weekly drop in's that included clothing distribution and social support. We first went down to one day a week then ceased the sessions from October. Weekly or twice weekly sessions had been running with minimal breaks since May 2020. The distributions that we did make during the first part of the year were more closely monitored with the use of google sheets where the taking of identity numbers prevented the exploitation of the system. We continue to offer some support to a number of those seeking Asylum and those with permission to stay. This has usually involved some level of advocacy or accompanying on visits to health services or Home Office appointments.

As concern remained about the colder weather at the end of the year we hosted a collection of winter coats during the 2024/5 winter. Large numbers of these came from a collection arranged by Luton Someries Round Table. We also made an arrangement to give "Shoezone" vouchers to those who needed new footwear. A timed distribution was organised to get these and the coats to those who needed them. We worked in partnership with staff from Luton Borough Council and other agencies to make sure everyone had the basics they needed to stay warm and dry. In the end the demand proved to be much less than we had forecast leaving us with stock for the winter of 2025.

Clothing donations from other individuals and groups continued through the year but we found ourselves having to dispose of a large amounts of unwanted stock. Several bulk buys of underwear, joggers and T shirts took place in the first part of the year and we ended 2024 with a good supply of items that other agencies in the town can access if needed.

We are grateful to all the volunteers who in different ways have supported this work since 2020. A final gathering and lunch was held for them in October. The Latter-Day Saints Church continued their support in the first part of the year - a "trolley dash" resulted in a large donation of toiletries. We also continued to benefit Harpenden Hygiene donations.

During 2024 presentations on our work were made at Luton Someries and the Diocese of St Albans conference. We were formally recognised as members of Luton City of

Sanctuary which is now taking more active role in the town. We took part in a refugee week event organised in June by our partners from across the town

We have supported Asylum seekers of all faiths and none. As we scaled back our drop in, Hope Church based in the centre of Luton began a weekly global café which has taken on the role of providing social and emotional support. We have continued to work closely with our colleagues there.

The words of the 2023 report bear repeating

Bonds have been quickly formed, and the repeated “goodbyes and good luck” have at times felt like tiny multiple bereavements. If we are remembered as being the side of Britain that showed kindness – then I think that is no small contribution to what I hope will be a new and productive life in this country that benefits all of us.

Revd Canon David Kesterton

Chair of Trustees

19.8.2025

All Saints Luton Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Project

Trustees' Report and Accounts

For the period-ended 31 December 2024

Charity Registration No. 1197642

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All Saints Luton Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Project

Trustees' Annual Report 2024

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name All Saints Luton Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Project
Charity Registration Number 1197642
Report for the financial period 1st January to 31st December 2024
Address All Saints Vicarage
Shaftesbury Road
Luton
LU4 8AH

Charity Trustees Rev David Kesterton (Chairman)
Sandra Miller
Rev Kate Lomax
Rev Lynne Sandle
Susan Kesterton (resigned during year)

Structure, governance and management

Constitution Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Governing Document Constitution dated 22nd January 2022

Objectives and activities

Objects of the charity To provide practical and emotional support Asylum Seekers housed in Luton, mainly in local Hotels.

To relieve persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or who are aged or sick or disabled and to relieve the distress caused hereby.

Summary of activities The charity runs a twice weekly drop in where clothing and toiletries can be accessed and the provision of a social space with refreshments.

Advocacy and support is provided by a number of trained volunteers. The charity works closely with partners including Care4Calais, Red Cross and Discover Islam.

Volunteers The charity relies heavily on volunteers to carry out its activities.

Financial review

Reserves policy The charity aims to keep sufficient unallocated funds in reserve in order to maintain its charitable work and meet its regular commitments for about three months regardless of levels of income, and in order to be able to undertake occasional projects involving larger than normal expenditure.

