

**INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION ACADEMY
FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**Charity Registration No. 1197772 (Charitable
incorporated organization)**

**INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION ACADEMY
Annual Accounts and Trustee's Annual Report
for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023**

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1 Charity information

Charity Number	1197772 (England and Wales)
Registered Office	59 Laurel Crescent ROMFORD RM7 0RU
Trustees	Ian Goldman, President Weronika Felcis, Vice President Hur Hassnain, Treasurer Janett Salvador, Secretary General Urmilla Bob Nicole Bowman Scott Chaplowe Baguele Chilisa Osvaldo Feinstein Candice Morkel Ziad Moussa Beverly Parson Michael Quinn Patton Donna Podems Juha Uitto Sonal Zaveri
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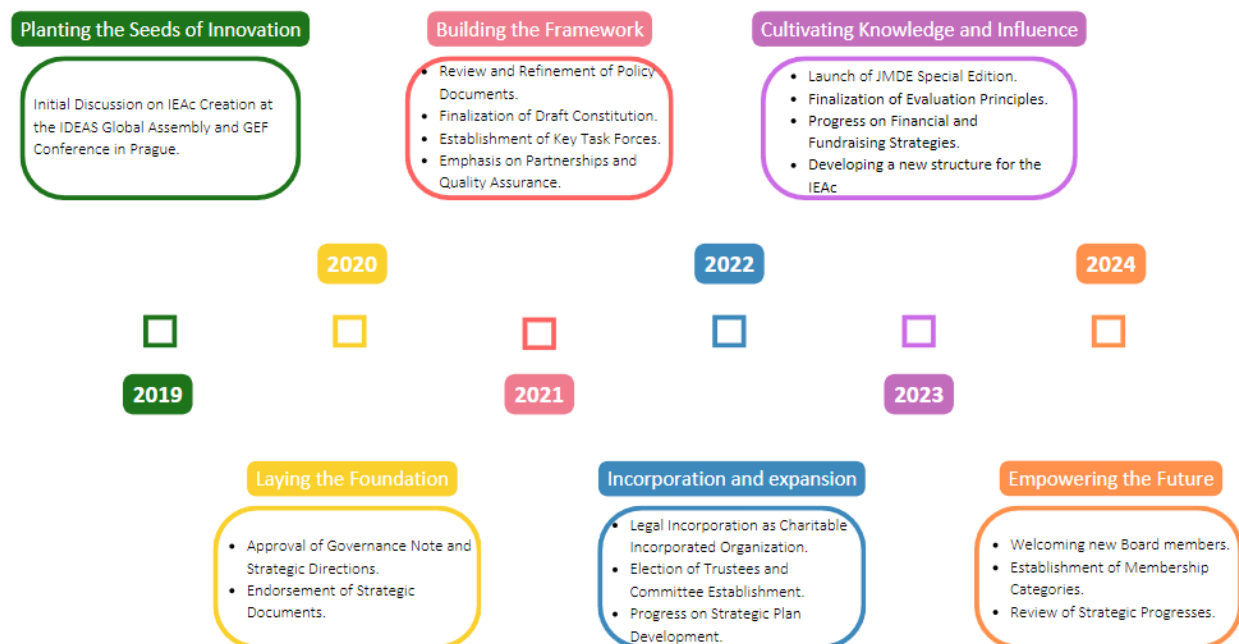
2 Trustee's report

2.1 Introduction

As the trustees of the INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION ACADEMY, we are pleased to present this report, outlining our activities and achievements for the reporting period. This annual report aims to provide a comprehensive review of the activities undertaken by the International Evaluation Academy (IEAc) trustees throughout the year, in compliance with the United Kingdom's **Charity Commission** regulations.

The International Evaluation Academy was conceived of and the idea endorsed at the IDEAS Prague Conference of 2019 and in the Prague Declaration (<https://ideas-global.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Prague-Declaration-4-October-2019.pdf>). Since then a process of establishing the Academy took place, leading to its formal establishment of a UK based Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in February 2022. The Academy has gone a process of consolidation of the working systems and structures and the development of a work programme. This report is the second Annual Report of the Academy.

