

OPEN DOORS PROJECT (HULL)

England & Wales · Charity number 1200838

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-10-27

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION OF SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AMONG REFUGEES, ASYLUM SEEKERS, AND MIGRANT WORKERS IN THE CITY OF HULL WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED ON THE GROUNDS OF THEIR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC POSITION, TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF SUCH PEOPLE, AND ASSIST THEM TO INTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY, BY PROVIDING: A) FOOD, CLOTHING, AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS; B) ADVOCACY AND GENERAL SUPPORT, INCLUDING THROUGH ASSISTANCE WITH SECURING ACCOMMODATION, INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION SERVICES, JOB SEARCH ASSISTANCE, AND ENGLISH CLASSES; C) RECREATIONAL AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES;

Activities: Open Doors Project (Hull), based at Princes Avenue Methodist Church, supports asylum seekers and refugees in the Hull area, by befriending, counselling, listening, by providing free food parcels, used and new donated items (e.g. clothing and household), limited cash support and housing costs for destitute asylum seekers, language and music sessions, tea/coffee and lunch one day per week.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Kingston Upon Hull City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£171,546	£79,742	-	-
2024-08-31	£84,344	£91,583	-	-
2023-08-31	£66,941	£97,311	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Michael Anthony Neal	Chair	2023-09-07
Barrie Thompson		2022-10-05
Carole Mowforth		2022-11-02
Doreen Skiven		2022-11-02
Ian David Morris		2024-07-31
Karen Ruth Van Diesen		2024-02-01
Marjorie Ann Brabazon		2025-09-10
Peter John Vince		2022-10-05
Roxana Shomari		2024-03-21
Terence Mervyn Williams		2026-05-19

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Period ending

31 August 2025

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**Trustees Annual Report
For the period ending 31 August 2025**

The Trustees present their report with the independently examined financial statements of Open Doors Project (Hull).

Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisers

Name of charity: Open Doors Project (Hull)

Charity Registration Number: 12000838

Charity's Principal Address: Open Doors Project (Hull)
91 Princes Avenue
Hull
East Yorkshire
HU5 3QP

Trustees:

Names of Trustees who served during the period and since the period end were as follows:-

Name:	Position:	Dates of service if not for the full period:
Rev Michael Neal	Chair	
Mr Barrie Thompson	Treasurer	First Trustee
Mr Ian Morris		
Mr John Vince		First Trustee
Mrs Roxana Shomari		
Mrs Karen Van Diesen		
Mrs Carole Mowforth		
Mrs Doreen Skiven		
Mrs Marjorie Ann Brabazon		
Mrs Jean Rippon		Resigned 15.08.25
Mr Peter Wheldale		Resigned 14.03.25

Independent Examiner: Rebecca Triffitt, MAAT
Practice Accountant, Employee of:
Phoenix Accountancy and Business Consultancy Limited
4-6 Roberts Street
Scunthorpe
North Lincolnshire
DN15 6NG

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Bankers:

Virgin Bank UK
10-12 Paragon Street
Hull
East Riding of Yorkshire
HU1 3ND

Epworth Investment Management Ltd
Methodist Church House
25 Tavistock Place
London
WC1H 9SF

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document:

Open Doors Project (Hull) is a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by its Constitution (foundation model), approved 15th June 2022. The organisation was registered with the Charity Commission on the 27th October 2022.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees:

The trustees form the Executive Committee of the charity. The members of the Executive Committee are elected at the Annual General Meeting by the members of the Charity. All members are circulated with invitations to nominate trustees in advance of the AGM.

The Constitution of the Charity states that there must be at least three charity trustees, with maximum limit of twelve.

All charity trustees are appointed for a 3 year term by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

Trustee Induction and Training:

All trustees are provided with the Charity Commissions 'Roles and Responsibilities of Trustees', the Constitution and the financial statements including the Annual Report. Any training required by the trustees may be requested at any point, where it is considered useful to their role as trustee.