Current reserves £8,035 (Unrestricted current assets)

Declaration

Declaration The trustees declare that they have approved the above trustees' report. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature



Full name

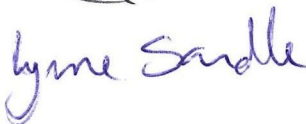
DAVID KESTERTON

Position

Chair

Date

Signature



Full name

LYNNE SANDLE

Position

TRUSTEE

Date

28/08/25

All Saints Luton Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Project
Statement of Financial Activities
for the period ended 31 December 2024

| | Note | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | Total for 2024 £ |
|-------------------------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Donations | | 1,636 | - | 1,636 |
| Grants received | | - | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Total Donations and Legacies | | 1,636 | 5,000 | 6,636 |
| Total incoming resources | | 1,636 | 5,000 | 6,636 |
| Project costs | | - | 2,997 | 2,997 |
| Hall Hire | | - | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Gross Wages | 4 | - | - | - |
| Volunteer Training | | - | - | - |
| Total Project Costs | | - | 4,997 | 4,997 |
| Other governance costs | | 500 | - | 500 |
| Total Governance Costs | | 500 | - | 500 |
| Total Resources Used | | 500 | 4,997 | 5,497 |
| Net Movement in funds | | 1,136 | 3 | 1,139 |
| Total funds brought forward | | 6,899 | - | 6,899 |
| Transfers between funds | | - | - | - |
| Total funds carried forward | | 8,035 | 3 | 8,038 |

All Saints Luton Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Project**Balance Sheet****as at 31 December 2024****Charity Reg Number: 1197642**

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | Total as at 31/12/2024 £ |
|---------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash at bank & in hand | | 8,535 | 3 | 8,538 |
| Total assets | | 8,535 | 3 | 8,538 |
| Current liabilities | | | | |
| Creditors & Accruals | 6 | 500 | - | 500 |
| Net current assets | | 8,035 | 3 | 8,038 |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | 8,035 | 3 | 8,038 |
| Net assets | | 8,035 | 3 | 8,038 |
| Funds of the charity | | | | |
| Unrestricted funds | 8 | 8,035 | - | 8,035 |
| Restricted funds | 7 | - | 3 | 3 |
| Total funds | | 8,035 | 3 | 8,038 |

Approved by the Trustees on:

Signed by, on behalf of all the Trustees:



Name:

DAVID KEIRTON

Date:

18/8/25

23/08/2025

All Saints Luton Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Project
Notes to the Accounts
for the period ended 31 December 2024

1 Accounting basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014.

2 Accounting Policies

Donations, legacies and similar incoming resources are included in the accounts when the charity becomes entitled to the donation, it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Tax reclaimed on donations is included in the accounts at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Volunteers - the value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment income i.e. bank interest is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Liabilities are generally recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure and the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

Governance Costs include costs of preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustees meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees.

3 Accountants Fees

Included in these accounts is £500 (2023 - £500) in fees paid for the examination of these accounts.

4 Employees

| Number of employees | 2024 | 2023 |
|-----------------------|----------|------------|
| Charitable activities | - | 1.0 |
| Total | - | 1.0 |

| Staff Costs | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Gross Salaries | - | 2,828 |
| Employer's NI Contribution | - | - |
| Employer's Pension Contribution (defined contribution scheme) | - | - |
| Total | - | 2,828 |

There were no employees who received employee benefits for the reporting period of more than £60,000.

5 Related Party Transactions

The church had the following transactions with related parties

Services from related charities

| Name of Charity | Relationship | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| All Saints with St Peter, PCC | Mutual trustees | 2,000 | 6,000 |
| Total | | 2,000 | 6,000 |

6 Creditors

Amounts falling due within one year

| Accruals | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Accruals and deferred income | 500 | 500 |
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7 Restricted Funds

| Fund Name | Purpose |
|------------------------|--|
| Asylum Seekers Support | To provide practical and emotional support to Refugees and Asylum Seekers housed in Luton. |

Movement on Restricted Funds in the year:

| £ | Opening Balance | Income in 2024 | Expenditure in 2024 | Transfer between funds 2024 | Closing Balance |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Asylum Seekers Support | - | 5,000 | (4,997) | - | 3 |
| Total | - | 5,000 | (4,997) | - | 3 |

8 Unrestricted and Designated Funds

| Fund Name | Purpose |
|----------------------|---|
| General Unrestricted | To spend at the discretion of the charity trustees for any purposes of the charity. |

Movement on Unrestricted Funds in the year:

| £ | Opening Balance | Income in 2024 | Expenditure in 2024 | Transfer between funds 2024 | Closing Balance |
|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| General Unrestricted | 6,899 | 1,636 | (500) | - | 8,035 |
| Total | 6,899 | 1,636 | (500) | - | 8,035 |