

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 269769

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1975-07-29

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

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Activities

Objects: A) TO EDUCATE YOUNG PEOPLE ESPECIALLY BY TEACHING THEM THE NEED FOR AND THE MANNER OF RENDERING SERVICE TO THE DISADVANTAGED. B) TO RENDER SERVICES TO THE AGED AND DISABLED AND OR OTHERWISE DISADVANTAGED WITH A VIEW TO THE RELIEF OF POVERTY AMONGST THEM OR TO THE IMPROVEMENT OF THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE.FOR THE PUROSES OF THESE OBJECTS DISADVANTAGED MEANS PEOPLE WHO ARE IN NEED BY REASONS OF AGE INFIRMITY DISABLEMENT OR SOCIAL OR ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES AFFECTING THEM.

Activities: Task Force Trust was set up in 1975 with the objective of bringing together the young and elderly through intergenerational projects run by various organisations across the UK.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Elderly/old People

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£197,307	£167,413	-	-
2024-03-31	£170,773	£130,080	-	-
2023-03-31	£125,439	£88,284	-	-
2022-03-31	£6	£54,974	-	-
2021-03-31	£87,522	£17,377	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alexander John Randall		2023-06-19
Emma Rogers		2020-08-06
Lynne Brooke		2024-03-08
MICHAEL WAGGETT		
Tatiana Gren-Jardan		2023-06-19

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Accounts

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UNAUDITED
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Trustees	Lynne Brooke (Appointed on 8 March 2024) Alexander John Randall (Appointed on 19 June 2023) Tatiana Gren-Jardan (Appointed on 19 June 2023) Michael Waggett (Appointed on 12 March 2013) Emma Rogers (Appointed on 6 August 2020) Anthony Steen (Resigned on 6 November 2024)
Charity registered number	269769
Registered office and principal place of business	23 Erridge Road London SW19 3JA
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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees are pleased to present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

The trust is governed by an original trust deed dated 27th March 1975 and a supplemental deed dated 29th August 1975. The trust is a registered charity in England and Wales, number 269769.

Officers and committee

The statutory power of appointing new trustees applies to the trust. The original trustees of the trust were: Sir John Foster, Anthony Steen, Edward Mocatta and The Right Honorable Lord Goodman.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The main objects of the trust are to educate young people of either sex, especially by teaching them the need for and the manner of rendering service to the aged and disabled. To render services to the aged and disabled with a view to the relief of poverty amongst them, or to the improvement of their conditions of life, where they are in need by reasons of age infirmity, disablement or social or economic circumstances affecting them.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and have complied with their duty under Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011.

In planning our activities for the year, the Trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The Task Force Trust delivers public benefit through:

- 1. Reducing social isolation and promoting social cohesion**

By enabling people seeking asylum to participate in structured volunteering alongside local residents, including older people and those experiencing isolation, the Trust enables meaningful intergenerational and cross-community relationships. This work helps to reduce loneliness, strengthen community connections, and promote understanding and cohesion within diverse local communities.

- 2. Supporting wellbeing and inclusion through meaningful volunteering opportunities**

The Trust provides accessible opportunities for individuals, particularly people seeking asylum, to contribute positively to society while awaiting decisions on their asylum claims. Participation in volunteering supports mental wellbeing, confidence and a sense of purpose and belonging, while also enabling beneficiaries to develop skills, routines and social networks that support inclusion and integration.

- 3. Delivering practical benefit to communities through environmental and community action**

Through TFT's Action Asylum project, volunteers undertake practical activities that directly benefit local communities, including environmental conservation, wildlife habitat restoration, community gardening, neighbourhood improvement schemes and community building initiatives. These activities improve local environments and shared spaces, delivering tangible benefit to the wider public..

The Trustees are satisfied that these activities provide a direct and tangible benefit to the public, fostering social cohesion and supporting those in need.

Chairman's Statement

The Task Force Trust (TFT) was established in 1975, its purpose to involve young people in offering service, companionship and practical support, particularly to older and isolated members of society. Central to this was the belief that voluntary service provides mutual benefit: improving quality of life for those receiving support, while developing responsibility, skills, and civic engagement among those who give their time. In its first few years, TFT supported 15,000 young volunteers in London alone, raising funds to support this vital activity.

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Over more recent years (since 2020), the Trust's work has evolved to reflect the changing nature of community need in the United Kingdom. Grants from Michael Bishop Foundation, The National Lottery's Community Fund and another charitable foundation which wishes to remain anonymous have enabled the development and growth of TFT's 'Action Asylum' project: connecting asylum seekers with local communities and providing meaningful volunteering opportunities.

While intergenerational service remains a cornerstone of our work - with people seeking asylum regularly volunteering alongside and in support of older members of the community - the Trust now supports a much broader and more inclusive model of community engagement.

Action Asylum now brings together people of all ages, genders, abilities and backgrounds to volunteer side by side. Participants range from young children taking part in regular community improvement schemes with their families, to volunteers in their nineties contributing their time and experience within hospice and wellbeing projects. This breadth of participation reflects a genuine commitment to whole-community engagement and shared civic responsibility.

In terms of those supported and engaged through the Trust's work, the 'Action Asylum' project now works with people seeking asylum while they await decisions from the Home Office, individuals who have been granted refugee status, and members of long-established local communities, including British citizens and people from other migrant backgrounds who have settled in the UK. Volunteers come from a wide range of professional and personal backgrounds, bringing with them skills and experience that enrich both the projects delivered and the communities in which they take place.