This timeline highlights key milestones that mark the Academy's evolution from initial discussions and strategic planning to legal incorporation and impactful initiatives. Each year has been a stepping stone towards building a robust and inclusive institution dedicated to advancing the field of evaluation. Through collaborative efforts, innovative programs, and the establishment of membership categories, the IEAc continues to promote excellence in evaluation practices worldwide.



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2.2 Charitable objects

Advancing Education and Science: Our primary focus is the advancement of education and science in the field of evaluation. We are dedicated to promoting the theories, methods, and practices related to evaluation. By doing so, we aim to enhance the understanding of the merit, worth, and value of various aspects of our society.

Promoting Sustainable Development: In alignment with the principles of sustainable development, we are dedicated to:

- (A) The preservation, conservation, and protection of the environment, emphasizing the prudent use of resources to ensure a sustainable future.
- (B) The relief of poverty and improving living conditions in socially and economically disadvantaged communities.
- (C) Pursuing other related charitable purposes as determined by the trustees.

'Evaluation' means determining the merit, worth or value of something or the product of that process.

'Sustainable development' means development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

2.3 Vision and mission

Vision

The Academy embraces the vision of Agenda 2030 and its Sustainable Development Goals, as well as the Paris Agreement in promoting a world moving away from its current destructive path to one that is regaining climate and ecosystem resilience and health and promoting sustainable livelihoods for all, with evaluation supporting evidence-informed transformational change. It is guided by the Global Evaluation Agenda and Prague Declaration on Evaluation for Transformational Change that visualizes a world where evaluation practices are an integral part of all governments, civil society, and private sector development efforts.

Mission

We volunteer to contribute to the transformation, influence and professionalization of scientific evaluation practices to address economic, social, and environmental sustainability challenges. We use participatory practices and partnerships with diverse sectors of society to build, learn, share, and use a credible body of knowledge about the processes and consequences of systems and interventions aimed at building the resilience and sustainability of the world.