Organisational Structure:

The board of Trustees manages the Charity, and aims to consider only strategic decisions at its meetings. Trustees will consider the public benefit in making decisions. Trustees are aware that any conflict of interest is declared and recorded and the person will be withheld

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from that part of the meeting and will not be able to vote for that bit of discussion. The board holds an AGM every year, other than that any charity trustee may call a meeting during the year.

Risk Management:

The major risks, to which the charity is exposed, as identified by the Trustees, have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. All systems and procedures are reviewed regularly to ensure they meet charity law and our own organisations aims and objectives.

Objectives and Activities

The charity's object is:

"The promotion of social inclusion for the public benefit among refugees, asylum seekers and migrant workers in the city of Hull who are socially excluded on the grounds of their social and economic position, to relieve the needs of such people, and assist them to integrate into society by providing:

A) Food, Clothing and household items.

B) Advocacy and general support, including through assistance with securing accommodation, interpretation and translation services, job search assistance and English classes.

C) Recreational and volunteer activities.

Main objectives for the following year:

In 2026 we will continue to deliver food parcels, advice and practical assistance and most importantly, a safe place to eat and socialise, rather than wandering the streets and parks.

Achievements and Performance

- Delivered Food Parcels
- Given advice and practical assistance
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Achievements and Performance (Con't)

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The charity reserves are currently healthy. At this present time there is no finance reserves policy in place, but have suggested that the charity should aim to keep 6 months running costs at all time.

Finance Review

During the financial year the charity received Income of £171,546 (2024 £84,344) and expenditure £79,742 (2024 £91,583). A large legacy payment was received which has boost they savings account, as the charity normally relies on grants and donations.

Plans for Future Years

Please see main objectives for the following year.

**Trustees Annual Report
For the period ending 31 August 2025**

Statement of Trustees responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing a Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. Hessle and Anlaby Food Bank has income below £250,000 and has therefore elected to prepare the financial statements on a Receipts and Payments basis in line with the Charities Act 2011.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of disclosure of information to Independent Examiner

We, the Trustees of the charity who held office at the date of approval of these financial statements, each confirm so far as we are aware, that:

- there is no relevant information of which the charity's Independent Examiner is unaware; and
- We have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken as Trustees in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the charity's independent examiners are aware of that information.

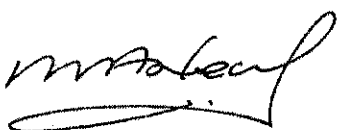
Independent Examiner

Rebecca Triffitt, MAAT from Phoenix Accountancy and Business Consultancy has been appointed as Independent Examiner for the period ending 31st August 2025.

Trustee Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees



Rev Michael Neal
Chair of Trustees

Date: 14th April 2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Open Doors Project (Hull).

I report on the accounts of Open Doors Project (Hull) for the period ending 31 August 2025, which are set out on pages 9 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I 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.

Rebecca Triffitt, MAAT
Practice Accountant, Employee of:
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Date: 22.4.26