Through this evolution, the Task Force Trust has remained faithful to its founding principles while adapting its delivery to meet contemporary social challenges. By fostering inclusive, intergenerational and community-led volunteering, the Trust continues to promote social cohesion, reduce isolation, and enable people from all walks of life to contribute positively to the communities they call home.

The Trustees remain proud of the Trust's heritage and encouraged by the depth and diversity of impact now being achieved through 'Action Asylum'. We are confident that this work delivers clear public benefit and continues to honour the original charitable purpose upon which the Trust was founded.

Key Project Activities

During the financial year from **1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025**, Task Force Trust continued to deliver its charitable objectives primarily through the **Action Asylum** programme, supporting people seeking asylum to contribute positively to their local communities through volunteering, environmental action and skills-based placements. The year marked a period of continued growth, consolidation and learning for the programme.

Engagement & Impact

During the 2024-25 financial year, Action Asylum continued to deliver significant social, environmental and community impact across all six existing delivery cities (Liverpool, Portsmouth, Stockton-on-Tees, Wakefield, Leeds, and Cardiff). The project expanded to a 7th city Coventry on 1 July 2024.

In September 2024, the programme reached a major milestone, having engaged **over 2,000 volunteers** since the start of National Lottery Community Fund support (June 2022). This reflected the sustained growth and reach of the project, as well as the strong demand for inclusive volunteering opportunities that bring people together across migration status and background.

Action Asylum worked with people from **98 different countries**, alongside participants from across the UK, demonstrating the truly global and diverse communities involved in the programme. The project also operates on a deeply intergenerational basis. Participants have ranged from a two-year-old taking part in community litter-picks in Splott, Cardiff - proudly declaring "*bad rubbish!*" as he collected litter with his mother, through to volunteers in their nineties, including those participating in the Butterwick Hospice project in Stockton-on-Tees.

Action Asylum is designed to build community cohesion as well as environmental and social impact. Our monitoring data shows that one in every three participants is a local resident who is not in the asylum system, volunteering alongside people seeking asylum and refugees. This mix of local residents and people with lived experience of forced migration is central to the programme's success, helping to break down barriers, reduce isolation, challenge stereotypes and create meaningful connections between people who might not otherwise meet.

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Together, these figures and stories demonstrate that Action Asylum is not only a volunteering programme, but a powerful platform for community integration, shared purpose and collective action across the UK.

Examples of Impact from each of our 7 project cities

These examples illustrate some highlights of how Action Asylum operated across seven cities during the period, combining environmental action, food security, skills-based volunteering and community integration through strong local partnerships.

Liverpool – Food Growing for Destitution Support

Partners: Asylum Link Merseyside, Dunbabin Allotments

In Liverpool, Action Asylum ran a thriving community food-growing project at Dunbabin Allotments, bringing together people seeking asylum and local residents every week from spring through to autumn. Volunteers worked side-by-side planting, tending and harvesting vegetables, learning from one another and sharing knowledge across cultures and languages.

All produce grown through the project was donated to Asylum Link Merseyside's destitution programme, where it was used in the soup kitchen and included in food parcels for people with no access to public funds. The project therefore directly linked environmental action with food security and crisis support.

Beyond the practical outcomes, the allotment became a social hub, with shared tea breaks, multilingual "word of the day" conversations, and strong friendships forming across the season. It was a powerful example of how green volunteering can build belonging while meeting real community need.



Liverpool Action Asylum volunteers at the allotment project - summer 2024

Coventry – Health Champions Programme

Partners: Coventry Refugee and Migrant Centre (CRMC), University of Warwick

Action Asylum delivered its Health Champions Programme, providing skilled volunteering placements for people seeking asylum who had previously worked in medicine / healthcare.

Health Champions supported community health outreach across the city, including in asylum accommodation, public health events and university spaces. Volunteers helped deliver basic health checks, provide dietary and lifestyle advice, promote

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smoking cessation and support people to understand how to access health services.

This programme allowed highly skilled individuals to retain and use their professional expertise while waiting for asylum decisions, while also strengthening links between refugee communities, universities and public health providers.

Stockton-on-Tees – Butterwick Hospice Community Project

Partners: Refugee Futures, Butterwick Hospice, Catalyst Centre

In summer 2024, Action Asylum volunteers in Stockton-on-Tees partnered with Butterwick Hospice to enhance the hospice's outdoor spaces and bring colour, creativity and comfort to children and families.

Volunteers helped maintain gardens, refresh planters and paint a large murale celebrating Butterwick Hospice. Nurses from the children's unit brought young patients outside to watch the mural being created, bringing moments of joy and connection into a challenging environment. One volunteer reflected:

“Learning new ideas within the community with this project has given me more capacity, more volunteering work and more experience.”



Action Asylum SOT volunteers paint the murale at Butterwick Hospice - June 2024

Cardiff – Splott Road Community Clean-Ups

Partners: Oasis Cardiff, Keep Wales Tidy, Splott Community Centre

In Cardiff, Action Asylum volunteers were regularly involved in a programme of community clean-ups in Splott, working alongside local residents and environmental partners to improve neighbourhood spaces.

Running through spring, summer and autumn, the sessions focused on cleaning green spaces, streets and public areas, improving local pride, environmental quality and community connection. Volunteers worked side-by-side with local people, building relationships and contributing visibly to neighbourhood wellbeing.

