

THE OVERSEAS AID ALLIANCE

England & Wales · Charity number 1202522

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-03-28

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY, IN PARTICULAR IN THE LEAST DEVELOPED NATIONS OF THE WORLD, BY PROVIDING: GRANTS, ITEMS AND SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES IN NEED AND/OR CHARITIES, OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY

Activities: OAA will make grants to organisations working overseas. This will provide funds for projects involved with improving the health, education and development of those in the greatest need

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services
- **What:** Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Bangladesh
- Cambodia
- India
- Malawi
- Tanzania
- Zambia

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£10,129	£35,974	-	-
2023-12-31	£38,773	£4,520	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Stella Caroline Russell FRCGP	Chair	2022-11-01
Dr Anthony Joseph Paluch MB.BS		2022-11-01
Dr Nicholas Anthony Paluch MRCGP		2022-11-01
Paul Stuart Robertson MSc		2022-11-01

THE OVERSEAS AID ALLIANCE

England & Wales - Charity number 1202522

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/1/2024. To 31/12/2024.

Charity name: The Overseas Aid Alliance

Charity registration number: 1202522

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The prevention and relief of poverty, in particular in the least developed nations of the world, by providing: grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organizations working to prevent or relieve poverty.
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	Grant awards were made during 2024 to the UK registered charity PHASE Worldwide in support of a remote mountain healthpost in Nepal, the Billy Riordan Memorial Trust to equip a new maternity unit in Malawi and the Waymaker Trust in NE India to help with their community work in Maraland.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We can confirm that 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	We work in accordance with our Decision and Grant making policy which has already been submitted to the Commission and is available for the public to read on our website.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable.

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All the trustees are volunteers. We have no other staff or employees.
Other		Not applicable.

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	In accordance with our mission, we sponsored 3 development projects during 2024 that addressed basic needs in developing communities around the world. Grant awards were made to the UK registered charity PHASE Worldwide in support of a remote mountain healthpost in Nepal (£12,500), the Billy Riordan Memorial Trust to equip a new maternity unit in Malawi (£5,000) and the Waymaker Trust in NE India to help with their community work in Maraland (£18,314). It is our policy to identify and fund suitable projects like these rather than to accumulate cash reserves and having started the year with a healthy balance, expenditure exceeded income over the period of this report. Nevertheless, we ended the year with more £8,000 remaining on account.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	It was satisfying that our charity was able to fulfil its mission in support of separate development projects that benefited many thousand people in poor, under-resourced settings in 3 different countries around the world.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We will continue to raise and distribute funds on an ad hoc basis but in full accordance with our charitable purposes.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not applicable
Other		Not applicable

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Fully solvent with reserves awaiting allocation.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are only held pending allocation to suitable projects and some of the monies held in our account as at 31/12/24 have since been used to further our charitable purposes.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£8,408
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No such uncertainties exist. We make one-off awards and have no ongoing commitments or liabilities.

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	Primarily from private donations.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Not applicable
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	There is always a risk of a grant award being misused but we mitigate that risk by having an anti-financial crime policy as well as a monitoring and evaluation policy. We also endeavour to only deal with organizations and individuals who are personally known to us.
Other		Not applicable

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed / Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO whose only members are its trustees.
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	Should the need arise, new trustees will be elected to post by the existing trustees.

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	As itemized in our constitution document, new trustees would be fully briefed and made aware of their responsibilities before appointment.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Regular communication and minuted meetings between the trustees.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	No related parties other than the CAF Bank Ltd who hold all of our funds.
Other		Not applicable

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Overseas Aid Alliance
Other name the charity uses	Not applicable
Registered charity number	1202522
Charity's principal address	The Old Vicarage, Seven Sisters Road, St Lawrence, Isle of Wight, Hants

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	Dr Caroline Russell	Chairperson	Whole year	n/a
2	Dr Nicholas Paluch	Secretary	Whole year	n/a
3	Mr Paul Robertson	Treasurer	Whole year	n/a
4	Dr Anthony Paluch	Trustee	Whole year	n/a
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Not applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Not applicable		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Nil
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable§

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Nil		

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

Not applicable

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not applicable

Other optional information

Nil

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>N. Paluch</i>	
Full name(s)	Dr Nicholas A F Paluch	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	
Date	6/4/25	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

