

**THE HOPE4CREATION FOUNDATION**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE PERIOD FROM 23 AUGUST 2023 TO 31 AUGUST 2024**

# THE HOPE4CREATION FOUNDATION

## CHARITY INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Revd Canon Dr C Bannister-Parker (Chair) Rabbi Dr Judith Rosen-Berry Mary-Lu Bakker-Cole Alistair Dutton Georgina Matthews
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<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1204459
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<b>CIO Number</b>	CE033332
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<b>Registered Office</b>	Prama House 267 Banbury Road Oxford OX2 7HT
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<b>Independent Examiner</b>	Amir Absoud 7 Albert Buildings 49 Queen Victoria Street London EC4N 4SA
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## The Hope4Creation Foundation

### Trustees' Annual Report

23 August 2023 – 31 August 2024

#### Objectives and activities

Purposes	The Hope4Creation Foundation ("H4C") was established to help faith communities move from environmental intention to meaningful, sustained climate action. Its purpose is rooted in the belief that people of faith can be powerful leaders in addressing the climate crisis, offering both moral clarity and practical solutions.
Main activities	The charity supports faith-led climate action through events, exhibitions, and educational resources. In its first period, the charity focused on building networks, speaking at national and international forums, and partnering with like-minded organisations to amplify its mission. Alongside public engagement, H4C developed internal structures and tools to support long-term impact.
Public benefit	H4C's work directly benefits the public by encouraging climate action centred around faith communities, which often have wide-reaching influence and trust. By supporting education, awareness, and leadership on climate issues, the charity contributes to broader environmental stewardship and social responsibility in line with UK charity law.

#### Achievements and Performance

In its first full period of operation as a registered charity, H4C delivered a wide range of public engagement activities to support faith-led climate action. Highlights included participation in major interfaith conferences and environmental summits, as well as the hosting of its inaugural workshop at the Marmalade Festival and its official launch event in Oxford.

The Founder and Project Associate represented H4C at over a dozen events, reaching an estimated audience of more than 2,000 people. H4C also produced and contributed to educational resources, including a research paper launched at COP28. Administrative milestones included successful registration with the Charity Commission, the hiring of the first employee, and the establishment of financial controls and governance procedures. These activities have established a strong foundation for the charity's ongoing mission.

#### Plans for Future Periods

Looking ahead to 2024–2025, H4C plans to expand its reach through deeper collaborations with local and national partners. The charity aims to enhance its educational programming, including the delivery of interfaith workshops and the launch of its first school-focused faith and climate initiative. A key priority is the recruitment of a replacement Project Associate to support event delivery and resource development.

H4C is also pursuing funding to develop an interfaith curriculum in partnership with the Oxford Foundation. In addition, work is underway to improve impact measurement, ensuring that programmes remain relevant and effective in addressing climate anxiety and inspiring action across diverse faith communities.



## Principal Risks and Uncertainties

As a newly established charity, H4C faces risks common to early-stage organisations, including dependency on a limited number of funding sources. The delay in setting up a bank account highlighted the operational risks posed by administrative barriers, although this was partially mitigated by compensation received from the bank.

The charity's reliance on part-time staff presents challenges in scaling up operations. To address this, the Trustees have reviewed the reserves policy and implemented financial controls, with support from professional accountants. Further work is being undertaken to diversify funding and to develop a more resilient staffing structure.

## Financial Review

H4C's activities in 2023–2024 were funded by an initial grant of £30,000 from the CAF American Donor Fund also known as Southampton Row Trust Limited. This funding supported project costs, staffing, and professional services, including legal and financial advice. A banking delay was resolved with a goodwill payment from NatWest, and the financial period concluded with a modest surplus.

As a result, the Trustees amended the Reserves Policy to allow for up to £10,000 in reserve. No additional fundraising activities were undertaken during the period; however, all public events were offered free of charge to maximise accessibility.

## Structure, governance and management

H4C is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered on 23 August 2023, and governed by a Board of Trustees. The charity is chaired by the Revd Canon Dr C Bannister-Parker, with founding trustees Alistair Dutton, Georgina Matthews, and Mary-Lu Bakker. Rabbi Judith Rosen-Berry is scheduled to join the Board in April 2025.

The Trustees meet at least three times annually to oversee strategy, risk management, and compliance. In January 2024, H4C hired its first Project Associate and began implementing internal financial controls and operational policies. Legal and accounting support has been provided by Charles Russell and Upstreamly Ltd, ensuring adherence to best practice in governance and reporting.

New trustees are selected by the existing Board to ensure that the collective expertise and experience remain appropriate for the oversight of the charity's activities.

### Reference and administrative details

Charity name	The Hope4Creation Foundation
Other name the charity uses	H4C
Registered charity number	1204459
CIO number	CE033332
Charity's principal address	Prima House Banbury Road Oxford OX2 7HT

### Names of the trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)
Revd Canon Dr C Bannister-Parker	Chair
Rabbi Dr Judith Rosen-Berry	Trustee
Mary-Lu Bakker-Cole	Trustee
Alistair Dutton	Trustee
Georgina Matthews	Trustee

### Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

**Signature**

C Bannister-Parker  
C Bannister-Parker (Jun 19, 2025 15:08 GMT+1)

**Full name**

Revd Canon Dr C Bannister-Parker

**Position**

Chair

**Date**

19-Jun-2025

# THE HOPE4CREATION FOUNDATION

## STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

***FOR THE PERIOD FROM 23 AUGUST 2023 TO 31 AUGUST 2024***

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### Statement of responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the CIO and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# THE HOPE4CREATION FOUNDATION

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE HOPE4CREATION FOUNDATION

***FOR THE PERIOD FROM 23 AUGUST 2023 TO 31 AUGUST 2024***

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I report on my examination of the accounts of The Hope4Creation Foundation ("H4C") for its first period from 23 August 2023 to 31 August 2024.

### Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity trustees of H4C, 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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 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.



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**Amir Absoud, FCA**

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19-Jun-2025



# THE HOPE4CREATION FOUNDATION

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

***FOR THE PERIOD FROM 23 AUGUST 2023 TO 31 AUGUST 2024***

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total Funds
		£	£	£
<b>Incoming resources</b>				
Donations and legacies	2	400	30,000	<b>30,400</b>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>30,400</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>				
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities	3	-	(4,110)	<b>(4,110)</b>
<b>Total resources expended</b>			<b>(4,110)</b>	<b>(4,110)</b>
<b>Net income and net movement in funds</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>25,890</b>	<b>26,290</b>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	31 August 2024 £
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand		27,730
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(1,440)
Net current assets		26,290
<b>Net assets</b>		26,290
<b>Funds of the charity</b>		
Unrestricted funds	6	400
Restricted funds	7	25,890
<b>Total charity funds</b>		26,290

Assets and liabilities are allocated between unrestricted and restricted funds in accordance with the underlying transactions and applicable restrictions.

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 19-Jun-2025

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**Revd Canon Dr C Bannister-Parker**  
Chair

# THE HOPE4CREATION FOUNDATION

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

**FOR THE PERIOD FROM 23 AUGUST 2023 TO 31 AUGUST 2024**

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### 1. Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Charity information

The Hope4Creation Foundation ("H4C") is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales under Charity Number 1204459. The charity was established on 23 August 2023 and operates to help faith communities transition from environmental intention to sustained climate action.

#### 1.2 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 and the Charities Act 2011.

The accounts are prepared in pound sterling, which is the functional currency of H4C. Monetary amounts in these accounts are rounded to the nearest pound sterling.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

As the charity qualifies as a small entity under section 1A of FRS 102, it has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a statement of cash flows.

#### 1.3 Public benefit entity

As a registered charity, H4C operates as a Public Benefit Entity under the terms set out by charity law. The charity's purpose is to support public benefit by enabling faith communities to move from environmental intention to sustained climate action. In line with charity law, H4C's activities are designed to benefit the wider public, particularly by empowering people of faith to engage in climate action. The charity achieves this through educational initiatives, participation in interfaith dialogues, and the creation of resources aimed at fostering environmentally sustainable practices within faith-based communities.

#### 1.4 Going concern

The CIO is reliant on generating income from donations. On the basis of this income and the ongoing activities of the CIO, the Trustees are of the opinion that there are no material uncertainties that the CIO's activities are able to continue for the foreseeable future, being twelve months from the date of approval of the accounts and therefore have prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

#### 1.5 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure, including staff costs, which meets these criteria are charged to the fund.

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE PERIOD FROM 23 AUGUST 2023 TO 31 AUGUST 2024**

### 1.6 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the CIO is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations and income are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Interest on deposit funds held is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity which is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

### 1.7 Resources expended and allocation of support costs

All expenditure is recognised in the period in which a liability is incurred and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the CIO in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

The cost of overall direction and administration of each activity, comprising the staff cost and overhead costs of the central function, is apportioned based on staff time, of the amount attributable to each activity.

### 1.8 Financial Instruments

The CIO only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

### 1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

### 1.10 Creditors

Creditors 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 are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

## 2. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £
Miscellaneous Donations	400	-	400
CAF American Donor Fund	-	30,000	30,000
	<b>400</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>30,400</b>

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE PERIOD FROM 23 AUGUST 2023 TO 31 AUGUST 2024**

### 3. Analysis of resources expended

	Direct costs £	Support costs (note 4) £	Grant funding of activities £	Total £
<b>Current period</b>				
Workshops and conferences	2,585	1,525	-	4,110
<b>Charitable activities</b>	<b>2,585</b>	<b>1,525</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,110</b>

### 4. Analysis of support costs

	Accountancy £	Advertising £	IT £	Total £
Workshops and Conferences	1,440	19	66	1,525
	<b>1,440</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>1,525</b>

### 5. Creditors

	2024 £
Accruals	1,440
	<b>1,440</b>

### 6. Unrestricted funds

	Balance at the start of the period £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	Balance at the end of the period £
<b>Current period</b>					
General fund	-	400	-	-	400
	<b>-</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>400</b>

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

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### 7. Restricted funds

Current period	Balance at the start of the period £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	Balance at the end of the period £
CAF American Donor Fund Grant	-	30,000	(4,110)	-	25,890
	-	<b>30,000</b>	<b>(4,110)</b>	-	<b>25,890</b>

This grant cannot be used for political campaigning, election-related activities, or named individual bursaries.

### 8. Related party transactions

There are no related party transactions to disclose for 2024. No trustees, key personnel, or connected parties received payments or benefits from the charity requiring disclosure under the Charities SORP (FRS 102).










# Hope4Creation August 2024 Accounts

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