One volunteer shared:

“This volunteering has really made my mood better.”

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The project demonstrated how regular, visible environmental action can support mental wellbeing, reduce isolation and strengthen local communities.

Leeds – Hyde Park Picture House Volunteer Placement

Partners: RETAS Leeds, Hyde Park Picture House

In Leeds, Action Asylum created a skilled volunteering pathway with Hyde Park Picture House, a community-run independent cinema.

People seeking asylum were trained to work alongside local volunteers, supporting ticket sales, customer service, refreshments, fire safety and also contributing to film selection. The placement gave volunteers confidence, UK work experience and a strong sense of belonging within a much-loved community institution.



Jos, Deputy Manager at Hyde Park Picture House, said:

“I would like to express my sincere happiness for the wonderful support that Action Asylum volunteers have offered to the cinema, helping us to run and operate our community venue.”

Action Asylum Leeds new volunteers placed with Hyde Park Picture House doing their induction, May 2024

Wakefield – Volunteering with Mencap Charity Shops

Partners: Wakefield District City of Sanctuary, Creative Art House Wakefield, MENCAP

Action Asylum developed a new partnership with Mencap, supporting people with learning disabilities, their families and carers.

Volunteers took on roles in Mencap charity shops in Wakefield and Castleford, working alongside local volunteers to support retail operations, customer service and community engagement. These placements gave people seeking asylum meaningful UK work experience while supporting a vital disability charity.

A Mencap support worker said:

“We are delighted to be working with Action Asylum volunteers through Wakefield District City of Sanctuary and Art House, it is a great collaboration.”

Portsmouth – Southsea Green Community Garden

Partners: Portsmouth City of Sanctuary, Southsea Green, Soil2Cloth

In Portsmouth, Action Asylum volunteers played a central role in the Southsea Green Community Garden, a vibrant hub for climate action, food growing and community connection.

Volunteers supported planting, soil improvement and carbon-positive gardening techniques, helping improve biodiversity and green space in the city. The garden welcomed a wide range of community groups, creating a shared space for learning and connection.

The project also worked with Soil2Cloth, using flax seed grown on site to explore sustainable textiles and circular economy approaches, linking environmental action with creativity and education.

Through regular sessions across the year, the garden became a powerful example of climate action, inclusion and community-led regeneration.

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Action Asylum Portsmouth volunteers in Southsea Green community gardens - watering plants May 2024

Expansion and delivery

A key development during the year was the **launch of Action Asylum in Coventry** (with our new refugee partner CRMC), increasing the number of active project delivery areas to 7 cities and extending the reach of the programme to more asylum seekers and local community partners. Across all delivery locations, asylum seekers and local residents continued to take part in a wide range of practical volunteering activities, including environmental conservation, food growing through community gardening, local charity support, health champions, beach cleans, tree planting, and community support projects.

Participants were supported to use and develop their existing skills, with skilled volunteers contributing to activities such as carpentry, food preparation, event support and health community initiatives, alongside broader environmental action. The project continued to demonstrate that people seeking asylum are eager and able to make a positive contribution when given the opportunity and support to do so.

Independent evaluation and learning

During the year, Task Force Trust deepened its commitment to learning and evidence-based practice through an **independent evaluation partnership with the University of Nottingham**, led by Dr. Chris Stone. This work captured the impact of Action Asylum on participants' wellbeing, confidence, social connection and community integration, as well as the benefits to local environments and host communities. The evaluation has strengthened the Trust's ability to demonstrate impact, improve delivery, and engage funders and partners. The University of Nottingham's evaluation was completed and published in January 2025.

Please go to our website and read the full report:

www.actionasylum.uk/action-asylum-evaluation-report-2025

Communications

Public engagement and storytelling also developed significantly in the period. Through the **Refugees Rock** climbing club led by volunteers, the Trust supported the production of a short documentary film, *Finding Freedom* produced by a refugee film maker, showcasing the experiences of refugees and people seeking asylum participating in outdoor and community activities. The film was screened at the Kendal Mountain Film festival in November 24, with our volunteer team being invited to the premier. This film helped raise awareness of the project and challenge negative stereotypes by highlighting contribution, resilience and shared humanity.

In March 2025, we began collaborating with the Daily Mirror on a national article showcasing Action Asylum. We also had success in the local press with stories featuring volunteers in action.

Challenging external environment - anti-migration protests

The year was also marked by a challenging external environment, including rising periods of community tension and far-right hostility in some areas. Despite some disruption during the summer months, including the lead project delivery charity Asylum Link Merseyside (Liverpool) being directly targeted by far-right groups, the programme remained active across all areas and continued to engage participants throughout the year.

Supporting participation during a cost-of-living crisis

The financial year took place against a backdrop of a significant cost-of-living crisis, with rising energy, transport and accommodation costs placing additional pressure on both asylum seekers and partner organisations. In June 2024, following

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support and agreement with the National Lottery Community Fund, Task Force Trust implemented a 5% uplift in payments to all Action Asylum project leads and delivery partners to help reflect increased living and operating costs.

In addition, the housing contribution paid to partner organisations was increased to £150 per organisation per year, recognising the rising costs of rent, utilities and facilities required to host staff and support project delivery. These measures were designed to ensure that participation remained viable, that staff and partners were adequately supported, and that the programme could continue to operate safely and effectively during a period of economic strain.

