



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023 Period start date to 5<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Period end date

Charity name: SEAN International

Charity registration number: 286965

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the charity are to advance the Christian faith and ministry for the benefit of the public by developing theological education, principally by extension, so that it is accessible by a wide range of people including those who cannot afford other types of education. The charity is involved with the publication and distribution of Christian literature and materials throughout the world. The charity's ministry is independent, interdenominational and international and so benefits a wide section of the public.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The charity has continued to produce, promote, distribute and facilitate the production and distribution of extension education materials. It has also developed and revised many of its publications in response to the need for accessible Christian educational resources for both Christian and non-Christian cultures. The courses are also promoted via the website and social media.</p> <p>The charity has co-operated with other Christian extension learning organisations and Christian broadcasting organisations to further its objects and to ensure that as many people as possible benefit from its activities.</p> <p>The trustees regularly review the charity activities and make plans for the future, to ensure that the SEAN courses maintain their quality and availability, throughout the world, in many languages and in a range of media formats, as communications and digital technology continues to provide more opportunities to serve and benefit the public.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity	Para 1.18	The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, as well as the specific guidance for charities on the advancement of religion.

Commission on public benefit		
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#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		The charity is called SEAN International as it seeks to produce study materials to enable Study by Extension for All Nations

### Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During the year we have developed our contact with a wide network of organizations committed to education by extension. Many of these organisations, and their students, who are often from very poor areas, benefit from the use of our courses. We have also worked, and provided input at training opportunities, with other organisations involved with Theological Education by Extension (TEE). We have gained further information about those distributing and using courses and materials developed by our charity, which will assist us in future revision and development of our courses. We have continued our research and deepened our knowledge as we progress the possibility of more providing courses via digital platforms and mobile devices, which will benefit a wider section of society.

#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set		



	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		The charity has prepared its accounts on the basis of being a going concern, having both considered and assessed the normal risks the charity faces, plus the additional challenges caused by world news events, serious conflicts in the world, and the resultant economic and environmental impacts in which the charity operates.

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The net assets of the charity at 5th April 2024 were £224,734, being 5% more than at 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 (£214,094).
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustees aim to hold a minimum of the previous year's payments as unrestricted undesignated reserves at the beginning of each financial year, and to maintain no more than twice that amount as unrestricted undesignated reserves. The reserves position is reviewed annually.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£224,734 (including £23,233 restricted funds (2023: £214,094 incl. £12,724 restricted funds))
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The charity has prepared its accounts on a going concern basis, having both considered and assessed the normal risks the charity faces, plus additional risks caused world news events and conflicts in some parts of the world. The trustees regularly assess the ongoing situations and follow guidance issued by the relevant authorities.

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		<b>Trust Deed dated 8<sup>th</sup> April 1982</b>
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	<b>Trust Deed</b>
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<b>Election by existing trustees</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	SEAN International
Other name the charity uses	SEAN
Registered charity number	286965
Charity's principal address	Ferndale, Cranston Road, East Grinstead, RH19 3HL



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### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev Dr A R Angel	Chair		
2	Rev Dr G P Aylett	Vice Chair		
3	Rev T J Barratt		to 12 September 2023	
4	Prof. C Brassett			
5	Mrs C Freeman			
6	Rev Dr T M W Green			
7	Rev T P Subedi			
8	Rev N Woodbury		to 12 September 2023	
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### Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

### Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	

Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	
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#### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Dr Markus Voelker
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#### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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#### Other optional information

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#### Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Andy Angel	
Full name(s)	ANDREW RICHARD ANGEL	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR OF TRUSTEES	
Date	23 JANUARY 2025	



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Charity Name  
**SEAN International**

No (if any)  
**285965**

**CC16a**

## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	06/04/2023		05/04/2024

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations from churches/charities	7,103	9,941	-	17,044	21,159
Donations from Individuals	5,097	2,700	-	7,797	6,681
Tax repayments	1,716	-	-	1,716	3,615
Other income/grants	-	19,500	-	19,500	9,448
Royalty income	46,466	-	-	46,466	43,479
Investment income	4,805	-	-	4,805	3,164
Legacy income	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>65,187</b>	<b>32,141</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>97,329</b>	<b>87,546</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>65,187</b>	<b>32,141</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>97,329</b>	<b>87,546</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Direct support for users of courses	4,634	10,695	-	15,329	4,370
Office admin and personnel	15,098	-	-	15,098	13,750
Operations management	23,397	-	-	23,397	22,347
Editorial & Translation support	1,419	5,440	-	6,859	298
Publicity/Newsletters	491	7,500	-	7,991	7,813
Website and Digital development	2,104	-	-	2,104	2,075
Governance	19,228	-	-	19,228	4,254
Conferences	3,280	-	-	3,280	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>69,651</b>	<b>23,635</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>93,286</b>	<b>54,907</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>69,651</b>	<b>23,635</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>93,286</b>	<b>54,907</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 4,464</b>	<b>8,506</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,042</b>	<b>32,639</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>- 2,003</b>	<b>2,003</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>106,028</b>	<b>12,724</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>118,752</b>	<b>86,113</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>99,561</b>	<b>23,233</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>122,794</b>	<b>118,752</b>



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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Petty cash/floats	2,510	-	-
	CAF Current Account	3,665	-	-
	CAF Deposit Account	93,386	23,233	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>99,561</b>	<b>23,233</b>	<b>-</b>
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Debtor: Tax repayment due	-	-	-
	Debtor: PICI	15,758	-	-
	Debtor: other	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	CCLA Investment Fund Units	Unrestricted	50,000	95,397
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Fixed Assets (IT Equipment)	Unrestricted	4,290	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Re debtors/commitments	Unrestricted	9,215	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Andy Angel	ANDREW RICHARD ANGEL	23/01/25





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

SEAN International

On accounts for the year  
ended

5<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

286965

Set out on pages

CCXX R1 & R2 accounts (SS)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 05/04/2024.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

24/01/2025

Name:

Jacobus van der Merwe

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

ACA

Address:

Foot Davson Ltd, Lonsdale Gate, Lonsdale Gardens,  
Tunbridge Wells, Kent  
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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