

CARE IN ACTION MALAWI

England & Wales · Charity number 1200815

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-10-25

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1.THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN MALAWI BY PROVIDING OR 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.2. THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN MALAWI BY PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES AND SUPPORTING SCHOOL-BASED LEARNING.3. TO DEVELOP THE CAPACITY AND SKILLS OF THE MEMBERS OF SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES OF MALAWI IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY, AND HELP MEET, THEIR NEEDS AND TO PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN SOCIETY.4. THE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AMONG PEOPLE LIVING OR WORKING IN MALAWI BY PROVIDING SUCH PERSONS WITH GOODS AND SERVICES WHICH THEY COULD NOT OTHERWISE AFFORD THROUGH LACK OF MEANS.

Activities: Care in Action Malawi recognizes that education is key to escaping poverty, so will work with Community Based Organisations in Malawi to sponsor school and university fees, early child development and learning support. We aim to give all the necessary support to help individuals be self-sufficient and organisations to grow their capacity, including giving aid in times of disaster or hardship.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Malawi

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£9,037	£11,333	-	-
2024-04-05	£18,909	£9,571	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jasmine Ruth Lehnis	Chair	2022-01-26
Emma Vanson		2022-01-26
Esther Lucy Wolff		2022-01-26
Hon Michael Paul Willis		2022-01-26
Sharah Chikwana-Amani		2022-02-16

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Accounts

Care in Action Malawi - Trustees' Annual Report

For the period from: **06 April 2024**

to: **05 April 2025**

Section A Reference and administration details

Registered charity number:	1200815
Address:	52 Stonefall Avenue, Harrogate, HG2 7NP, UK
Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity:	Jasmine Lehnis Emma Vanson Esther Wolff Michael Willis Sarah Chikwana-Amani

Section B Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	Constitution, last updated in August 2023
How the charity is constituted	Care in Action Malawi is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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Section C

Objectives and activities

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

Purposes to be achieved in Malawi:

1. The prevention or relief of poverty by enabling individuals to become self-sufficient
2. The advancement of education for the public benefit
3. To develop the capacity and skills of the members of socially and economically disadvantaged communities
4. The relief of financial hardship for persons with lack of means

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

Care in Action Malawi recognizes that education is key to escaping poverty, so we work with Community Based Organisations in Malawi to sponsor school and university fees. We aim to give all the necessary support to help individuals be self-sufficient and organisations to grow their capacity, including giving aid in times of disaster or hardship.

In planning our activities for the year and approving how funds raised would be spent, we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

1. Education: university sponsorship for eight students

Eight students were supported with help from Lancing College, by working together with local partner GEMO Manja Othandiza. Lancing College were able to meet some of the sponsored students when they visited Malawi in July 2024. All of the students would not have been able to afford higher education without sponsorship.

Funding enabled the three students sponsored in 2023 to continue their studies, all receiving excellent grades in their modules:

Promise Matope – Child Health Nursing

Brighton Majonanga – Optometry

Veronica Kadewere – Forestry and Environmental Management

Three new students were supported, including Promise Chimkulu, a girl we sponsored in secondary school in 2023:

Viktor Kaleka - Bachelor of Education (Mathematics and Chemistry)

Ben Kapena - Bachelor of Education Sciences

Promise Chimkulu – Nutrition and Food Security (2 year certificate)

The partnership with Chimbota Community Development Organisation continued, with two students sponsored for both fees and living costs for one year:

Mphatso Bwanali - Bachelor of Education in Secondary Humanities

Joven Zeluzisuzza - Bachelor of Education in Humanities

2. Education: secondary school fees for five disadvantaged children

We continued to fund five children who were motivated to complete secondary school but had been excluded because they couldn't afford fees: these were recommended by Chuma Community Clinic and supported with funds from Lancing College.

3. Hardship relief: assisting young adults with disabilities

A large donation which was received in March 2024 was sent in April 2024 to Chuma Community Clinic as agreed with the donor. This gave relief to five young adults with disabilities, enabling them to attend vocational training and cover living costs. Further donations were sent in January 2025 to help an additional girl with disabilities who was in crisis.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity will keep reserves for the purposes of protecting its ability to operate and for meeting commitments it has made to beneficiaries. For operating costs such as bank fees and website costs, the charity will reserve up to 10% of income. When students are approved for sponsorship in Malawi, the charity will keep sufficient funds for the students to complete their qualification course if there is no promise of new donations for those students for the next years.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

Besides grants sent to Malawi, the only expenses were bank charges. Website costs for the period will be repaid in the next financial year.

The main source of funding continued to be from Lancing College, as part of their decades-long interest in Malawi. We also received donations from individuals, including our first monthly donation.

Due diligence was followed for all funds sent to Malawi, with checks such as a review of receipts for university fees paid, or assessment of study reports, letters and photos from students, to ensure that funds fulfilled the purpose they were intended for.