Match funding & project expenditure

During August 2024, Task Force Trust's chairman at the time, Anthony Steen CBE, initiated efforts to secure match funding. In March 2025, the Trust successfully obtained £50,000 in match funding from another charitable foundation wishing to remain anonymous, with the first £25,000 installment received at the end of the accounting period. In December 2024, Anthony Steen retired due to poor health, and Lord Randall of Uxbridge assumed the role of Chairman, bringing environmental experience and key government links.

All Action Asylum activities during the accounting period were covered by the National Lottery Community Fund. The match-funding funds expenditure will be shown in next year's accounts.

The majority of project expenditure is detailed under the "Support to Charities" section. This primarily consists of payments to our seven partner charities, who host Action Asylum projects in Liverpool, Portsmouth, Stockton-on-Tees, Wakefield, Leeds, Cardiff, and Coventry. These payments cover project delivery costs, salaries, housing fees, project phones, and activity-related expenses, forming the bulk of the year's expenditure.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

The Charity is primarily funded by grants. Income for the year included the continuation of a multi-year (3 years) grant from The National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF) (awarded in June 2022) and new funding secured from a charitable foundation which wishes to remain anonymous. This new funding is a two-year grant to support the expansion of the Action Asylum programme.

Grant Making Policy

The funding received during this period was restricted specifically for the delivery and expansion of the Action Asylum programme. As a result, the Trust's resources were dedicated exclusively to the Action Asylum network and its delivery partners. Consequently, the Charity did not provide funding support to any other organisations during the year and did not seek or accept applications for funding from the wider sector.

Reimbursement of Grant Payment

During the year, grant payments of a total of £18,226 were made in error to a separate organisation. This matter was resolved within the financial year, with the former Chairman, Anthony Steen, personally reimbursing the full amount to the Trust. As such, there was no net financial loss to the Charity.

Acknowledgements

The Trustees wish to express their sincere thanks, gratitude, and appreciation to all the Trust's donors, The National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF) and our other major funders. Their vital and ongoing support has been essential in enabling the Trust to continue the important work of Action Asylum.

Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

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Reserves policy

The Executive Committee regularly reviews the reserves of the trust to ensure that sufficient liquid funds are available to meet its ongoing obligations.

For the year ended 31 March 2025, the incoming resources are £197,307 and the resources expended are £167,413. The surplus of funds for the year is £29,894 and the starting funds was £104,043 giving a total closing funds of £ 133,937 of which £22,893 was unrestricted and £111,044 was restricted as at 31 March 2025.

Investment Policy

The Executive Committee's policy at present is to invest in low-risk and reasonably liquid assets, so that funds are available to meet any unforeseen needs that may arise.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments 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 financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements 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 charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Risk Assessment The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

Approved by the Trustees on 29 January 2026 and signed on their behalf by:



Lord Randall of Uxbridge
(Acting Chairman)

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TASK FORCE TRUST ('THE CHARITY') FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity'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 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 March 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 2011 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 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.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report



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Archibald Graham (FCCA, FRSA)
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29 January 2026

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and Legacies	3	1,754	194,385	196,139	169,728
Investments	5	1,168	-	1,168	1,045
Total income		2,922	194,385	197,307	170,773
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Charitable activities	6	-	167,413	167,413	130,080
Total expenditure		-	167,413	167,413	130,080
Net income/(expenditure) for the year before transfers		2,922	26,972	29,894	40,693
Transfers between funds	16	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		2,922	26,972	29,894	40,693
Reconciliation of funds:					
Balance at 01 April 2024		19,971	84,072	104,043	63,350
Balance at 31 March 2025		22,893	111,044	133,937	104,043

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognized in the year.

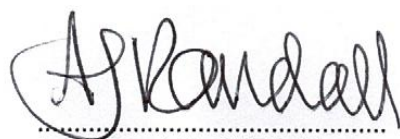
The notes on pages 15 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 269769

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets			
Debtors due within one year	13	25,000	-
Cash at bank and in hand		110,733	105,275
Total current assets		135,733	105,275
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Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	1,796	1,232
Net current assets / (liabilities)		133,937	104,043
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Total assets less current liabilities		133,937	104,043
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Total net assets		133,937	104,043
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Charity funds			
Unrestricted funds	16	22,893	19,971
Restricted funds	16	111,044	84,072
Total charity funds		133,937	104,043

The financial statements were approved and authorized for issue by the Trustees on 29 January 2026 and signed on their behalf by:



Lord Randall of Uxbridge
(Chair of Trustees)

The notes on pages 15 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 March 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Task Force Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

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

1.2 Income

All income is recognized once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donated services or facilities are recognized when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the Charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the general volunteer time is not recognized and refer to the Trustees' report for more information about their contribution.

On receipt, donated professional services and facilities are recognized on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity which is the amount it would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognized in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognized at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognized at the time the investment income is receivable.

Other income is recognized in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognized once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Charity and include project management carried out at Headquarters. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

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Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the Charity's operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Charity apportioned to charitable activities.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.5 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognized when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognized at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognized in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

1.6 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognized 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.