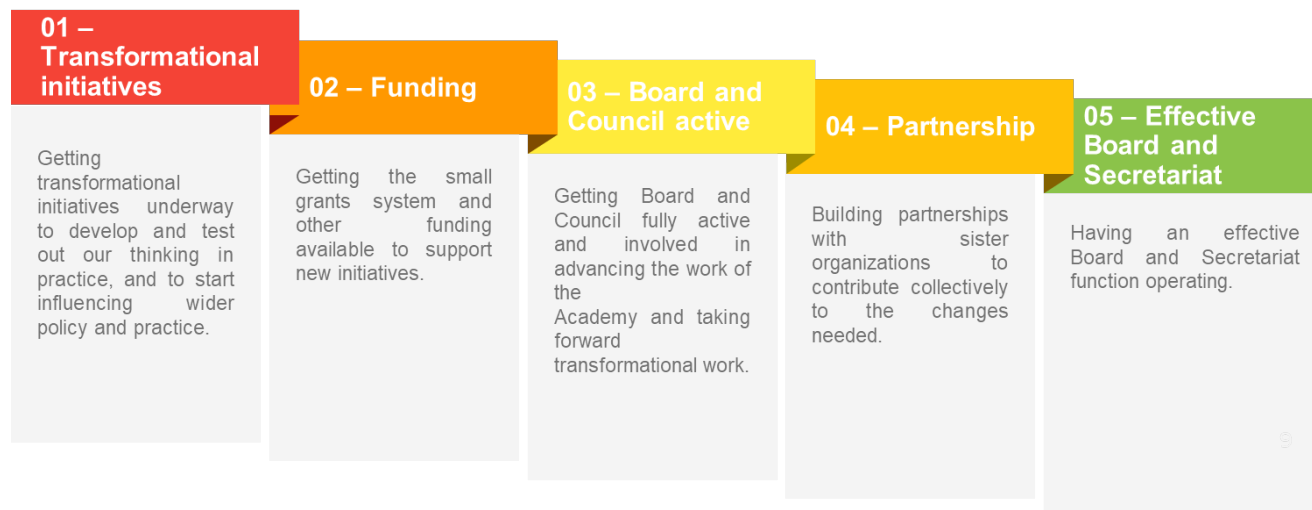
2.4 Values and principles

To address the required planetary transformations towards a just and sustainable future requires transformational values. Hence the Academy is committed to equity, justice and diversity, and to be self-reflective, open, respectful, inclusive and honest in all its activities.

2.5 2023 Achievements and Performance

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The International Evaluation Academy (IEAc) outlined a strategic roadmap in its 2023 work plan to further its mission of promoting transformative evaluation practices. The Key immediate priorities are:



The following table contains the details of the results achieved in 2023:

	June 2023	Dec 2023	Progress
Direction	Role of the Academy clear and being shown in practice - clear agreement on vision and mission	Document which shows how we bring about the changes/resilience we are seeking, and the role of evaluation within that (from launch) (build scenarios) Summarises how we see the state of the world.	Developing
Transformation	Publication on orientation on decolonisation and indigenisation for creating an ecojust world		JMDE special edition
Evaluation	JMDE special edition on decolonisation of evaluation		
Role of science academy	Publication of founding vision and approach to creating a regenerative/eco-just world and the role of evaluation.		Delay to 2024, after GEF conference
Programmes/ work	Exemplary cutting edge work started grounded in theory. Small grants system operating. Spaces happening where people can create cutting edge work, including empathy	At least ⅓ of the Council is involved in some activities and clarity for others of how they can propose and get involved. Webinars on these topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● academy-led ● for those on the ground currently doing an evaluation on the ground - supporting local action, and getting feedback 	CRG members involved (6) plus others in webinars etc. Not happening - possible system science project Started Proposed a blog for AEA on this: https://aea365.org/blog/?s=+Transformational+Eval+Week Webinars: https://www.youtube.com/@internationalevaluationaca334
CWA flagship activities			
System sciences	Document to show how different		Part of document for 2025

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	June 2023	Dec 2023	Progress
	theories/system sciences can inform what evaluators are trying to do to build decolonised/indigenous based		
Criteria/ principles	Launched by the Academy		Being tested in training
Decolonisation	JMDE Special Edition		Done
Climate/food	Action-research programme designed to explore incorporating climate/ecosystems/equity.		Concept developed with GEI but needs fundraising
Council initiatives	Council has indicated which are still relevant and QA process applied	Some initiatives starting	Outline for new role being presented. Ideas for new initiatives being stimulated.
Board	People are passionate about creating empathetic, innovative work. They are actively involved in committees in a passionate company culture.	Revised composition of the Board to account for broader thinking on our role. Constructive debate about the role of evaluation for the future not the past	Board is active with committees meeting as needed. Selection process needs to be developed as board involvement increases.
Council	Board has a new chair, regained trust of Council, and reviewed Council's role in relation to the Academy. Planned initiatives are underway.	As Board plus: Fully active	Process over 10 months has led to an agreed proposal for Friends and some enthusiasm for change
'Fellows'	Rethinking the roles with a more ecological model, clarifying difference with Council	Fully active with 'fellows' in place	Rethought role being presented at this Board meeting
Committees	Internally each committee operating with active members - by Jan new committees operating with simplified and clear TORs	Work programs (medium term) aligned with the Academy's objectives, reviewed transversally to avoid overlaps and strengthen coherence.	TORs for Outreach, others to be finalized. Roles for some like Fellowship becoming clearer.
Partnerships	Outreach strategy is being defined based on partnerships and institutionalization. MoU signed with IDEAS	Implement it, monitor it, evaluate it and make the necessary changes.	Fundraising strategy being tabled.
Policies	Proper document management/ version control. People well versed in policies. Small grants policy approved	Policies refined and simplified to match the direction - framed in terms of rules - should be based more on principles.	Small grants policy approved. Policies need review based on emerging revised direction.
Administration/ finance	Charity requirements met. Coordinator role reviewed. Bank account finalized. Work file updated.	Secretariat operational.	New coordinator appointed and operating with different mandate and more cost effective model. Bank account completed.
Communication	Develop strategies for internal and external communication to re-engage members, increase IEAc's visibility, attract partnerships, and position IEAc as a key player in global evaluation and the 2030 agenda.	Implement it, monitor it, evaluate it and make the necessary changes.	Outline strategy agreed with Bitrix being piloted by ExComm+ and assisting; internal newsletter; more active social media. New emails for officers not yet sorted.

