



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date		
From	6	April	2024	To	5 April 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name SALESIAN HEARTS ADVOCATING THE RELIEF OF POVERTY BY EDUCATION

Other names charity is known by KNOWN BY THE ACRONYM 'SHARE'

Registered charity number (if any) 1197901

Charity's principal address SALESIANS OF DON BOSCO UK,
PROVINCIAL OFFICE,
THORNLEIGH SALESIAN HOUSE, SHARPLES
SALESIANS OF DON BOSCO UK

Postcode BL1 6PQ

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	Michael Williams	Chair and 'Bridges' Programme Lead		The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board
2	Susan Haworth-Edwards	Treasurer		The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board
3	Richard Maher	Fundraising and Collee Communications		The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board
4	James Robert Gardener	Salesian Relations Lead		The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board
5	Gerard Owens	College Partner Relations Lead		The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board
6	Maria Morrison	'Porridge' Programme Lead		The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board
7	Philomena D'Sa	Charity Secretary and Charity Commission Oversight	05/01/2024 - present	The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board

8	Kay Morley-Cooper	-	23/11/2024 – present	The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board
9	Sarah Noble	Ethics Chair and ‘Capital’ Project lead	23/11/2024 – present	The Salesian Provincial Council c/o SHARE Trustee Board
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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
N/A	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

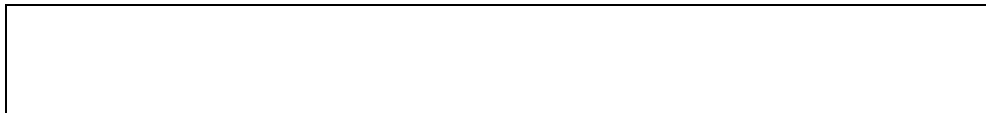
Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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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)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	[SHARE Constitution Schedule 13.2.1] The Salesian Provincial Council (“the appointing body”) may appoint at least 3 charity trustees. [SHARE Constitution Schedule 13.2.2] Any appointment must be made at a meeting held according to the ordinary practice of the appointing body. In practice, now that the charity is established, it is anticipated that the SHARE Trustee Board will approve and decide on suitable trustee appointments and make this recommendation to the Appointing Body for approval.



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.

Induction and Training of Trustees

New trustees will undergo an induction delivered primarily by the chair of trustees. This will include introduction to their responsibilities and oversight of their tasks until such a point as the new trustee is sufficiently competent in their role. Documentation will also be shared with new trustees in accordance with the provisions of the charity's constitution.

Organisational Structure and Related Parties

In the period covered by this Annual Report, the charity has split its support between five projects in Zambia: the 'Bridges' project, 'Scholarship' programme, "Emergency Fund"; the 'Porridge Club' programme; and a Capital building project. As the charity expands, the trustees will consider supporting additional projects as appropriate. There are appointed lead trustees for each of these projects, see detail above.

All programmes look to utilise the knowledge and expertise of individuals in Zambia. These individuals may include teachers, religious leaders, those who work in education or care settings, and those affiliated with organisations which distribute aid and support. Of particular note are several Roman Catholic nuns who are members of the Salesian Sisters community in Zambia, those who work with the Sisters of Mercy (a religious organisation distributing food and basic provisions in Zambia), staff at the 'City of Joy' orphanage in Zambia, and where appropriate teaching staff at the schools and colleges where SHARE fund tuition fees.

Trustees hold meetings with these individuals as appropriate to better understand how charitable funding can be best distributed in accordance with SHARE's charitable objectives. All decision making remains the purview of trustees, who retain ultimate responsibility for the distribution of all funds.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The charity's objectives have not changed since the SHARE's inception. In accordance with Schedule 3 of SHARE's constitution, the charity continues to have three charitable objectives:

Relief of Poverty

SHARE seeks to assist with the prevention and relief of poverty in Sub-Saharan Africa, primarily but not exclusively in Zambia, by providing grants to individuals, schools and religious communities for: the provision of nutrition and creating a sustainable means of food production (such as crops), providing housing to young people who, for reasons of recently

leaving the care setting, youth and parental bereavement, are currently unable to provide for their own needs in this respect.

Advancing Education

SHARE seeks to advance education, primarily but not exclusively of young women and girls (typically under the age of 25) in Africa who are unable to access education due to poverty or gender discrimination, in particular but not exclusively by: Awarding scholarships, maintenance allowances or grants for use at any university, college or institution of higher or further education. Assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.

Providing grants to schools and religious communities for capital projects for building, extending and repairing schools. To act as a resource for young people by providing advice and assistance and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of: advancing in life and society as independent, mature and responsible individuals. By supporting the work of the Salesian Sisters in this respect by offering grants. For example, by supporting football teams which work to develop mature and responsible individuals provided by the Salesian sisters in Zambia with our governance. Providing grants to those over the age of 25 if it pertains to supporting young people.