1.7 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the trust for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements

1.8 Taxation

As a charity, the charitable funds are exempt from corporation tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is, in accordance with standard accounting practice, included in the cost of those items to which it relates

2. General information

The Task Force Trust, an unincorporated organisation, was registered as a charity on 29 July 1975. It is governed by a declaration of trust sealed on 29 July 1975 and operates in accordance with its constitution. The trust's principal office address is 23 Erridge Road, London SW19 3JA

The financial statements are presented in Pound Sterling (£) which is the Charity's functional and presentation currency.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Donations	1,754	-	1,754	100	-	100
Grants	-	194,385	194,385	-	169,628	169,628
Total income from donations and legacies	1,754	194,385	196,139	100	169,628	169,728

4. Grants receivable for core activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
The National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF)	-	144,385	144,385	-	169,628	169,628
Action Asylum Expansion Grant	-	50,000	50,000	-	-	-
Total income from grants receivable for core activities	-	194,385	194,385	-	169,628	169,628

5. Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Interest Income	1,168	-	1,168	1,045	-	1,045
Total income from charitable activities	1,168	-	1,168	1,045	-	1,045

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6. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Support to other charitable organizations	148,982	148,982	-	123,552	123,552	123,552
Audit & Accountancy fees	3,351	3,351	-	2,762	2,762	2,762
Consultancy	9,490	9,490	-	1,150	1,150	1,150
Trustee Expenses	1,611	1,611	-	2,059	2,059	2,059
Charitable Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Postage, Freight & Courier	90	90	-	57	57	57
IT Software and Consumables	713	713	-	460	460	460
Travel	3,176	3,176	-	40	40	40
Total expenditure on charitable activities	167,413	167,413	-	130,080	130,080	130,080

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Grant Making	-	167,413	167,413	-	130,080	130,080
Total expenditure on charitable activities	-	167,413	167,413	-	130,080	130,080

8. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2025 £	Support costs 2025 £	Governance costs 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Activities undertaken directly 2024 £	Support costs 2024 £	Governance costs 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Grant Making	148,982	13,469	4,962	167,413	123,552	1,707	4,821	130,080
Total expenditure by activities	148,982	13,469	4,962	167,413	123,552	1,707	4,821	130,080

9. Governance costs

During the year ended 31 March 2025, the Charity incurred the following Governance costs:

£ 3,351 Accountancy fees (2024 - £2,762) included within the table above in respect of Charitable Activities.

10. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's total remuneration was £1,200 (2024: £510). Of this amount, £500 relates to the independent examination and £700 relates to the preparation of the financial statements..

11. Staff costs

The charity has no paid staff and relies on the services of trustees and volunteers to undertake its activities. No staff costs were incurred during the year (2024: £Nil)

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12. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2024 - £NIL).

During the year, £1,611 Trustee expenses have been incurred (2024 - £2,059).

13. Debtors

Due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	25,000	-
Total debtors due within one year	25,000	-

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,584	1,020
Other creditors	212	212
Total creditors: falling due within one year	1,796	1,232

15. Financial instruments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	110,733	105,275

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise cash and cash equivalent.

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16. Movement of funds - current year

	Balance at 01 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted					
General fund	19,971	2,922	-	-	22,893
Total unrestricted funds	19,971	2,922	-	-	22,893
Restricted					
The National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF)	84,072	144,385	(167,413)	-	61,044
Action Asylum Expansion Grant	-	50,000	-	-	50,000
Total of restricted funds	84,072	194,385	(167,413)	-	111,044
Total funds	104,043	197,307	(167,413)	-	133,937
- prior year					
	<i>Balance at 01 April 2023 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2024 £</i>
Unrestricted					
General fund	18,826	1,145	-	-	19,971
Total unrestricted funds	18,826	1,145	-	-	19,971
Restricted					
The National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF)	44,524	169,628	(130,080)	-	84,072
Action Asylum Expansion Grant	-	-	-	-	-
Total of restricted funds	44,524	169,628	(130,080)	-	84,072
Total funds	63,350	170,773	(130,080)	-	104,043

- The National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF) grant represents restricted funding received as part of a multi-year award (2022–2025). These funds are restricted specifically for the core coordination and delivery of the Action Asylum programme.

- The Action Asylum Expansion Grant represents restricted funding received to support the expansion of the project into new locations. The donor has requested to remain anonymous.

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17. Analysis of net assets between funds

- current year

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Total funds 2025
	£	£	£
Current assets	22,893	112,840	135,733
Creditors due within one year	-	(1,796)	(1,796)
Total	22,893	111,044	133,937

- prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
<i>Current assets</i>	21,203	84,072	105,275
<i>Creditors due within one year</i>	(1,232)	-	(1,232)
Total	19,971	84,072	104,043

18. Related party transactions

During the year, grant payments totaling £18,226 were made in error to a Ukrainian organization. This payment was personally reimbursed in full by the then-Chairman, Anthony Steen, within the financial year. There was no outstanding balance regarding this matter at the balance sheet date.

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THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Trustees and advisers

Charity name : THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Charity Registration No 269769

Principal address of the Charity 9 Acacia Place
London
NW8 6AJ

Charity Trustees	Lynne Brooke	Appointed on 8 March 2024
	Alexander John Randall	Appointed on 19 June 2023
	Tatiana Gren-Jardan	Appointed on 19 June 2023
	Michael Waggett	
	Emma Rogers	

Anthony Steen Resigned on 6 November 2024

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ME4 4RT

Independent examiner MMTI Ltd
Chartered Accountants
Monument House
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THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Structure governance and management

Constitution

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The trust is a registered charity in England and Wales , number 269769.