Receipts and Payments Account
For the period ended 31 August 2025

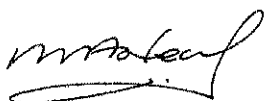
		2025	2025	2025	2024	2024	2024
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Notes	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
		£	£	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS	1						
Grants	2	6,410	-	6,410	52,475	-	52,475
Donations & Legacy	3	160,680	-	160,680	28,268	-	28,268
Gift Aids		1,929	-	1,929	2,534	-	2,534
Interest		2,527	-	2,527	892	-	892
Other		-	-	-	175	-	175
		171,546	-	171,546	84,344	-	84,344
PAYMENTS							
Wages	4	41,340	-	41,340	46,293	-	46,293
Food & Refreshments		7,165	7,706	14,871	9,947	5,137	15,084
Rent		5,780	-	5,780	2,400	-	2,400
Heat & Light		1,572	-	1,572	-	-	-
Insurance		549	-	549	362	-	362
Accommodation Costs		1,578	-	1,578	5,506	8,733	14,239
Equipment & Materials		360	-	360	1,456	-	1,456
Destitute Refused (DRAs)		1,470	-	1,470	5,320	-	5,320
Acts435 payment		1,092	-	1,092	1,314	-	1,314
Telephone & Internet		239	-	239	-	-	-
Travel & Subsistence		2,902	-	2,902	-	-	-
Equipment & Materials		4,180	-	4,180	-	-	-
Accounts Fee		(780)	-	(780)	780	-	780
Sundries		4,589	-	4,589	4,180	155	4,335
		72,036	7,706	79,742	77,558	14,025	91,583
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the period		99,510	(7,706)	91,804	6,786	(14,025)	(7,239)
Cash and Bank Balances brought forward		37,752	7,706	45,458	30,966	21,731	52,697
Cash and Bank Balances carried forward	5	137,262	-	137,262	37,752	7,706	45,458

The notes on pages 11 to 13 form part of these financial statements

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As at 31 August 2025**

	Notes	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Monetary Assets			
Current Account - Virgin		7,897	19,483
Savings Account - Virgin		24,501	13,502
Savings Account - Epworth		104,617	11,989
Petty Cash		247	484
Total Monetary Assets		137,262	45,458
Comprising:			
Unrestricted Funds		137,262	37,752
Restricted Funds	5	-	7,706
		<u>137,262</u>	<u>45,458</u>
Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities			
Fixed Assets for the Charity's use (at historical cost):			
		-	-
Pool Table		520	-
Football Table		122	-
5 14" HP Laptops		1,245	-
24" Screen		499	-
ASUS Vivobook 16		799	-
		<u>3,185</u>	<u>-</u>
Debtors		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Creditors		<u>480</u>	<u>780</u>

These financial statements have been approved by the committee on 14th April 2026 and signed on its behalf by:



Rev Michael Neal, Trustee

The notes on pages 11 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the period ended 31 August 2025
Notes

1 Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments (R&P) basis in line with charity commission guidance for a charity of this size, prior to this the accounts were prepared accrual based. The Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission on 22nd October 2022.

2 Grants

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Sir James Reckitt	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-	5,000
Marist Fathers	-	-	-	30,000	-	30,000
Blue Thread	-	-	-	10,000	-	10,000
Hull Forum	-	-	-	4,000	-	4,000
EY Children's University	-	-	-	2,000	-	2,000
Two Ridings Community	300	-	300	-	-	-
Acts 435 Grant	1,110	-	1,110	1,475	-	-
	<u>6,410</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,410</u>	<u>52,475</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,475</u>

3 Donations & Legacy

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Donations	33,812	-	33,812	28,443	-	28,443
Legacy *	126,868	-	126,868	-	-	-
	<u>160,680</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>160,680</u>	<u>28,443</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,443</u>

- Funds to be used on running of the charity.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the period ended 31 August 2025

4 Wages

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Salary costs	41,250	-	41,250	46,293	-	46,293
Payroll Fee	90	-	90	-	-	-
	<u>41,340</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,340</u>	<u>46,293</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,293</u>

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000

5 Restricted Funds

	Balance as at 31/12/24 £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Balance as at 31/12/25 £
Special Project 7	7,706	-	(7,706)	-
	<u>7,706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,706)</u>	<u>-</u>

A brief description of the restricted funds are shown below:

Special Project 7

Restricted funding was received from Church of the Latter Day Saints to provide food, toiletries and racking.

6 Taxation

Open Doors Project (Hull) is a registered charity. All the charities' income is applied to its charitable objectives and the charity is therefore exempt under current legislation from most forms of taxation.

The charity is not VAT registered and all expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT.

7 Payments to Trustees

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Charity was paid or payable for the period to any Trustee.

There was also no reimbursement of travel expenses paid or payable to Trustees in respect of the period.

Notes to the Financial Statements
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8 Related Party Transactions

During the year the charity has the no related party transactions with its trustees.

