

**Ukraine to Chilterns
Charitable Incorporated Organisation**

Annual Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Charity Number 1200220

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name: Ukraine to Chilterns Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Charity registration number: 1200220

Registered Office:

Green Pastures
Lower Road
Loosley Row
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Buckinghamshire
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Trustees:

Mrs Louisa Spearing (Chair)
Mrs Olena Boboshko-Harbus
Mrs Caroline Gulliver (Treasurer)
Rev Susan Claire Hughes
Mrs Marie Louise Morley
Mrs Elizabeth Thomas-Davies
Mrs Nataliia Zagrebelna

Bankers: National Westminster

Website: ukraine2chilterns.com

Trustees' Report

The Board of Trustees presents its Trustees' Report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Aims and Objectives

The objects of the Charity are twofold:

- To relieve the needs of Ukrainians granted refugee status under the Homes for Ukraine scheme and their hosts in Princes Risborough, Loosley Row, Lacey Green, Speen and other nearby villages in the South Buckinghamshire Chilterns area, by the provision of practical and financial assistance, advice and support.
- The provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life of those persons who are Ukrainian refugees in this country under the Homes for Ukraine scheme.

Review of achievements

As we mark the third anniversary of the Ukraine to Chilterns charity, we reflect on a year of continued support, creativity, and community resilience. Our mission to help Ukrainian refugees and their host families in Buckinghamshire and the Chilterns remains as vital as ever, and our network of volunteers, partners, and supporters continues to grow.

On 23 February 2025, we gathered for a moving service at St Mary's Church to commemorate the third anniversary of the conflict and our Charity's founding. The event brought together guests, hosts, and supporters to reflect, remember, and renew our commitment to supporting those affected by the ongoing war.

Regular Activities and Support

Creative Conversation Meetings

Our monthly Creative Conversation sessions at The Dairy, Culverton Farm, have become a cornerstone of our community, offering a welcoming space for Ukrainians and locals to connect through art, language, and shared experiences. These meetings are held on the last Saturday of each month, from 1–3pm.

Maker and Fixer Workshops

On the third Sunday of every month, also at The Dairy, we host Maker and Fixer sessions. These hands-on gatherings bring together people of all ages to build, repair, and create—strengthening practical skills and friendships alike.

Fireside Chat & Cultural Presentations

We were delighted to partner with the Chiltern Open Air Museum for a fireside chat and presentation exploring different cultures and what they mean to those now living in England. We also supported the production of a short Ukrainian film and held the premier at Pinewood Studios. These events have helped foster understanding, celebrate diversity, and share personal stories within our wider community.

Practical Help and Guidance

We have extended our Trustees to include two of our Ukrainian guests. We feel strongly that they should have an active say in how we manage this, their charity. Their knowledge of the most pressing issues affecting Ukrainians and how we can best support them is invaluable.

Visa Extensions and Support

This year, we have provided significant assistance to families navigating the complex process of extending visas. Our team has offered guidance, information, and hands-on help to ensure that Ukrainian guests can remain safe and settled in the UK.

Signposting and Information

We offer up-to-date information and signposting to services, helping families access education, healthcare, employment, and other essential support. To aid in this we are working on improving our current website to make it more accessible.

Clothes Barn

Our Clothes Barn, run by a team of volunteers, continues to provide essential clothing and supplies to families in need, ensuring that everyone has access to seasonal and suitable attire. The barn, use of which is generously donated free of charge, provides a space for donated and new items of clothing to be collected, tried on and distributed among Ukrainian families.

Financial Support: Grants and Opportunities

Educational and Extracurricular Grants

We have awarded grants to help children access educational resources and extracurricular activities, supporting their learning, wellbeing, and integration into local schools and clubs. We have also continued to offer 'moving on' grants to our adult Ukrainian community.

Short Film Project

A highlight of the year was helping a group of young Ukrainians bring their short film to market, culminating in a premiere at Pinewood Studios. This project showcased their talent and resilience, and gave our community a powerful platform for storytelling.

Family Activities and Social Events

Kop Hill Climb & Soap Box Challenge

At the Kop Hill Climb event, the soap box challenge - including months of building and a weekend of racing, is always a huge success—bringing together Ukrainian and English families for teamwork, creativity, and fun.

Financial Review

The overall result for the year ended 31 March 2025 was a deficit on the general fund of £1,507. Income was achieved through a combination of grants, donations and gift aid claims, and we are immensely grateful to all who have supported us.

Expenditure has largely been by way of grants, both for Under 18s and adults as noted above.

Unrestricted funds at 31 March 2025 amounted to £8,452 with a further £878 being held in the restricted fund. All funds are held at National Westminster Bank.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees aim to maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds of at least £1,000. The Trustees consider that this level will provide sufficient funds to respond to applications for grants and ensure that welfare support and governance costs can be covered.

Looking Ahead

The need for our support remains as pressing as ever, with the war in Ukraine continuing and families facing ongoing challenges. We are proud of the strong, supportive community we have built together, and we remain committed to providing practical help, creative opportunities, and a warm welcome to all.

We are deeply grateful to our trustees, volunteers, donors, and partners—your generosity and dedication make everything we do possible.

For more information, to get involved, or to support our work, please visit our website or contact us directly.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document: The organisation is a charitable incorporated organisation registered as a charity on 31 August 2022 and governed by its Constitution.

Charity Trustees:

The Trustees who held office at the end of the year under review are set out page 3.