Officers and committee

The statutory power of appointing new trustees applies to the trust. The original trustees of the trust were : Sir John Foster, Anthony Steen, Edward Mocatta and The Right Honorable Lord Goodman.

Objectives, activities and achievements

The main objects of the trust is to educate young people of either sex ,especially by teaching them the need for and the manner of rendering service to the aged and disabled.

To render services to the aged and disabled with aview to the relief of poverty amongst them, or to the improvement of their conditions of life, where they are in need by reasons of age infirmity, disablement or social or economic circumstances affecting them.

To the best of the trustee's knowledge, all of the activities of the trust pass the public benefit test.

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Chairman's Statement

The original purpose of the Task Force Trust established in 1975 was to give effect to the existing work of Task Force. Its aim to involve young people in giving service and friendship, particularly the elderly and lonely to improve the quality of their life, by giving practical help and their time and interest and in doing so, providing mutual benefits to both the young and old.

Since 1964, Task Force has worked with some 15,000 young volunteers in London alone. The Trust's aim was to raise money to fund these activities. When Task Force closed its doors in the 1980's, the Trust decided to fund similar organisations which involved younger people helping in the community in various ways. Between 1985 and 2005 the Trust engaged in spasmodic activity, however, with the help of the Michael Bishop Foundation, a plan was conceived to involve younger asylum seekers to giving voluntary service to the community in which they lived together with local people.

National Lottery

In 2020 the Lottery offered Task Force Trust a development grant to test the viability of extending this initiative. The 2023-24 financial statement highlights a unique financial arrangement to utilise existing organisations already working with young asylum seekers by making modest payments to existing NGO's already working in this field to enable asylum seekers to undertake part time community work as volunteers. In this way 'Action Asylum' project funded by the Task Force Trust brought asylum seekers together with existing community groups.

Section 3.2 of the Task Force Trust deed specifically states to achieve its objectives the trustees can do all things that are incidental or conducive there to support and contribute to the funds of any other charitable organisation with similar objectives. The Lottery grant was spent prudently with the minimal overheads and limited central costs.

A national coordinator (who is a qualified social worker), housed as staff with NGO Asylum Link has continued to work to extend the 'Action Asylum' project plan. Merseyside has proved during the year to be the largest and most successful of the six current operations, the others being Portsmouth, Stockton-on-Tees, Leeds, Cardiff and Wakefield. The total number of asylum seekers involved over 23/24 has continued to grow with participants from a total of 96 different countries and the number of local people is increasing month by month as well.

Activities have ranged from growing food for community food banks, cleaning beaches and canals of litter, tree planting and other environmental and welfare operations, including placements for skilled carpenters to build furniture for families on low incomes, and cooking for destitution projects. Where possible volunteers are matched to placements where they can use their existing skills as well as develop new skills. What the Task Force Trust has proved is that using existing organisations, young asylum seekers are ready to contribute to environmental and social improvements.

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Chairman's Statement (continued)

The Task Force Trust trustees have been responsible for a growing budget for 2023/2024. Any professional help has been employed on a part-time charitable basis. If the Action Asylum initiative continues to expand to more wider areas, a wider spectrum of trustees will be considered. Task Force Trust has found a way to release the latent talent of thousands of asylum seekers joining with local people jointly for the common good.

Financial Review

The Executive Committee regularly reviews the reserves of the trust to ensure that sufficient liquid funds are available to meet its ongoing obligations.

Investment Policy

The Executive Committee's policy at present is to invest in low-risk and reasonably liquid assets, so that funds are available to meet any unforeseen needs that may arise.

Executive Committee's Responsibility

The Chairman is responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law. And UK generally accepted accounting practice. Charity law required the Executive Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the trust and of the surplus or deficit for that period.


The trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the trust has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. It is also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the trust. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Risk assessment

The major risks to which the Trust is potentially exposed (such as financial and legal liabilities), as identified by the Trustees, have been reviewed in the accounting year and we are confident that we have the appropriate systems and procedures in place to mitigate these risks.

The Trust accepted the Resignation of the Chairman Anthony D Steen on 6 November 2024.
The Trust appointed the new Acting Chairman Lord Randall of Uxbridge on 6 November 2024.

Approved by the Chairman on 31 January 2025


Alexander Randall (Feb 3, 2025, 20:20 GMT+9)

Lord Randall of Uxbridge
Acting Chairman

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE THE TASK FORCE TRUST

We report on the accounts of The Task Force Trust for the year ended 31 March 2024, set out on pages 1 - 8.

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 year under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as 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 our examination, no matter has come to our attention :

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements,
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.have not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.


.....
Ghazanfar Langah

Dated : 31 January 2025

MMTI Ltd
Chartered Accountants
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**Statement of Financial Activities
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources					
Grants and Donations		100		-	
Restricted Income		169,628		125,200	
Interest received		1,045		239	
			170,773		125,439
Expenses					
Bank charges		-		36	
Support to other charitable organisation		123,551		86,016	
Postage		57		51	
Travel expenses		40		324	
Trustee costs		2,059		207	
Event Costs		-		375	
Consultancy		1,150		-	
IT & Consumables		460		360	
Book keeping cost		2,002		404	
Accountancy fee		760		510	
			(130,080)		(88,284)
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the year			40,693		37,155

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**Balance Sheet
as at 31st March 2024**

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Bank Current account		1,000		1,000	
Bank reserve account		104,275		63,072	
			105,275		64,072
Liabilities					
Accrual		1,020		510	
Other Creditors		212		212	
			(1,232)		(722)
Total assets less liabilities			104,043		63,350
Capital and Reserves					
Brought forward reserves			63,350		26,195
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year			40,693		37,155
			104,043		63,350

The accounts were approved by the trustees on the 31 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by :


 Alexander Randall (Feb 3, 2025 20:20 GMT+9)

Chairman : Lord Randall of Uxbridge

Dated: 31 January 2025

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Notes to the accounts

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, on the accruals basis, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Charities" (2019).