Advancing Religion

To advance the religion and teaching of the Catholic Church in young people by creating practical opportunities to develop their understanding of religious beliefs and practices. These practices are limited to those properly deemed charitable pursuant to section 7 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005; section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008; and any other restrictions concerning this charitable pursuit.

The primary activities of the charity have remained unchanged since the last financial year. However, for transparency and ease of accounting, the Trustee Board made the decision [Cf. TB Meeting 19/03/2024] to label some of the funding which previous fell within the scope of the 'Bridges' Programme to be labelled as an 'Emergency' Programme. Details of this are set out below.

Bridges Programme

The 'Bridges' programme supports individuals who have recently left secondary education and are either pursuing traditional tertiary education, or those who have immediate safeguarding, health, or welfare needs. Of particular concern are those individuals who have recently left care settings, or those who are temporarily prevented from continuing education because of a particular need; for example, falling pregnant or poor health. During this period, all those currently supported by the programme have been girls who were previously living at the 'City of Joy' girl's orphanage in Mazabuka, Zambia. By definition this means all girls would have been orphaned or taken out of extreme poverty or dangerous family situations and so do not have family support once they leave this orphanage.

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)

Bridges funding is distributed to cover: tuition fees; accommodation fees while studying; upkeep allowance to assist with the purchase of school requisites, food and clothing.

Emergency Programme

In exceptional circumstances, the SHARE funds 'emergency' welfare payments. For example, to support medical costs, funds to support accommodation, or funds to purchase basic requisites such as food, clothing and basic goods. These payments were typically to individuals who were already being supported by the charity in education and came from situations of extreme poverty. For example, the Bridges programme funds girls to pursue education immediately having left the 'City of Joy' orphanage in Mazabuka, Zambia. Most of these individuals have no family support and so in the instance of scenarios such as this, have no support network. These have historically resulted in situations involving welfare issues arising.

SHARE's support of these individuals is always decided by reference to SHARE's charitable objectives, namely, relief from poverty and the advancement of education. Decisions about whether to provide funding has always been decided on a case-by-case basis when these unexpected circumstances arise.

In the interests of transparency, it was decided by the Trustees that emergency payments of this kind would be better labelled as a distinct 'emergency' project. This labelling would make budgeting and reviewing accounts easier, and would reflect that the core aim of the Bridges Project is to facilitate education. The Trustee Board are satisfied that both the Bridges Programme and the newly labelled Emergency Programme fall within the SHARE's charitable objectives.

It was decided that this project would be administered by a newly established 'Ethics Board'. This sub-group of trustees meets as and when needed to consider cases on a case-by-case basis and determine whether individual welfare situations qualify for emergency funding against SHARE's charity objectives.

Scholarships (Mazabuka Community Scholarships)

SHARE provide a number of scholarships to in order to allow individuals to attend schools, colleges and university. Generally, the scholarship funding will be limited to tuition fees only and will not include accommodation costs or living support. Trustees with particular responsibility for the scholarship programme work with contacts in Zambia, including teachers, religious leaders and those who work in care and education, to identify individuals to support. Appropriate candidates are selected by reference to academic potential; those who may be in a position or poverty or safeguarding; and those who have potential to give back to the community.

Selection is always done in accordance with SHARE's charitable objectives and trustees have the ultimate discretion about which individuals receive scholarships. The trustees are satisfied that the provision of scholarships satisfy SHARE's charitable objectives of advancing education and relieving poverty.

SHARE has recently focused on funding education for young women in Zambia who have recently left the City of Joy orphanage and are unable to continue in education without funding. The Mazabuka community

scholarships aim to target similar individuals in the local community in Mazabuka, Zambia.

Porridge Club Programme

SHARE supports a porridge programme at Loyubolola School in Mazabuka, Zambia. The Porridge programme pays for approximately 1000 children to have a meal of porridge before the start of school in every day of term time. This school is in an extremely impoverished area with many children unable to afford meals, and some of whom the provision of porridge may be the only meal they receive that day.

SHARE is the sole funding source for this project and costs go towards cooking ingredients, supplies and equipment; basic cutlery and plates; kitchen repairs; and any other associated running costs.

The trustees are satisfied that the provision of food in a school environment both facilitates education and works to relieve the impact of poverty. For these reasons, the trustees continue to be satisfied that project advances SHARE's charitable objectives.

Capital/ Building Project

SHARE intends to support the construction costs of a new school classroom block at Don Bosco Primary School in school in Luwingu, Zambia. This is a large financial commitment for the charity, and not one SHARE is currently in a position to fully support. However, trustees have worked on initial planning stages, including gathering plans, estimates and understanding potential co-partners who might help fund the project with us. It is anticipated SHARE will work alongside two partners in Zambia to help provide the funding necessary to complete the project.