9 Going Concern

Trustees consider the Charity to be a going concern for a period of at least 12 months after the date on the Independent Examiners report.

OPEN DOORS PROJECT (HULL)

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/09/2023 To 31/08/2024

Charity name: Open Doors Project (Hull)

Charity registration number: 1200838

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The promotion of social inclusion for the public benefit among refugees, asylum seekers, and migrant workers in the city of Hull who are socially excluded on the grounds of their social and economic position, to relieve the needs of such people, and assist them to integrate into society.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Providing: A) Food, clothing, and household items; B) Advocacy and general support, including through assistance with securing accommodation, interpretation and translation services, job search assistance, and English classes; C) Recreational and volunteer activities;
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Open Doors Project (Hull) will be celebrating its 25th years of existence in 2025, therefore we are planning series of events in celebration of this milestone.</p> <p>Following the pandemic, which interrupted most of our activities, we have gradually rebuilt. The year in review has seen an increase in the number of clients needing legal support after receiving their initial decisions from the Home Office. More clients have also become destitute after being refused asylum and their support has ceased with no accommodation. Open Doors helps with food parcels, cash for the destitute, advice and practical assistance and most importantly, a safe place to rest and socialise, rather than wandering the streets and local parks.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	During the year ended 31/08/2024 the charity had an income over expenditure deficit of £7,239 (2024) compared to deficit £30,374 (2023). The surplus from prior years stands at £45,458 is carried forward to next year to further fund the charity's objectives.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustees aim to hold 6 months of core costs, to cover redundancy and winding up costs should that need arise.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£11,989 held in savings account.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	We seek applications from interested parties; they meet with the chair of trustees and attend a meeting as an observer. If they express an interest then to join the board, the trustees take a vote to confirm the appointment. They are then registered with the charity commission and attend future meetings as a trustee. Between these meetings they will have a period of induction and training in their role

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Open Doors Project (Hull)
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1200838
Charity's principal address	91Princes Avenue Hull HU5 3QP

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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	Rev Michael Anthony Neal	Chair		
2	Ian David Morris	Trustee		
3	Roxana Shomari	Trustee		
4	Karen Ruth Van Diesen	Trustee		
5	Peter Wheldale	Trustee		
6	Carole Mowforth	Trustee		
7	Doreen Skiven	Trustee		
8	Jean Rippon	Trustee		
9	Peter John Vince	Trustee		
10	Barrie Thompson	Treasurer		
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20				

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<small>Signed by:</small> <i>Rev Michael Anthony Neal</i>	
Full name(s)	<small>F8EFAFDE70A64D5...</small> Rev Michael Anthony Neal	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	07/03/2025	

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Charity No. 1200838

Trustees' Report and Unaudited Accounts

31 August 2024

Open Doors Project (Hull)

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Open Doors Project (Hull)

Trustees Annual Report

The trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2024.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity No. 1200838

Trustees

The following trustees served during the year:

I.D. Morris	(Appointed on 31 July 2024)
C. Mowforth	
M.A. Neal	(Appointed on 07 September 2023)
J. Rippon	
R. Shomari	(Appointed on 21 March 2024)
D. Skiven	
B. Thompson	
K.R. Van Diesen	(Appointed on 01 February 2024)
P.J. Vince	
P. Wheldale	

Accountants

Solutions Accountancy & Bookkeeping Ltd

1 The Mews

Little Brunswick Street

Huddersfield


HD1 5JL

Statement of trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signed by:

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M.A. Neal

Trustee

07 March 2025

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Independent Examiners Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Open Doors Project (Hull)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Open Doors Project (Hull) for the year ended 31 August 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