Section F 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) Jasmine Ruth Lehnis

Position (eg
Secretary, Chair,
etc) Trustee

Date



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	06/04/2024	To	5/4/2025
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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					
		-	-	-	N/A
Voluntary Donations	8,637	-	-	8,637	18,158
Emergency Appeal		-	-	-	751
Regular Donation	-	400	-	400	N/A
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	N/A
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,637	400	-	9,037	18,909
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,637	400	-	9,037	18,909
A3 Payments					
Website / Communications		-	-	-	28
laptops for students		-	-	-	420
grants to malawi	11,148	-	-	11,148	9,048

Bank Charges	185	-	-	185	75
	-	-	-	-	n/a
	-	-	-	-	n/a
	-	-	-	-	n/a
	-	-	-	-	n/a
	-	-	-	-	n/a
Sub total	11,333	-	-	11,333	9,571
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	
Total payments	11,333	-	-	11,333	9,571
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,696	400	-	- 2,296	9,338
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,338	-	-	9,338	-
Cash funds this year end	6,642	400	-	7,042	9,338

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	Charity Current Account	6,642	400	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	6,642	400	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account (s))	OK	OK	OK

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

		-	-
		-	-

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

6641.95

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For the period from: **25 October 2022** to: **05 April 2024**

Section A

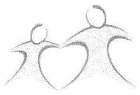
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Achievements and performance

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In our first 18 months as a charity, we have enabled potentially life-changing access to university and secondary school education for ten individuals who would otherwise have been excluded by poverty. When Cyclone Freddy created devastation in March 2023, we responded by raising funds and worked with local partners to identify the best way to relieve hardship.

1. Education: university sponsorship for five students

Four students were supported with help from Lancing College, by working together with local partner GEMO Manja Othandiza:

Promise Matope - Child Health Nursing

Brighton Majonanga - Optometry

Veronica Kadewere - Forestry and Environmental Management

Thandie Soko - Nursing and Midwifery

Thandie Soko contacted us after finding our information online. She had completed three years of Nursing studies, thanks to a bursary for the first year. She was in arrears and desperate to find help. Our payment of fees for two years ensured she could graduate as a Nurse in April 2024.

A fifth student was supported in partnership with Chimbota Community Development Organisation:

Jackson Kamanga - Food Security and Nutrition

Our funding sponsored his final semester to study Food Security and Nutrition. Jackson achieved his Bachelor of Science degree in October 2024.

Five laptops were purchased in the UK at a discounted rate and delivered to sponsored university students in Malawi to support their study and digital literacy.



2. Education: secondary school fees for five disadvantaged children

Five children had help for their education who were motivated to complete secondary school but had been excluded because they couldn't afford fees: these were recommended by Chuma Community Clinic and supported with funds from Lancing College.

3. Hardship relief: responding to devastation from Cyclone Freddy

Donations were used by our local partner Chimbota to purchase and distribute maize to hunger-stricken households as part of their "Za Njala" Hunger Project. Hunger was widespread after the floods had destroyed the maize crop which provides the food staple in Malawi. Our funds were used to buy 100 bags of maize for badly affected households in the Thyolo Thava constituency. These were distributed in Makhwasa, under the direction of the MP Hon Navicha and her team, reaching around 500 households. Media reports of the distribution can be seen here: [MP Mary Navicha breaks down in tears - Malawi Voice](#)

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Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

The main source of funding was from Lancing College, as part of their decades-long interest in Malawi. In addition to a donation from the College, they sent contributions from individuals. In this reporting period, Lancing College planned a school trip to Malawi for July 2024, which went ahead and enabled them to meet some of the students who they sponsored. This visit enabled a high level of transparency and accountability in terms of how their donations were used. Lancing College teachers reported how impressed they were with the confidence gained and progress of the students they met, as well as the initiative of the people in the communities we work with, and they are inspired to continue their support.

Key fundraising events in this period were a JustGiving page created with the aim of relieving hardship caused by Cyclone Freddy, and an anniversary event hosted by friends of Trustees where donations were given in the place of gifts.

In this period a company who wanted to support Malawi gave a donation for vocational training proposed by Chuma Community Clinic, which will enable further activities in our next year.



Due diligence was followed for all funds sent to Malawi, with checks such as a review of receipts for university fees paid, or assessment of study reports, letters and photos from students, to ensure that funds fulfilled the purpose they were intended for.



Section F 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)	Jasmine Ruth Lehnis	EMMA LOUISE VANSON
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	TRUSTEE

Date 5 February 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Care in Action Malawi

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

20/10/2022

To

03/04/2024

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A1 Receipts					
Donations	18,158	-	-	18,158	N/A
Emergency Appeal	751	-	-	751	N/A
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	N/A
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	18,909	-	-	18,909	-
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	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,909	-	-	18,909	-
A3 Payments					
Website / Communications	28	-	-	28	n/a
laptops for students	420	-	-	420	n/a
grants to malawi	9,048	-	-	9,048	n/a
Bank Charges	75	-	-	75	n/a
	-	-	-	-	n/a
	-	-	-	-	n/a
	-	-	-	-	n/a
	-	-	-	-	n/a
Sub total	9,571	-	-	9,571	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,571	-	-	9,571	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,338	-	-	9,338	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	EMMA VANSON	5/2/25