The first charity Trustees, appointed on 31 August 2022, and their periods of appointment were as follows:

Mrs Louisa Spearing (Chair)	4 years
Mrs Louise Brooks-Usher (Secretary)	4 years
Mrs Catherine Collet-Fenson	3 years
Mrs Caroline Gulliver (Treasurer)	3 years
Mrs Elizabeth Thomas-Davies	2 years
His Honour Christopher Tyrer DL	2 years

- Mrs Louise Brooks-Usher resigned as a Trustee on 21 November 2024.
- His Honour Christopher Tyrer DL was reappointed as a Trustee on 31 August 2024 and resigned as a Trustee on 20 February 2025.
- Mrs Elizabeth Thomas-Davies was reappointed as a Trustee on 31 August 2024 for a period of 3 years. Mrs Catherine Collet-Fenson resigned as a Trustee following the conclusion of her term of office on 30 August 2025.
- Mrs Caroline Gulliver was reappointed as a Trustee on 31 August 2025 for a period of 3 years

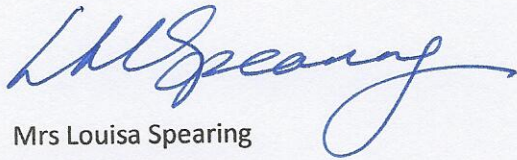
New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees having regard to skills, knowledge and experience needed for effective administration of the CIO. New trustees serve for a period of three years after which they may put themselves forward for re-appointment.

- Mrs Ola Cross and Mrs Marie Louise Morley were appointed at a meeting of the Trustees on 3 November 2022 for a period of 3 years. Mrs Ola Cross resigned as a Trustee on 30 September 2024.
- Mrs Olena Boboshko-Harbuz was appointed at a meeting of the Trustees on 2 October 2024 for a period of 3 years.

- Mrs Natalia Zagrebelna and Rev Susan Hughes were appointed at a meeting of the Trustees on 20 February 2025 for a period of 3 years.

The Trustees consider themselves as comprising the key management personnel of the Charity in charge of directing and controlling its activities and running and operating the Charity on a day to day basis. All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee remuneration was paid in the year.

The Trustees consider that neither an audit nor an independent examination is required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 as the gross income of the charity is less than £25,000.



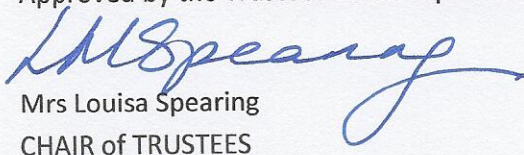
Mrs Louisa Spearing
CHAIR of TRUSTEES

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Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Year ended 31 March 2025			Year ended 31 March 2024		
	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
RECEIPTS	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants	1,000	-	1,000	5,700	7,200	12,900
Donations	866	1,328	2,194	1,887	-	1,887
Fundraising	-	-	-	1,671	-	1,671
Gift Aid	800	-	800	-	-	-
Interest	135	-	135	127	-	127
	<u>2,801</u>	<u>1,328</u>	<u>4,129</u>	<u>9,385</u>	<u>7,200</u>	<u>16,585</u>
Payments						
Individual grants	3,560	1,775	5,335	2,335	6,030	8,365
Entertainment	500	-	500	421	-	421
Gifts	-	-	-	222	-	222
Goods and services	174	-	174	635	1,200	1,835
Ukrainian business support	74	-	74	60	-	60
Clothes barn	-	-	-	3	-	3
Fundraising expenses	-	-	-	347	-	347
	<u>4,308</u>	<u>1,775</u>	<u>6,083</u>	<u>4,023</u>	<u>7,230</u>	<u>11,253</u>
Excess of receipts over payments	<u>(1,507)</u>	<u>(447)</u>	<u>(1,954)</u>	<u>5,362</u>	<u>(30)</u>	<u>5,332</u>
Transfer between funds	75	(75)	-	(430)	430	-
Net funds at 1 April	<u>9,884</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>11,284</u>	<u>4,952</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>5,952</u>
Net Funds at 31 March	<u>8,452</u>	<u>878</u>	<u>9,330</u>	<u>9,884</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>11,284</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 17 September 2025 and signed on their behalf by:


Mrs Louisa Spearing
CHAIR of TRUSTEES

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Statement of Asset and Liabilities as at 31 March 2025

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Monetary Assets			
NatWest Business Current account	1,141	-	1,141
NatWest Business Reserve account	7,311	205	7,516
Other monetary assets	-	673	673
TOTAL	8,452	878	9,330

Statement of Asset and Liabilities as at 31 March 2024

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Monetary Assets			
NatWest Business Current account	903	-	903
NatWest Business Reserve account	8,981	1,400	10,381
TOTAL	9,884	1,400	11,284

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Notes to the Accounts

1. Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 on a receipts and payments basis.

2. Funds

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the Constitution.

The movement in restricted funds during the year were:

	Balance b/f	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
Film Night proceeds	-	878	-		878
NARIC certificate	-	450	(450)	-	-
Independent Living	400		(400)	-	-
TESOL Qualification	1,000		(925)	(75)	-
	<u>1,400</u>	<u>1,328</u>	<u>(1,775)</u>	<u>(75)</u>	<u>878</u>

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the Trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the Trustees, at their discretion, create a fund for a specific purpose. There are currently no designated funds.

3. There were no non-monetary assets, liabilities or provisions at 31 March 2025 (2024: None)