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07 March 2025

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 August 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	83,277	-	83,277	66,166
Other	3	1,067	-	1,067	775
Total		84,344	-	84,344	66,941
Expenditure on:					
Other	4	77,558	14,025	91,583	97,315
Total		77,558	14,025	91,583	97,315
Net gains on investments		-	-	-	-
Net expenditure	5	6,786	(14,025)	(7,239)	(30,374)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net expenditure before other gains/(losses)		6,786	(14,025)	(7,239)	(30,374)
Other gains and losses					
Net movement in funds		6,786	(14,025)	(7,239)	(30,374)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		30,966	21,731	52,697	83,071
Total funds carried forward		37,752	7,706	45,458	52,697

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Balance Sheet

at 31 August 2024

Charity No. 1200838	2024	2023
	£	£
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	46,238	52,697
	46,238	52,697
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	7 (780)	-
Net current assets	45,458	52,697
Total assets less current liabilities	45,458	52,697
Net assets excluding pension asset or liability	45,458	52,697
Total net assets	45,458	52,697
The funds of the charity		
Restricted funds	8	
Restricted income funds	7,706	21,731
	7,706	21,731
Unrestricted funds	8	
General funds	37,752	30,966
	37,752	30,966
Reserves	8	
Total funds	45,458	52,697

Approved by the trustees on 07 March 2025

And signed on their behalf by:

M.A. Neal Signed by:
Rev Michael Anthony Neal
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Trustee
07 March 2025

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Notes to the Accounts

for the year ended 31 August 2024

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds These are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity.

Designated funds These are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Revaluation funds These are unrestricted funds which include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at their market values.

Restricted funds These are available for use subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or through terms of an appeal.

Income

Recognition of income Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount of the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income with related expenditure Where income has related expenditure the income and related expenditure is reported gross in the SoFA.

Donations and legacies Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the the SoFA when receivable and only when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the income.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts Income from tax reclaims is included in the SoFA at the when the gift aid is received.

Volunteer help The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment income This is included in the accounts when receivable.

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Expenditure

Recognition of expenditure	Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.
Expenditure on raising funds	These comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income, fundraising trading costs and investment management costs.
Expenditure on charitable activities	These comprise the costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services in the furtherance of its objects, including the making of grants and governance costs.
Governance costs	These include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity, including any audit/independent examination fees, costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity, together with a share of other administration costs.
Other expenditure	These are support costs not allocated to a particular activity.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Grants	51,000	51,000	31,220
Acts435 Grants	1,475	1,475	2,765
Donations	28,268	28,268	30,006
Gift Aid	2,534	2,534	2,175
	<u>83,277</u>	<u>83,277</u>	<u>66,166</u>

3 Other income

	Unrestricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Bank Interest	892	892	693
Other receipts	175	175	82
	<u>1,067</u>	<u>1,067</u>	<u>775</u>

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Notes to the Accounts

4 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Employee costs	46,293	-	46,293	42,734
General administrative costs	30,485	14,025	44,510	54,581
Legal and professional costs	780	-	780	-
	<u>77,558</u>	<u>14,025</u>	<u>91,583</u>	<u>97,315</u>

5 Net expenditure before transfers

	2024	2023
	£	£
This is stated after charging: Independent Examiner's fee	780	-

6 Staff costs

	2024	2023
Salaries and wages	46,293	42,734
	<u>46,293</u>	<u>42,734</u>

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7 Creditors:

amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	780	-
	<u>780</u>	<u>-</u>

8 Movement in funds

	At 1 September 2023	Incoming resources (including other gains/losses) £	Resources expended £	At 31 August 2024 £
Restricted funds:				
Restricted income funds:				
SP7	21,731	-	(14,025)	7,706
<i>Total</i>	<u>21,731</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(14,025)</u>	<u>7,706</u>
Unrestricted funds:				
General funds	30,966	84,344	(77,558)	37,752
Total funds	<u>52,697</u>	<u>84,344</u>	<u>(91,583)</u>	<u>45,458</u>

Purposes and restrictions in relation to the funds:

Restricted funds:

SP7 Food Support for 12 months plus purchase of racking

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9 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Total
	£	£
Net current assets	45,458	45,458
	<u>45,458</u>	<u>45,458</u>