Given that the development of a school would facilitate better education facilities in an extremely impoverished area, the trustees are satisfied that this project is aligned with SHARE's charitable objectives.

This project was hoped to have been completed by this time. Due to funding issues in Zambia, this project is still under review by the trustees.

City of Joy Girl's Orphanage, Mazabuka Zambia

For completeness, SHARE retains a close relationship with the City of Joy orphanage in Zambia. This orphanage houses approximately 100 girls, all of whom are in education and without parents or taken out of extreme poverty or dangerous family situations. SHARE trustees consider financially supporting the running costs of this orphanage to be in accordance with SHARE's charitable objectives. However, as the orphanage has other sources of income, this support is not always necessary. In the period relevant to this Annual Report, no funding has been given to the City of Joy.

STATUTORY DECLARATION

All decisions of the trustees have been made in mind of the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and the specific charitable objectives of SHARE.

At the time of circulating this report for approval, trustees were directed towards the guidance found [here](#).

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.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Bridges Programme

The Bridges Project is now one SHARE's best-established projects. In previous years this programme would also include welfare payments made to vulnerable individuals who were receiving scholarships from the charity. This has now been separated into a newly formed 'Emergency Fund' which is administered by an Ethics Committee made up of trustees. The Trustee Board were satisfied that this process added transparency to how we administer welfare payments. This means that the Bridges Programme is now exclusively a scholarship fund, which also includes accommodation costs and some upkeep allowance for students at university or college in Zambia.

These scholarships are intended to support those leaving the City of Joy orphanage in Mazabuka, Zambia. This is a girls orphanage and girls are required to leave once they finish secondary education. These scholarships allow them to progress to colleges and universities where they would otherwise not have that opportunity.

The Bridges programme has supported 22 individuals in the period relevant to this Annual Report; some of whom for the entire period and some who finished or began their studies in December 2024 or January 2025. This funding has supported educational tuition fees (at both universities and technical colleges); accommodation fees at those

institutions to facilitate studies; upkeep money to provide for school requisites and other basic needs to facilitate study (for example food and clothing); and education placement programmes required as part of an academic course.

In this period, a total of £24,040.00 was spent to support the Bridges programme.

Scholarship Programme – Mazabuka Community Scholarships

In this period, SHARE awarded educational scholarships to young people in Zambia. There were no additional unexpected costs or associated welfare needs.

In 2023-2024 SHARE funded two scholarships on this programme, it was always the intention of the charity that this programme would expand. SHARE increased the number of those funded to 10 this year.

These scholarships were all for young people who would otherwise not be able to afford to continue in Education. SHARE has funded scholarships since the charity's inception. It had been the intention for some time that the charity would look to grow beyond the Bridges scholarship programme. Trustees will keep scholarships as a whole under review and will consider how best scholarships can be administered and distributed in line with our charitable objectives.

In this period, a total of £2,700.00 was spent to support the Scholarship programme.

Porridge Programme

The porridge programme has continued to run smoothly in the last year, only encountering difficulties dealing with the fluctuating price of grain in Zambia, and a period of school closure due to a cholera outbreak in Zambia. Following the cholera outbreak, the Zambian government ordered the closure of most schools.

The porridge programme has successfully supported the provision of porridge during term time to approximately 1000 students. During this period funds were spent on cooking ingredients, equipment and cooking supplies and plates for porridge distribution.

In this period, a total of £8,802.06 was spent to support the Porridge programme.

Ethics/ Emergency Fund

During this period, the ethics sub-committee has met to agree a framework of criteria against which to assess cases of need brought to its attention by our partners in Zambia. Funding is awarded from the emergency fund in order to remove a young person from immediate need or danger and is made in accordance with the charity's stated objective to relieve poverty. Funding has been awarded to females in this period but is not restricted by gender. These young people are in immediate need of provision of food, safe accommodation and/or medical support. They

are known to SHARE and the Salesian Community in Zambia (having previously been under one of its programmes) but their immediate need falls outside of SHARE active programmes and they have recourse to no funding sources other than SHARE. The emergency fund responds to situations of crisis in which poverty is either the sole factor or a major factor.

In this period funding has been awarded to one young woman in order to secure her accommodation, whilst she recovers her health, and to pay for the food and medicines which will enable her to become well. Her poor health has made it impossible for her to continue with her employment and her health issues are caused by chronic malnutrition. Funding has paid for vitamin supplements and evidence has been received that these are purchased. Funding will continue and the board will continue to review her situation.

Another young woman has received funding in order for her to move away from a violent family home where she was under constant danger of harm. Funding was awarded for 3 months.

