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Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

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Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2022

Charity number: 1199098
Legal Status: Charitable Incorporated Organization
Registered office: 116A Acre Lane, London SW2 5RA, United Kingdom
Contact number: 07946357413.
Website: https: //www.uniformedcharity.org/

Trustees:

Farrah Barber- Chair 01 April 2022
Crystabel Mbagwu- Member 28 October 2022
Gabor Marton- Member 26 May 2022
Puay Ling Lee - Member 26 May 2022
Alexander Brunner- Member 26 May 2022

Bankers:

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Trustee Report for the year ended 31 December 2022

The trustees present their report and the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022. The account has been prepared in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act").

Objectives & activities

The trustees review the aims, objectives, and activities of the charity each year.

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

The principal objects of Uniformed is to alleviate the impact of poverty on children by providing school uniformed support to disadvantaged families. We aim to do this through the provision of school uniform vouchers to children from disadvantaged families.

Achievements and performance

2022 was an exciting year for Uniformed as it was our first year in operation, and we were able to hit the ground running and achieve a range of milestones.

Charity Set Up

Setting up and successfully registering as a Charity was a complicated process, but meant that we could now operate as an organisation. We finalised and adopted our constitution, and successfully applied for registration as a Charity, with registration effective from 26 May 2022. We also successfully set up our banking facilities and our online donation channel via PayPal.

Website

Our website went 'live' for the first time in April 2022, and has been consistently upgraded to a high standard ever since. The website is our principal means of engagement with the public, communicating our vision and raising funds.

Partnerships during the year:

The Kemnal Academy Trust

The Kemnal Academy Trust (TKAT) is one of the UK's largest and most socio-economically challenged multi-academy trusts (MATs). We initially reached out to TKAT in November 2022, and had a working partnership by December 2022. We work closely with David Churchill, their Head of Opportunity, who has been a consistent support for us as an organisation.

We now work with the below schools as a result of our partnership with TKAT:

- Tangmere Primary Academy
- Salmestone Academy
- Dame Janet Primary
- Newlands Primary
- Northdown Primary
- Draper Mills Academy

Price and Buckland

Our uniform vouchers provider during the year was Price & Buckland. Our service model operates as follows:

- We raise money from grant-making bodies.
- We buy vouchers at cost from Price & Buckland (£30) and provide vouchers to families at price (£50)
- We provide vouchers to schools to distribute to parents in need.

Funding from Grants

During the period, we applied for numerous grants and successfully raised unrestricted grants of £5,250 pounds.

Voucher provision

Our school uniform vouchers are provided to children from disadvantaged families through our partner schools. During the year, we successfully issued 101 vouchers to Co-op Academy (Glebe Academy) and Alpha Academy (Discovery Academy).

Challenges during the year

Voucher utilisation

Our major challenge during the year was voucher utilisation. We envisage that this will improve in the future as we have invested more time in providing communications and guides on how to redeem vouchers. We would also be allocating a significant amount of time to follow up with partner schools on a regular basis to receive feedback on any potential difficulty families encounter around voucher redemption.

Financial Review

Uniformed is reporting a closing cash balance of £4,878 for the year ended 31 December 2022, with operating period commencing on 26th May 2022.

The sources of funding this year have been:

- Grants
- Individual donors

Uniformed receives a significant portion of our funding from grants.

The income funds the costs of school uniform vouchers and other operating expenses related to running the charity. These costs include (but not limited to) Google Cloud payments, website hosting fees and bank charges.

Grant receipts during the year was £5,250 and individual donations £730.

Uniformed spend on redeemed voucher provision was £660. This was due to the low level of voucher utilisation by recipient schools and a need to establish more connections with partner schools.

Other operating expenses amounted to £443.

Reserves policy

Our policy is to maintain an operating reserve account and sufficient cash balances to ensure the stability of the charity and day-to-day operations. The operating reserve is intended to provide an internal source of funds for situations such as an unanticipated decline in fundraising. There are no staff costs or contractual commitments to suppliers.

Reserves

At the year-end Uniformed had £1200 set aside as reserves, to cover the Charity's financial commitments for 6 months in the event of any shortfall in funding. The reserve forms part of the cash balance as at year end.

Going concern

The trustees are not aware of any uncertainties regarding the charity continuing as a going concern.

Future

As part of our ambitious plan, we intend to work towards the achievement of the following goals:

- Improve voucher utilisation from current position of 20% to 80%
- Launch a Hardship Fund for the provision of uniform vouchers to disadvantaged families outside of our partner school network.
- Provision of 600 vouchers
    - 400 being for Partner schools.
    - 200 Vouchers for Hardship Fund
- Build new partnerships with grant organisations and schools.

Structure, governance, and management

Uniformed is a Charitable Incorporated Organization (CIO), which was registered as a charity on 26 May 2022. The objects and powers of the charity are set out in its Constitution (the Governing Document).

The charity's only voting members are its trustees. Four were the founding members of the CIO, and all welcome approaches from anyone with skills that are useful to the charity.

The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 3 to the accounts.

The trustees communicate frequently by email, and formal meetings are held via Google meet.

Related parties and relationships with other organisations

There are no related parties, or relationships with other organisations.

Remuneration policy for key management personnel

As all personnel act voluntarily, there is no remuneration policy.

Funds held by Trustees on behalf of others.

No such funds are held.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
Signed on their behalf by



Signature:

Full name(s): Farrah Barber

Position: Founder, Chair of Trustees

Date: 24th August 2023

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Uniformed Charity	1199098

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 26/05/2022	To	Period end date 31-Dec-22

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					
Grant	5,250	-	-	5,250	-
Individual donations	731	-	-	731	-
		-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	5,981	-	-	5,981	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
None	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	5,981	-	-	5,981	-
A3 Payments					
Uniform Vouchers	660	-	-	660	-
Google cloud payments	389	-	-	389	-
Google monthly charges	54	-	-	54	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,103	-	-	1,103	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,103	-	-	1,103	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,878	-	-	4,878	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	4,878	-	-	4,878	-

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	4,541	-	-
	Cash in Hand	80	-	-
	Paypal	257	-	-
	Total cash funds	4,878	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	None	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	None		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	None		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	December Google cloud payment	Unrestricted	61	January
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Farrah Barber		Farrah Barber	24th August 2023
Puay Ling Lee		Puay Ling Lee	20 Aug 2023