10 Reconciliation of net debt

	At 1 September 2023	Cash flows	At 31 August 2024
	£	£	£
Cash and cash equivalents	52,697	(6,459)	46,238
	<u>52,697</u>	<u>(6,459)</u>	<u>46,238</u>
Net debt	<u>52,697</u>	<u>(6,459)</u>	<u>46,238</u>

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 August 2024

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:				
Donations and legacies				
Grants	51,000	-	51,000	31,220
Acts435 Grants	1,475	-	1,475	2,765
Donations	28,268	-	28,268	30,006
Gift Aid	2,534	-	2,534	2,175
	<u>83,277</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,277</u>	<u>66,166</u>
Other				
Bank Interest	892	-	892	693
Other receipts	175	-	175	82
	<u>1,067</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,067</u>	<u>775</u>
Total income and endowments	84,344	-	84,344	66,941
Expenditure on:				
Employee costs				
Salaries/wages	46,293	-	46,293	42,734
	<u>46,293</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,293</u>	<u>42,734</u>
General administrative costs, including depreciation and amortisation				
Destitute Refused (DRAs)	5,320	-	5,320	6,500
Accommodation Costs	5,506	8,733	14,239	23,871
Equipment and Materials	1,456	-	1,456	1,696
Acts435	1,314	-	1,314	3,707
Insurance	362	-	362	326
Food and Refreshment	9,947	5,137	15,084	14,064
Rental Hire	2,400	-	2,400	50
Sundry expenses	4,180	155	4,335	4,367
	<u>30,485</u>	<u>14,025</u>	<u>44,510</u>	<u>54,581</u>
Legal and professional costs				
Audit/Independent examination fees	780	-	780	-
	<u>780</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>780</u>	<u>-</u>
Total of expenditure of other costs	<u>77,558</u>	<u>14,025</u>	<u>91,583</u>	<u>97,315</u>
Total expenditure	77,558	14,025	91,583	97,315
Net gains on investments	-	-	-	-
	<u>6,786</u>	<u>(14,025)</u>	<u>(7,239)</u>	<u>(30,374)</u>
Net expenditure	6,786	(14,025)	(7,239)	(30,374)
Net expenditure before other gains/(losses)	6,786	(14,025)	(7,239)	(30,374)

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Other Gains	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	6,786	(14,025)	(7,239)	(30,374)
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward	30,966	21,731	52,697	83,071
Total funds carried forward	37,752	7,706	45,458	52,697

OPEN DOORS PROJECT (HULL)

England & Wales - Charity number 1200838

Accounts

Open Doors Project (Hull) Annual Report 2022 –23

This year we continue to progress as an independent charity and continue to work tirelessly amidst the challenges that come with this development. We have kept the regular weekly activities going and are in the process of reviewing some of the present and proposed future activities. The Thursday drop-in sessions, starts from 9.30am to 12pm. Last year we decided to extend the drop-in session time to 3pm but this has not materialised, so it remains at 12pm finish.

We have continuously provided support to our clients and those who walk through our doors seeking advice in progressing their application for Leave to Remain in the UK. We have done this on a weekly basis throughout the year. This year, we have also seen an increase in the number of clients registering with us and about ninety to hundred clients attend our weekly drop-in sessions.

Presently, many clients are faced with accommodation crisis and homelessness, this number includes six clients presently residing at Hull International House.

We have been able to provide our clients with food parcels on a weekly basis. We also support our destitute clients financially with the amount of £10 weekly.

We provide advice in certain areas like housing, immigration, in completing medical forms, accessing GPs and dentists etc, with the help of our volunteers and service providers. We signpost clients to other service providers outside Open Doors depending on their needs.

The English classes on Tuesdays and Wednesdays are still going on and the numbers are building up again. I recently had conversations with the Tuesday English class teachers regarding the number of clients attending the classes and the possibility of merging both classes but due to the recent increase in number for both classes, this has been put on hold and will be reviewed in the new year 2024.