On two occasions funding was awarded not for the young person but for their very young children. It was felt that a girl's connection to SHARE can extend to her young dependents in certain emergency situations. These are one off payments. In one instance funding paid for immediate hospital treatment for a severe head injury suffered by a 2-year-old boy and in another, for hearing aids for the 3-year-old son of an ex City of Joy girl who, owing to his lack of hearing, had yet to learn to speak. The hearing aids were unaffordable for his single mother and his disability was preventing her, and would continue to prevent her, being able to work to support them both.

Finally, one ex City of Joy girl received public transport costs to get her and her new-born child to the house of her sister where she, and the child, could be cared for following a caesarean operation.

Funding is not intended to be indefinite; it can either be awarded as a single payment to alleviate a specific critical situation or it can be awarded, and kept under review, for a prolonged situation.

In this period, a total of £1,220.00 was spent to support the Emergency Fund.

Capital/ Building Project

The project was delayed starting in Zambia for a number of reasons including: a short available construction period due to rainy seasons in Zambia; a cholera outbreak in January 2024, closing many schools and universities; and inadequate funds to complete the project.

SHARE is acting as one of three funders contributing to the building project. The other two funders are based in Zambia. This project has been particularly challenging to manage due to funding issues from the Zambian partners. It is still the charity's intention to provide funding to the project. As SHARE cannot afford to fund the project as a whole, trustees are keeping this situation under consideration.

The foundations of this project have now been laid, and further work is able to continue at the rate funds are available. £5,000.00 was paid

Section D

Achievements and performance

towards these costs during this period and SHARE plan to continue fundraising in anticipation that the project will be complete in 25/26 financial year.

Overheads

Last year, the Charity took the decision to invest in IT infrastructure. Primarily money developing a website and giving email access to trustees. It was the view of the Trustee Board that the size of the charity meant that this was a justifiable expenditure and that maintaining a website was an important marketing tool to attract donations and to give donors further information about the Charity's work.

In this period, SHARE spent £725.64 on admin and IT costs.

Sending money to Zambia via a traditional bank transfer attracts bank transaction fees. In this period, the total amount spent on transaction fees was £165.00. Trustees have discussed whether alternative methods of transferring money might reduce the running costs associated with sending money; however, in mind of security sending money, transparency of accounting, and the two-factor authentication which has been set up on our bank account, this method is deemed to be the most appropriate.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At the end of this period, the charity had cash in bank amounting to the balance of £56,047.00. At this time, the charity does not have a formally agreed policy regarding reserves. However, some monies are kept allowing for unexpected fluctuations in funding required for various projects.

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.

In the period of the Annual Report, SHARE's principal sources of funds were:

Individual donors: £45,686.34

Corporate donations: £5,043

Collective donations as a direct result of fundraising: £11,036.14

HMRC Gift Aid claim: £16,807.03

The charity does not own any assets other than monies held in the charity's bank account.

Section F**Other optional information**

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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)

Michael Williams

Position (eg Secretary, Chair,
etc)

Chair

Date

14 April 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

SHARE

1197901

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

06/04/2024

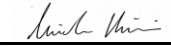
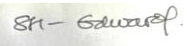
To

05/04/2025

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					
Individual / personal donations	45,686	-	-	45,686	1,771
Corporate donations	5,044	-	-	5,044	3,135
Collective donations as a result of fundraising	11,036	-	-	11,036	20,471
HMRC Gift Aid claim / payment	16,807	-	-	16,807	-
Returned payments	-	-	-	-	4,952
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	78,573	-	-	78,573	30,329
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	78,573	-	-	78,573	30,329
A3 Payments					
Bank charges for international payments	-	165	-	165	165
Grants to nutrition programme	-	8,802	-	8,802	8,359
Grants for scholarships	-	2,700	-	2,700	6,117
Grants to Capital project	-	5,000	-	5,000	3,000
Grants to the Bridges programme	-	24,040	-	24,040	15,740
Grants to the Emergency fund	-	1,220	-	1,220	-
Admin / IT costs	726	-	-	726	658
Grants to CoJ	-	-	-	-	2,500
Rejected pymnts by bank	-	-	-	-	5,000
Sub total	726	41,927	-	42,653	41,539
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	726	41,927	-	42,653	41,539
Net of receipts/(payments)	77,848	- 41,927	-	35,921	- 11,210
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,283	17,843	-	20,126	-
Cash funds this year end	80,131	- 24,084	-	56,047	- 11,210

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	Cash in bank at EOY	42,522	13,525	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	42,522	13,525	-
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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	
		Michael Williams	14th April	
		Sue Haworth-Edwards	14th April	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

SHARE

On accounts for the year
ended

5th April 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1197901

Set out on pages

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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 **6th April 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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:

Date:

16th April 2025

Name:

Elena Reggler (Mrs)

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

Accounts Manager at Cheyney Goulding Solicitors LLP and also Treasurer of the Aldershot and Farnham Hockey Club (Affiliated Sports Club – England Hockey)

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