THE OVERSEAS AID ALLIANCE

No: 1202522

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/24

To

31/12/24

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					
PRIVATE DONATIONS	10,091	-	-	10,091	-
BANK INTEREST	38	-	-	38	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	10,129	-	-	10,129	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,129	-	-	10,129	-
A3 Payments					
BANK CHARGES	160	-	-	160	-
GRANT AWARD TO PHASE WORLDWIDE	10,000	-	-	10,000	-
GRANT AWARD TO WAYMAKER TRUST	18,314	-	-	18,314	-
GRANT AWARD TO BILLY RIORDAN MEMORIAL TRUST	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
GRANT AWARD TO PHASE WORLDWIDE	2,500	-	-	2,500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	35,974	-	-	35,974	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	35,974	-	-	35,974	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 25,845	-	-	- 25,845	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	34,253	-	-	34,253	-
Cash funds this year end	8,408	-	-	8,408	-

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	CAF BANK ACCOUNT	8,408	-	-
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		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	8,408	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £

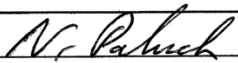
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	None	-	-	-
		-	-	-
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	None		-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	None		-	-
			-	-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	None		-	
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			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	DR. N. A. F. PALUCH	10/3/25

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England & Wales - Charity number 1202522

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 20/1/2023. To 31/12/2023.

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Charity registration number: 1202522

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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	Grant award made to the UK registered charity Impact UK in support of three of their overseas aid projects a) The Lake Clinic in Cambodia, b) The Jibon Tari Floating Hospital in Bangladesh and c) The Zanzibar Outreach Programme.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We can confirm that the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

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Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All the trustees are volunteers. We have no other staff or employees.

Other		Not applicable.

Achievements and Performance

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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>We have been slow to start fulfilling our mission because of administrative delays particularly in relation to setting up a charity bank account with the CAF Bank Ltd but before the end of the year we were able to hold our first fund allocation meeting.</p> <p>Three grant awards were approved and the first of those awards (a grant of £4,500) was paid out prior to 31/12/23 to the UK registered charity Impact UK in support of three of their projects. As a result, the health and wellbeing of numerous disadvantaged adults and children has benefited in impoverished communities in Cambodia, Bangladesh and Zanzibar (see projects listed above).</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	It was satisfying that our charity was finally able to start fulfilling its mission towards the end of 2023.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We will continue to raise and distribute funds on an ad hoc basis but in full accordance with our charitable purposes.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not applicable
Other		Not applicable

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Fully solvent with reserves awaiting allocation.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are only held pending allocation to suitable projects and some of the monies held in our account as at 31/12/23 have since been used to further our charitable purposes.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£34,253
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No such uncertainties exist. We make one-off awards and have no ongoing commitments or liabilities.

Additional information (optional)

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Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	No related parties other than the CAF Bank Ltd who hold all of our funds.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

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Other name the charity uses	Not applicable
Registered charity number	1202522
Charity's principal address	The Old Vicarage, Seven Sisters Road, St Lawrence, Isle of Wight,

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

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1	Dr Caroline Russell	Chairperson	From registration	n/a
2	Dr Nicholas Paluch	Secretary	From registration	n/a
3	Mr Paul Robertson	Treasurer	From registration	n/a
4	Dr Anthony Paluch	Trustee	From registration	n/a
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Not applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Not applicable		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Nil
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Nil		

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

Not applicable

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not applicable


Other optional information

Nil

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Dr Nicholas A F Paluch	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	
Date	30/3/24	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

THE OVERSEAS AID ALLIANCE

No. 1202552

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
20/01/2023

To

Period end date
31/12/23

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					
PRIVATE DONATIONS	31,003	-	-	31,003	-
BANK INTEREST	19	-	-	19	-
HMRC GIFT AID REBATE	7,751	-	-	7,751	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	38,773	-	-	38,773	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	38,773	-	-	38,773	-
A3 Payments					
BANK CHARGES	20	-	-	20	-
GRANT AWARD TO IMPACT UK	4,500	-	-	4,500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,520	-	-	4,520	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,520	-	-	4,520	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	34,253	-	-	34,253	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	34,253	-	-	34,253	-

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	CAP BANK ACCOUNT	34,253	-	-
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		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	34,253	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
CCXX R1 accounts (SS)	Details			26/03/24

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF BANK ACCOUNT	34,253	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	34,253	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Nil	-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets	Nil		-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Nil		-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Nil		-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name
<i>P. Robertson</i> 31/3/24	Mr Paul Robertson (Treasurer)
<i>N. Paluch</i> 30/3/24	Dr Nicholas Paluch (Secretary)

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
The OVERSEAS AID ALLIANCE

On accounts for the year
ended

31st DECEMBER 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1202522

Set out on pages

Set out on attached Receipts and Payments Accounts (insert the page number of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023

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:

30/04/2024

Name:

Geoffrey Kirk

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

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