

# Trustees Annual Report 2025

Report period start date	2024-08-01
Report period end date	2025-07-31
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, Olivia Collotta
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

<p>Summary of the main activities:</p>	<p>Raise has had a successful 12 months. The National Team, consisting of 6 student volunteers led by student director Olivia Collotta, coordinated our 3 chapters, helping them engage hundreds of students in our philosophy of deliberate, effective giving. Chapters hosted events on campuses across the UK, including social meetups, educational talks, and celebrations. Alongside these, we ran a donations push with our alumni community.</p> <p>Chapters have hosted various educational talks for their members, including from AMF founder and CEO Rob Mather. In April 2025, we also ran a workshop in London for the National Team and chapter presidents to encourage collaboration throughout the organisation. The National Team has continued developing the framework for a fellowship programme, which we hope to begin in the summer of 2026.</p> <p>We have also recruited a very competent new national team of student volunteers for the academic year 2025/26 led by UCL Master's student Ella Denton, who has previously served as a Chapter President and on the National Team as Community Lead.</p>
<p>Summary of the main achievements:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- £30,737.46 raised for AMF</li> <li>- 294 student donors</li> <li>- 3 chapters across the UK, with collectively over 100 committee members and reps, engaging students on our philosophy of positive, effective giving</li> <li>- Advisory Board of 3 previous student members running events and new initiatives to increase the efficiency and reach of Raise</li> <li>- Talks from Rob Mather and workshops led by National Team members and Trustees to engage students in effective, deliberate giving</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 2025-2026: £1200 Unrestricted funds at end of financial year 2025: £6787</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 - 5/3/2026 RS - 1/3/2026 AT - 1/3/2026 OC - 1/3/2026</p>

# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Report to the trustees

Raise: A Celebration of Giving

## On accounts for the year ended

31 July 2025

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 2025**.

## Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 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 confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts 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 accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date:

24/02/2026

Name:

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

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.**

## 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Chapter Contributions	£ -	£ 1,389	£ -	£ 1,389	£ 2,006
Donations (designated to go to other charities)	£ -	£ 13,057	£ -	£ 13,057	£ 54,967
Donations (for Raise's operations)	£ -	£ 1,300	£ -	£ 1,300	£ 7,580
Interest	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 12
Transfers (from old bank accounts)	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 14,714
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	£ -	£ 15,746	£ -	£ 15,746	£ 79,279

### A2 Asset and investment sales

None	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
<b>Sub total</b>	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -

<b>Total receipts</b>	£ -	£ 15,746	£ -	£ 15,746	£ 79,279
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### A3 Payments

#### Donations

AMF	£ -	£ 29,622	£ -	£ 29,622	£ 37,294
GiveDirectly	£ -	£ 175	£ -	£ 175	£ 1,105
Clean Air Task Force	£ -	£ 200	£ -	£ 200	£ 200
StrongMinds	£ -	£ 50	£ -	£ 50	£ 150
Raising Voices	£ -	£ 100.00	£ -	£ 100	£ 116
UNHCR	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 100

#### Governance and Activities Costs

Chapter Activities	£ -	£ 1,664	£ -	£ 1,664	£ 4,993
Technology	£ 40	£ -	£ -	£ 40	£ 40
Stripe (Donations Fees)	£ 461	£ -	£ -	£ 461	£ 303
Independent Examination	£ 612	£ -	£ -	£ 612	£ -
Insurance	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 202
<b>Sub total</b>	£ 1,113	£ 31,811	£ -	£ 32,923	£ 44,502

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

None	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
<b>Sub total</b>	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -

<b>Total payments</b>	£ 1,113	£ 31,811	£ -	£ 32,923	£ 44,502
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<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	£ (1,113)	£ (16,065)	£ -	£ (17,177)	£ 34,777
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	£ (700)	£ 700	£ -	£ -	£ -
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	£ 8,600	£ 26,176	£ -	£ 34,776	£ -
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	£ 6,787	£ 10,811	£ -	£ 17,599	£ 34,777

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash in Bank	£ 6,787	£ 10,912	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	£ 6,787	£ 10,912	-
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	None	-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	None	-	-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity:</b>	None	-	-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Raising Voices donation	Restricted	£ 100	When payment can be completed Raising Voices currently cannot accept donations.