Our thanks to all the teachers who give their time each week to make this happen.

The clothes store that we run on Tuesdays between 12pm and 2pm is in full operation and is structured and organised. Many thanks to all volunteers who helps hugely in making this happen each week.

We extend thanks also to all our supporters, churches, people in the local community who have continuously donated items for the clothes store including food items and cash donations. We always acknowledge their generosity with either emails, or cards to extend our thanks and appreciation.

Many of the clients attending the Tuesday clothes store see this as another opportunity to meet and chat with others.

Other Activities

Tea and coffee with hot meals are served at lunch time during the drop-in sessions. Hot drinks and toasts/snacks are also provided to our clients, volunteers, staff and other service providers throughout the drop-in session on Thursdays. This has been well received and appreciated, more so as we draw closer to the winter period. We say a big Thank You to the volunteers who look after the kitchen and ensure tea and coffee with snacks are served to everyone.

The Lord Mayor of Hull Christmas Tree Festival – For the third year running we have been invited to take part in the Christmas Tree festival event to be held in Hull Minster and will be hosted by the Lord Mayor Councillor Kalvin Neal. The Open Doors Project (Hull) will be putting up a Christmas tree with decorations as part of this celebration.

Hull Truck Theatre – Continues to attend some of our drop-in sessions and provide activities and discounted tickets for our clients and children to attend their shows.

Students Placements – This year, we provided placement opportunities for up to three postgraduate students from the University of Hull for their research programmes. The students spent about eight weeks with us and volunteered during their research. They had the opportunity of helping in every section of the project on a rotational basis while been supervised. Some of these students have kept in contact with the project and one of them still volunteers with us.

Refugee Week Celebrations 2023 – This event was celebrated at the Open Doors Project (Hull) on the 22nd June 2023, with the theme: Community and Compassion. It was attended by the Lord Mayor who opened the event with a keynote address. There were representatives from other organisations in Hull who made speeches. The celebration was a total success with the opportunity of networking with guests who attended the event. We hope to repeat this event again next year.

Coach Trip to Toll Gavel Methodist Church Beverley -

The Rev. Fran Rhys and members of Toll Gavel church invited Open Doors Project (Hull) clients and volunteers for a day trip to Beverley. The day was well spent with some food, music entertainments and guided tours.

Music and other forms of recreational activities are gradually picking up again and we have organised a few music events for our clients in the recent past. My plan is to create more of these activities for our clients and get them participating in more social events that we organise.

I was recently approached by Abdu from the Tigers Trust which is connected to the University of Hull, about the possibility of bringing some football activities to the Open Doors Project (Hull) for men and women respectively.

I have also attended a series of activities and meetings organised by other likeminded organisations with the aim of working together in providing support networks for those seeking sanctuary in Hull.

We are grateful to the other service providers who provide regular support and advice to our clients on a weekly basis. Their support has been immense both to the clients and the project. With this support we have had success in meeting the needs of our clients and have been able to connect them with the right services including immigration, medical, housing and educational needs.

Some of these organisations include:

- CIAC – Community Integration and Advocacy Centre
- Hull City Council
- Mesmac
- British Red Cross
- Hull Truck Theatre
- University of Hull
- HANA – Humber and All Nations Alliance
- Job Centre

Berkeley Street – All clients moved out of this accommodation last year after we were directed to do so by the executor. The project has made some financial contributions towards the cleaning and maintenance of the property whilst waiting for the court's direction about ownership of the property.

International House – Six of our clients residing at Hull International House are due to move out of the property sometime this month. We are hoping that the Home Office can provide accommodation for these clients following application made by CU Support.

Training for Volunteers and Staff – Before becoming an independent charity last year, we completed the first Safeguarding training for staff and volunteers through the Methodist Church in November 2022. We also made some DBS applications for staff and volunteers, to ensure a safer working environment for everyone. We plan to undertake various training sessions in the coming year, 2024, for staff and volunteers, which will include Safeguarding, First Aid, Food and Hygiene, Administration and Management training.