2 Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accountancy fees	1,020	510
	<u>1,020</u>	<u>997</u>


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Final Audit Report

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Charity Registration No 269769

Principal address of the Charity 9 Acacia Place
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Anthony Steen
Emma Rogers

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One of the original staff with Asylum Link (a qualified social worker) agreed to relinquish some of her duties to develop and extend the Action Asylum plan. Merseyside has proved during the year to be one of the most successful of the current operations, the others being Portsmouth, Stockton-on-Tees, Leeds, Cardiff and Wakefield. The total number of asylum seekers involved over 22/23 have grown beyond last year's estimate of 2500 and the number of local people is increasing month by month aswell.

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Investment Policy

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Executive Committee's Responsibility

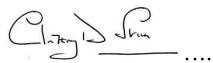
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Risk assessment

The major risks to which the Trust is potentially exposed (such as financial and legal liabilities), as identified by the Trustees, have been reviewed in the accounting year and we are confident that we have the appropriate systems and procedures in place to mitigate these risks.

Approved by the Chairman on 2 February 2024



Susie Hook (Feb 3, 2024, 4:54pm)

Anthony D Steen CBE

Chairman

02 Feb 2024

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE THE TASK FORCE TRUST

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It is our responsibility to:

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Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as 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 our examination, no matter has come to our attention :

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements,
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.

have not been met; or

2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



N G Lachman

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Lachman Associates

Chartered Accountants,

Dated : **02 February 2024**

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THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Statement of Financial Activities
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

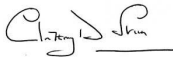
	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources					
Restricted Income		125,200		-	
Interest received		<u>239</u>		<u>6</u>	
			125,439		6
Expenses					
Bank charges		36		-	
Support to other charitable organisation		86,016		41,149	
Postage		51		36	
Travel expenses		324		7	
Trustee costs		207		180	
Event Costs		375		-	
Consultancy		-		11,816	
IT & Consumables		360		800	
Book keeping cost		404		545	
Accountancy fee		<u>510</u>		<u>440</u>	
			(88,284)		(54,974)
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the year			<u><u>37,155</u></u>		<u><u>(54,968)</u></u>

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

**Balance Sheet
as at 31st March 2023**

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Bank Current account		1,000		1,000	
Bank reserve account		63,072		26,404	
			64,072		27,404
Liabilities					
Accrual		510		997	
Other Creditors		212		212	
			(722)		(1,209)
Total assets less liabilities					
			63,350		26,195
 Capital and Reserves					
Reserve B/fwd.			26,195		81,164
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year			37,155		(54,968)
			63,350		26,195

The accounts were approved by the trustees on the 2 February 2024 and signed on their behalf by :



Susie Hook (Feb 3, 2024, 4:54pm)
Chairman : Anthony D Steen CBE

Dated: 02 February 2024

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Notes to the accounts

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, on the accruals basis, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Charities" (2019).

2 Creditors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accountancy fees	510	500
Book keeping	-	497
	<u>510</u>	<u>997</u>



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Accounts

THE TASK FORCE TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

Lachman Associates
Chartered Accountants

THE TASK FORCE TRUST
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

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THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Trustees and advisers

Charity name : THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Charity Registration No 269769

Principal address of the Charity 9 Acacia Place
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Charity Trustees Michael Waggett
Anthony Steen
Emma Rogers

Bankers Natwest
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Independent examiner N G Lachman
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THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Chairman's Statement

The purpose of the Task Force Trust established 29 August 1975 was principally to give effect to the work of 1964 Task Force Ltd. It aimed to educate young people to befriend the old and lonely to relieve loneliness and improve the quality of life. In doing so it benefited the young themselves through history lessons, playing games like chess, attending school functions, in fact providing mutual benefits to both the old and young

So long as 1964 Task Force Ltd continued its work with some 15,000 young volunteers in London alone, the Task Force Trust raised money to help continue with these activities. When Task Force Ltd closed its doors in the early 1980s, the Task Force Trust trustees decided to fund similar organisations (e.g. Magic Me charity) which involved young people helping in the community in different ways.

For about 20 years (1985-2005) the Task Force Trust had only engaged in spasmodic activity e.g. funding the London Symphonia made up of mostly young musicians giving concerts to the elderly in residential homes. However, with the help of the Michael Bishop Foundation, a plan was conceived to involve young asylum seekers in giving service to the community together with indigeneous young people.

In 2020 the National Lottery Fund offered the Task Force Trust a development grant to test the viability of extending this initiative throughout the UK where the asylum seekers have been placed by the Home Office prior to the determination of their status. The 2019-2020 financial statement highlights expenditure during the first few months of this initiative. This new arrangement was not to establish a new organisation with headquarter costs and administrative staff; but rather to utilise existing organisations already working with asylum seekers by making modest payments to them to enable existing workers or volunteers to undertake part-time work. In this way Action Asylum project (Task Force Trust) was started bringing asylum seekers together with already existing community and social groups involved in environmental and community improvement.

