

# Trustees Annual Report 2024

Report period start date	2023-07-31
Report period end date	2024-07-31
Charity name	Raise: A Celebration of Giving
Charity number	1202899
Address	11 Canalside Square, London, N1 7FN
Trustee names	Adam Jones, Rahul Shah, Abraham Tolley, Joseph James Benton, George Alexander Rosenfeld
Governing document type	CIO - Foundation
Charity constitution type	CIO
Trustee selection method	Elected by serving trustees
Charitable objects	THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS TO PROMOTE THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE PROVISION OF RESOURCES THAT SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC TO VOLUNTEER AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR. THE 'VOLUNTARY SECTOR' MEANS CHARITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS: CHARITIES ARE ORGANISATIONS, WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES. VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS ARE INDEPENDENT ORGANISATIONS, WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR PURPOSES THAT ADD VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, OR A SIGNIFICANT SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY, AND WHICH ARE NOT PERMITTED BY THEIR CONSTITUTION TO MAKE A PROFIT FOR PRIVATE DISTRIBUTION. VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS DO NOT INCLUDE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER STATUTORY AUTHORITIES.
Trustees have had regard to <a href="#">the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit?</a>	Yes

Summary of the main activities:	<p>Raise has had a successful 12 months. The National Team, consisting of 10 student volunteers led by student director Rahul Shah, coordinated our 7 chapters, (of which UCL was new for this year) helping them engage 100s of students in our philosophy of deliberate, effective giving. These chapters have hosted a variety of successful events centred on the Raise philosophy, including summer picnics and celebrations. Alongside these, we ran a donations push at a workplace and with our alumni community.</p> <p>Chapters have also hosted various educational talks for their members, including from AMF founder and CEO Rob Mather, as well as workshops for their committees and representatives. The National Team has continued developing the framework for a reading group, which we hope to trial during the 2024/25 academic year. We have new chapters at LSE and Manchester who are about to start operating, whilst our other chapters are in the process of handing over to new teams.</p> <p>We have also recruited a very competent new national team of student volunteers for the academic year 2024/25 led by Edinburgh Master's student Olivia Collota who has experience with Raise as a highly successful Chapter President at on National Team as Community Director.</p>
Summary of the main achievements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- £43,836.91 raised for AMF</li> <li>- 300 student donors</li> <li>- 7 chapters across the UK, with collectively over 150 committee members and reps, engaging students on our philosophy of positive, effective giving</li> <li>- Advisory Board of 5 previous student members running events to engage former members in London</li> <li>- Talks from Rob Mather a workshops led by National Team members and Trustees</li> </ul>

	<p>to engage students in effective, deliberate giving</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Workplace donation push, progression with reading group materials and continued alumni engagement</li> </ul>
Summary of the reserves policy:	<p>The CIO will hold reserves to cover all support costs of the charity for one year, including insurance, independent examination, technology and donations fees. A small amount will be held for chapter activities and to support emergent projects not included in the annual budget. The Trustees have deemed that one year is sufficient to gain new income streams if necessary. These reserves come from the CIO's free unrestricted funds.</p> <p>Budget for 2024-2025: £2,048 Unrestricted funds at end of financial year 2024: £9,705 (2023: £5,372)</p>
Are there any areas where we are significantly low on funds? If so, give details.	No
Reviewed and approved by all the trustees on:	<p>AJ - 2024-11-03 JB - 2024-11-04 GR - 2024-11-05 AT - 2024-11-06 RS - 2024-11-12</p>

Approved and signed by

RAHUL SHAH



Chair - Board of Trustees

on 24th May 2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Raise: A Celebration of Giving

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 July 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

1202899

Set out on pages

Above

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 July 2024**

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.

Signed:

*Wilcox*

Date:

27<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Name:

Tomas Wilcox

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

FCIE

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Bexhill

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**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

Nothing to disclose.

## Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £

### A1 Receipts

Chapter Contributions	-	2,006.00	-	2,006.00	-
Donations (designated to go to other charities)	-	54,966.59	-	54,966.59	-
Donations (for Raise's operations)	5,000.00	2,580.00	-	7,580.00	-
Interest	11.55	-	-	11.55	-
Transfers	5,976.71	8,737.71	-	14,714.42	-
<i>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</i>	<b>10,988.26</b>	<b>68,290.30</b>	-	<b>79,278.56</b>	-

### A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

None	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-

<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>10,988.26</b>	<b>68,290.30</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>79,278.56</b>	<b>-</b>
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### A3 Payments

#### Donations

AMF	-	36,492.68	-	36,492.68	-
GiveDirectly	-	1,105.00	-	1,105.00	-
Clean Air Task Force	-	200.00	-	200.00	-
Raising Voices	-	116.00	-	116.00	-
StrongMinds	-	150.00	-	150.00	-
UNHCR	-	100.00	-	100.00	-

#### Governance and Activities Costs

Insurance	201.57	-	-	201.57	-
Chapter Activities	1,042.46	3,950.41	-	4,992.87	-
Technology	39.55	-	-	39.55	-
Stripe (Donations Fees)	1,104.79	-	-	1,104.79	-
<i>Sub total</i>	<b>2,388.37</b>	<b>42,114.09</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,502.46</b>	<b>-</b>

### A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

None	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-

<b>Total payments</b>	<b>2,388.37</b>	<b>42,114.09</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,502.46</b>	<b>-</b>
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<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>8,599.89</b>	<b>26,176.21</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,776.10</b>	<b>-</b>
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### A5 Transfers between funds

### A6 Cash funds last year end

<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	<b>8,599.89</b>	<b>26,176.21</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,776.10</b>	<b>-</b>
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## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash in Bank	8,599.89	26,176.21	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>8,599.89</b>	<b>26,176.21</b>	<b>-</b>
		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	None	-	-	-
		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	id to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	rent value (optional)
	None	N/A	-	-
		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	value (optional)
	None	N/A	-	-
		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	which liability relates	int due (optional)	on due (optional)
	None	N/A	-	-