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The work content

In 2023, the International Evaluation Academy (IEAc) initiated an ambitious work program to advance conceptual and practical contributions, build its reputation, and strengthen its internal structure. Five Collaborative Work Areas (CWAs) were planned, targeting decolonization, indigenization of systems and evaluation, systems sciences, and environmental justice, among others. These efforts aligned with IEAc's vision to foster more inclusive and just evaluation systems.

One of the year's main highlights was the successful release of the Journal of Multidisciplinary Evaluation (JMDE) special issue on decolonizing evaluation on July 20, 2023 (https://journals.sfu.ca/jmde/index.php/jmde_1/issue/view/77). As a follow-up the Academy provided a keynote conversation on decolonising evaluation between Nicole Bowman, a Board member and First Nations American, and Ian Goldman, The President of the Academy at the European Evaluation Society online conference in November 2023. At this same event Michael Quinn Patton and Weronika Felcis ran a training on principles for evaluation system transformation.

The JMDE special edition marked a significant milestone and set the foundation for further discussions and initiatives within the Academy. In line with this, a webinar was organised on November 1 focusing on decolonizing national evaluation systems. A Decolonising National Evaluation Systems work group was established as a result, including both Academy members and external partners.

The Global Environmental Facility invited the Academy to collaborate on the 4th Conference on Evaluating Environment and Development, initially planned for October 2023, but then postponed to March 2024 on Integrating Environmental and Socioeconomic Domains for Sustainability. It was agreed that the Academy would present three sessions: Decolonising Evaluation; Mainstreaming ecosystem health, and equity lens into all evaluations; and a Systems Design Quest.

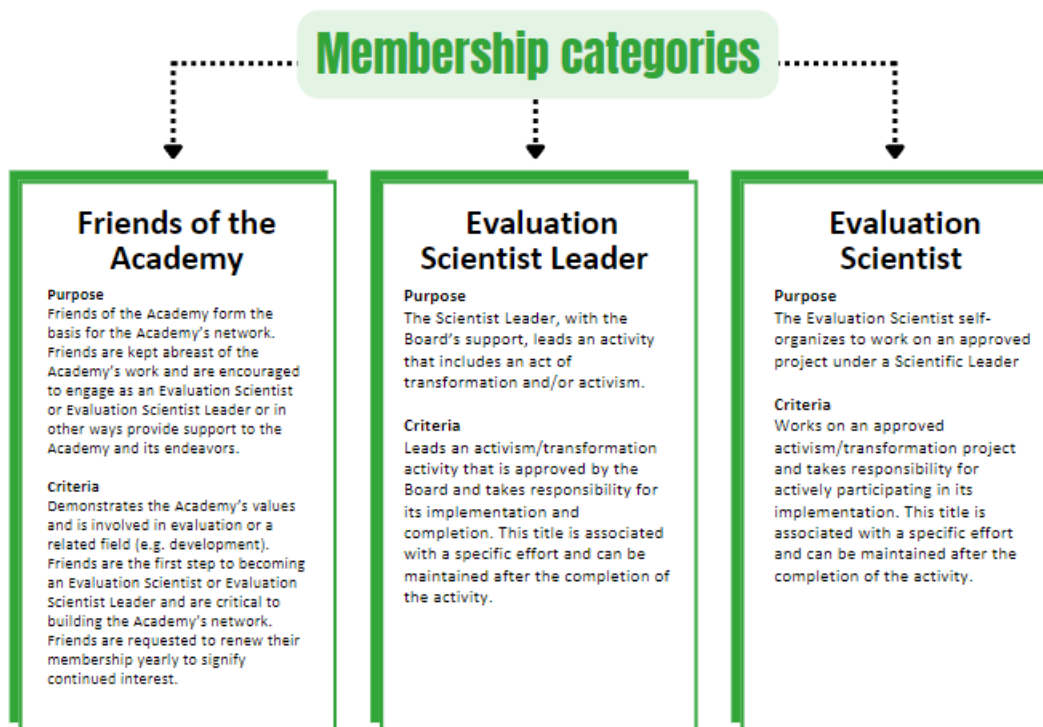
The Academy also sponsored the Transformational Eval Week on the AEA blog from December 10th to December 16th. Twelve members submitted blogs and contributed to this event (<https://aea365.org/blog/>).