Section 3.2 of the Task Force Trust deed specifically states to achieve its objectives the trustees can do all things that are incidental or conducive thereto to support and contribute to the funds of any other charitable organisation with similar objectives.

The development grant has been spent prudently with the minimum of overheads and central costs. Trustees meet staff every fortnight via Zoom during Covid, and one of the original volunteers already 'a qualified social worker' agreed to relinquish some of her duties to develop and extend the Action Asylum plan. Merseyside is now one of the most successful of the four operations, the other three being Sheffield, Portsmouth and Southampton and lately Stockton-upon-Tees and Middlesborough.

The total number of asylum seekers involved over the year is over 2,500 with a matched number of local people working in various activities including existing allotment sights, litter collection with Marine Conservation, environmental and welfare operations, including tree planting, and other outdoor activities, horse experienced asylum seekers work with disabled children in riding stables, and skilled asylum seeking technicians provided assistance for outside entertainment. Loneliness and boredom of asylum seekers confined to hotel rooms and growth of mental illness have been halted.

What Action Asylum has done is to enable asylum seekers to contribute with the local community to environmental and social improvements.

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Chairman's Statement (continued)

The three Task Force Trust trustees have been responsible for a modest budget for 2021. Any professional help has been employed on a part-time charitable basis. If the Action Asylum initiative is to expand to more areas a wider spectrum of trustees will be sought. I am delighted the Task Force Trust has found a way to release the latent talent of thousands of asylum seekers joining with local people jointly for the common good.

Financial Review

The Executive Committee regularly reviews the reserves of the trust to ensure that sufficient liquid funds are available to meet its ongoing obligations.

Investment Policy

The Executive Committee's policy at present is to invest in low-risk and reasonably liquid assets, so that funds are available to meet any unforeseen needs that may arise.

Executive Committee's Responsibility

The Executive Committee is responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice. Charity Law requires the Executive Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the trust and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Treasurer and advisors have:

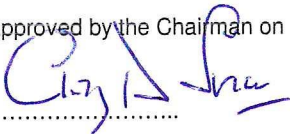
- * Selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently ;
- * Made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent ;
- * Prepared the financial statements on the basis that the Society is a going concern and will continue in existence for the foreseeable future.

The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the trust has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. It is also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Trust. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Risk assessment

The major risks to which the Trust is potentially exposed (such as financial and legal liabilities), as identified by the Trustees, have been reviewed in the accounting year, and we are confident that we have the appropriate systems and procedures in place to mitigate these risks.

Approved by the Chairman on 27/01/2022



Anthony D Steen CBE
Chairman

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE THE TASK FORCE TRUST

We report on the accounts of The Task Force Trust for the year ended 31 March 2021, set out on pages 6 - 8.

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 year under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as 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 our examination, no matter has come to our attention :

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements,
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.have not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lachman Associates


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Dated : **27 January 2022**

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THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31st March 2021

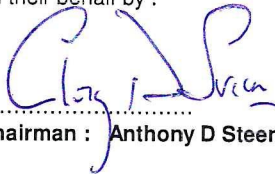
	Notes	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources					
Grants and Donations		37,500		100	
Restricted Income		50,000		-	
Interest received		22		103	
			87,522		203
Expenses					
Bank charges		-		21	
Support to other charitable organisation		15,433		13,734	
Charitable and political donation		1,000		-	
Trustee costs		-		1,558	
Book keeping cost		384		-	
Accountancy fee		560		144	
			(17,377)		(15,457)
Net surplus / (Deficit) for the year			70,146		(15,254)

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Balance Sheet
as at 31st March 2021

	Notes	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Bank Current account		1,000		100	
Bank reserve account		81,300		48,610	
			82,300		48,710
Liabilities					
Accrual		1,136		192	
Deferred income		-		37,500	
			(1,136)		(37,692)
Total assets less liabilities		81,164		11,018	
Capital and Reserves					
Reserve B/fwd.			11,018		26,272
Current year profit / loss			70,146		(15,254)
			81,164		11,018

The accounts were approved by the trustees on the ^{27th}~~xxth~~ 2022 and signed on their behalf by :



Chairman : Anthony D Steen CBE

Dated:

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Year Ended 31st March 2021
Notes to the accounts

1 Accounting policies

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2 Creditors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accountancy fees	752	192
Book keeping	384	-
Deferred income	-	37,500
	<u>1,136</u>	<u>600</u>

THE TASK FORCE TRUST

Structure governance and management

Constitution

The trust is governed by an original trust deed dated 27th March 1975 and a supplemental deed dated 29th August 1975,

The trust is a registered charity in England and Wales , number 269769.

Officers and committee

The statutory power of appointing new trustees applies to the trust. The original trustees of the trust were : Sir John Foster, Anthony Steen, Edward Mocatta and The Right Honorable Lord Goodman.

Objectives, activities and achievements

The main objects of the trust is to educate young people of either sex , especially by teaching them the need for and the manner of rendering service to the aged and disabled.

To render services to the aged and disabled with a view to the relief of poverty amongst them, or to the improvement of their conditions of life, where they are in need by reasons of age infirmity, disablement or social or economic circumstances affecting them.

To the best of the trustee's knowledge, all of the activities of the trust pass the public benefit test.