I am presently sourcing avenues that will provide us with such training, and possible DBS checks through Hull City Council. However, I recommend that the Open Doors Project (Hull) becomes a registered organisation with the DBS services so that we can apply for DBS checks for our staff and volunteers directly and thus avoid using other providers which can be costly.

Amongst our volunteers there are team leaders for every section and the team leaders are those with valid DBS and Safeguarding certificates. They also supervise other volunteers/helpers who have yet to complete their training.

After Covid-19 restrictions were relaxed, Open Doors Project (Hull) has re-established itself by making representation at various churches and community events. During such events, representatives from Open Doors are given the opportunity to talk about the project. On these occasions, we have been able to solicit more support both in cash and in kind. Our monthly Newsletter has also played a vital part in disseminating information about the project which has generated more support in diverse ways. A big thanks to our Newsletter editor.

This year we have received an overwhelming outpouring of gifts, donations both in cash and in kind. We extend thanks to all our donors and supporters.

We have safely recruited more volunteers who have dedicated their time and experiences in contributing to the goals and aims of the project.

On behalf of the management and staff of The Open Doors Project (Hull), I would like to thank our previous line manager Peter Vince and welcome our interim line manager Rev. Mick Neal.

Thanks also to all our volunteers and everyone who support the work of the Open Doors Project (Hull).

Submitted,
Cecil Jones
Manager/Project Coordinator

OPEN DOORS PROJECT (HULL)

Receipts and Payments Account for the period 27/10/2022 to 31/08/2023

Receipts		2022/23	2021/22	Payments		2022/23	2021/22
<u>Balance at 27/10/2022</u>							
Current Accounts	42281			Pay Costs	E1	42734	43223
Cash	383			Trav & Subs	E2	780	353
CFB account	<u>40403</u>	83067		Kitchen	E3	879	225
Grants(R1)	R1	31220	18915	Groceries	E4	13185	9690
Group 200(R2)	R2	9601	11471	Thursday Money	E5	6500	11010
Donations(R3)	R3	18315	16137	Housing	E6	18760	19972
Stewardship(R4)	R4	2090	3747	Utilities	E7	5111	2357
Gift Aid(R5)	R5	2175	5234	IT & Comms	E8	803	2264
Acts 435(R6)	R6	2765	8355	Equip & Materials	E9	893	1235
Interest		693	167	Fees & Charges	E10	662	1204
Other (R9)	R8/R9	82	171	Rental/hire	E11	50	65
				Other	E12	56	390
				Acts 435	E13	3707	8415
				Christmas Gifts	E14	2863	
				Insurance		328	
				<u>Balance at 31/08/2023</u>			
				Current Accounts		31411	
				Cash		190	
				Epworth Account		21097	52697
Total		150008		Total		150008	

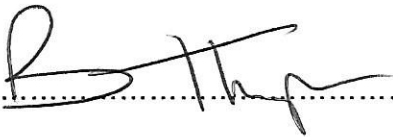
B. Thapa - Treasurer

17/10/23

*M. A. Neal - Chair of Trustees.
9/11/23*

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2023 have been prepared from the records of the Open Doors Project and that they include all funds under the control of the trustees.

Signature of treasurer  Date..... 17/10/23

Name and address of treasurer Barrie Thompson

144 Goddard Avenue Hull HU5 2BA

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the period 27 October 2022 to 31 August 2023 to be presented to the meeting of the Church trustees on 9/11/23

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting ... MICHAEL A NEAL Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Charity Number 120838

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Open Doors Project (Hull) for the period 27 October 2022 to 31 August 2023 set out on the attached. As the Project's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

Open Doors Project (Hull)

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature of independent examiner *J. Carr*

Name of independent examiner JUNE CARR

Relevant qualifications of independent examiner CHURCH STEWARD

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

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Date 1-11-2023