However, some initiatives, like the CWA on climate, food, and environmental justice faced challenges, including funding constraints.

Revisiting the role of Fellows/Council

The Academy also made progress on several structural fronts. A redefined role for Council members and Fellows was proposed, merging the two into a single "Friends" category to encourage member engagement and foster collaborative work on transformational initiatives. Other categories such as Evaluation Scientist Leader and Evaluation Scientist were also created.

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This new model was well-received and further developed, with plans to communicate it widely. While some initiatives, like the Systems Science proposal, were delayed until 2025, the groundwork was laid for their future implementation.

Internally, the IEAc focused on strengthening governance and operational structures. New roles were defined within the Board and its committees, fostering greater clarity and involvement across key areas. The small grants system was activated, and the approval of policies such as the Quality Assurance and Enhancement (QAE) and Small Grants Program (SGP) marked significant steps forward. The Academy also initiated the design of an internal and external communication strategy, intending to raise awareness and position IEAc as a relevant actor in the global evaluation landscape.

Despite some delays, such as the climate action research initiative with GEI, the year was marked by progress across various fronts, setting a strong foundation for continued growth. With a clearer role, engaged members, and ongoing initiatives, the IEAc is poised to build on these achievements in the coming years.

2.6 2024 work plan

The following table outlines the key priorities for 2024 and 2025, focusing on transforming evaluation practices, fostering collaboration, and addressing critical global issues such as decolonization, power imbalances, and the role of evaluation in promoting social and ecological transformation. These initiatives are designed to further the Academy's mission and will be implemented through the Collaborative Work Areas (CWAs) to ensure a comprehensive and inclusive approach.

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<p>Building a common picture of transformation and the role of evaluation</p> <p>3H processes</p> <p>Developing a publication on our thinking on evaluations role and contribution to transforming society and the biosphere.</p> <p>Developing the IEAc theory of change/transformation with a transformative approach.</p>	<p>CWA - Decolonisation and addressing power imbalances</p> <p>Developing a conceptual framework for decolonisation and addressing power imbalances.</p> <p>Decolonisation and Indigenous evaluation.</p> <p>Applying decolonisation to national evaluation systems.</p>	<p>CWA – country-led and owned evaluation</p> <p>Localisation</p> <p>CWA: Collaborative Work Areas</p>
<p>Transforming evaluation practice</p> <p>Developing 2nd publication on our thinking on transforming evaluation</p> <p>System sciences</p> <p>Support to GEI</p>	<p>CWA - Professionalisation</p> <p>Strategic cooperation with mid-career evaluators, especially graduates of EvalYouth.</p>	<p>Communication/sharing</p> <p>Blog series</p> <p>Webinars</p> <p>Conferences</p>

2.7 Conclusion

In conclusion, we remain steadfast in our commitment to advancing the science of evaluation, promoting sustainable development, and pursuing other related charitable purposes. We are excited about the future and the positive impact we can create in line with our charitable objects.

Approved on behalf of trustees

Jan Goldman

President, International Evaluation Academy 31 October 2024

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3 Financial information

1. Chartered certified accountants' report to the trustee's on the preparation of the unaudited statutory accounts of International Evaluation Academy

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Charities Commission, we have prepared for your approval the accounts of INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION ACADEMY for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 as set out on pages 6 - 8 from the Charity's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <https://www.accaglobal.com/uk/en/about-us/regulation/rulebook.html>

Our work has been undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants as detailed at http://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/fact/technical-factsheet-163.pdf.

Please see the next page for our report on income statements.

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3 Statement of financial activities as at 31 December 2023

Opening Balance	Cash In hand	89,774.74	USD Avg	GBP
Date	Description	Amount	Rate	74,812.00
11/01/2023	Midnight Marketing Solution (MMS)	300.00	1.24	241.31
11/01/2023	Bank charges (MMS)	42.52	1.24	34.20
11/01/2023	MMS	608.00	1.24	489.06
11/01/2023	Bank charges (MMS)	42.52	1.24	34.20
27/02/2023	Paid to Wisei Accountants	1,814.71	1.24	1,459.71
27/02/2023	Bank charges (Wisei)	17.20	1.24	13.84
31/03/2023	Incurred Secretariat	7,239.77	1.24	5,823.50
30/06/2023	Incurred Secretariat	6,570.74	1.24	5,285.34
30/06/2023	JMDE Copyediting	5,000.00	1.24	4,021.88
30/06/2023	JMDE Copyediting - bank charges	82.07	1.24	66.02
10/07/2023	MMS Invoice 1834	385.00	1.24	309.68
10/07/2023	MMS Invoice 1834 - bank charges	43.63	1.24	35.09
04/08/2023	Incurred Secretariat	2,703.03	1.24	2,174.25
26/08/2023	Bank charges - account manag.	5.37	1.24	4.32
31/08/2023	Invoice Viviana Lascano 82023	3,000.00	1.24	2,413.13
31/08/2023	Bank charges - Invoice Viviana L.	61.58	1.24	49.53
31/08/2023	Account management DWW	250.00	1.24	201.09
31/08/2023	Bank charges - bank card	2.08	1.24	1.67
29/09/2023	Account management DWW	250.00	1.24	201.09
29/09/2023	Bank charges - bank card	2.00	1.24	1.61
30/09/2023	Bank charges - account manag.	5.22	1.24	4.20
05/10/2023	Invoice MMS 1898	256.98	1.24	206.71
05/10/2023	Bank charges - invoice MMS	41.04	1.24	33.01
28/10/2023	Bank charges - account manag.	5.13	1.24	4.13
31/10/2023	Account management DWW	250.00	1.24	201.09
31/10/2023	Bank charges - insurance card	5.94	1.24	4.78
31/10/2023	Bank charges - bank card	1.98	1.24	1.59
25/11/2023	Bank charges - account manag.	6.04	1.24	4.86
29/11/2023	Account management DWW	250.00	1.24	201.09
30/11/2023	Bank charges - bank card	2.09	1.24	1.68
28/12/2023	Account management DWW	250.00	1.24	201.09
29/12/2023	Bank charges - bank card	2.08	1.24	1.67
30/12/2023	Bank charges - account manag.	6.04	1.24	4.86
		60,271.98	1.24	48,481.32

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a. Notes to the accounts

Charity did not manage to open the bank account during the period and no new funds received during the year.

List of all expenses is provided in the SOFA.

Cash is just held with DWW.

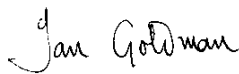
USD is converted at HMRC average rate.

4 Statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023

Cash is just held with DWW as above.

Trustees Confirm Below:

Ian Goldman, President, International Evaluation Academy



31 October 2024

The charity is entitled to exemption from audit under SORP

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with charity commission.
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of SORP and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the charity commission relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.