

PARTNERS IN SERVICE

England & Wales · Charity number 327424

Details

Other names	DBI PARTNERS UK
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1987-04-08
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: A) TO HELP THE SPREAD OF THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WORLDWIDE. (FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE SEE CLAUSE 3(1),(2) AND (3) OF DECLARATION OF TRUST).

Activities: Our principal object is to help spread the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ worldwide. This is mainly done by promoting the aims and objects of Delhi Bible Institute, India and encouraging prayer and financial support for its work through the distribution of news and other resources and organising visits to the UK by DBI's National Director. Partners In Service is DBI's UK representative trust.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WORLDWIDE
- India
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£510,278	£392,049	£392,489	2
2024-03-31	£299,996	£263,897	-	-
2023-03-31	£161,588	£213,168	-	-
2022-03-31	£348,679	£369,006	-	-
2021-03-31	£377,463	£227,638	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev PHILIP ROBERTSON HAIR	Chair	
Alastair John Dunlop		2021-07-10
DOROTHY JOAN PAVEY		
Dr Sally Ann Raheja		2021-07-10
Howard Kenward Allan Mason		
MIKE SMAILES		2020-10-03
REVEREND PREBENDARY IAN RICHARD LEWIS		
Richard James Henry		2021-07-10
STEPHEN JAMES DALLING		
Thomas William David Johnston		

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Accounts



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Annual Report and Accounts

for the year ended 31st March 2025

**Delhi Bible Institute's
UK representative charity
(Registered no: 327424)**

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

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PARTNERS IN SERVICE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

CHARITY NAME:

Partners in Service

WORKING NAME:

DBI Partners UK

CHARITY REGISTERED NUMBER:

327424

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS:

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CURRENT TRUSTEES:

Rev David Johnston (Chair until 21/3/25)
Rev Philip Hair (Vice Chair until 21/3/25 and then Chair)
Mr Stephen Dalling (Secretary)
Mr Richard Henry (Treasurer)
Rev Alastair Dunlop
Rev Prebendary Ian Lewis
Rev Howard Mason
Mrs Dorothy Pavvey
Dr Sally Raheja
Rev Michael Smailes

BANKERS:

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PARTNERS IN SERVICE
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of Partners in Service ('the Charity'/the Trust') for the year ended 31st March 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 11 and 12 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011, the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2019) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Objectives and activities

The principal object of the Charity is to promote the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ through actions which are prompted by the love and example of His life. This is done mainly by supporting the work of Delhi Bible Institute ('DBI'); encouraging financial support of its work through the distribution of news and other DBI resources; and organising visits to the UK by the National Director. DBI has been based at Bible Bhavan since 1966, and currently operates from 13 centres in 12 states in India.

Partners in Service is DBI's UK representative charity and uses the name 'DBI Partners UK'.

In addition to the Trust's principal object of supporting DBI, its other objects are to relieve those in need in developing countries and deprived areas, and to support any other charitable objects as the Trustees shall from time to time determine.

Care is taken by the Trust when deciding how to fulfil its objects and carry out its duties and responsibilities, and to ensure that DBI, and any other work the Trust supports, are able and willing to use the funds for the benefit of the public or identifiable sections of the public and in keeping with the Trust's objects.

In selecting what and whom to support during the year, the Trustees and the Trust have considered the Charity Commission's Guidance on public benefit and in particular the Commission's specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion and its guidance on the prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit.

The Trust continues to meet its legal requirements in a variety of ways, including supporting DBI.

Grant making policy

The majority of activities undertaken by the Trust are in support of the work of DBI.

The Trust does occasionally channel funding to other charitable causes, in accordance with its objects and responsibilities as set out above.

Achievement and performance

We are so grateful for the ongoing generous support of so many - particularly this year in response to the appeals we ran during the year. The funds we raised were 70% higher than funds raised in the previous financial year. Apart from the ongoing support for the work of DBI, the Trust raised £255,000 to help purchase new ashrams. In addition, the Trust launched an appeal in the autumn called Loving the Poorest 2024 which raised funds to provide warm clothes and hot food during the colder winter months.

This year has been one of celebration - giving thanks for past objectives met and the launching of new vision. We were able to send a team of three to India to take part in the formal signing off of the achievement of the last 20 years of vision (Vision 2025), and the launch of the vision for the next 20 years (Vision 2045). DBI also celebrated its 70th anniversary both in India, and here in the UK during the National Director's visit in early 2025.

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The trustees held their usual annual meeting on 21st March 2025 which DBI's National Director attended in person.

Financial review

The generosity of individuals, churches, and trusts has again been evident during the course of the year. Total income received was £510,278; expenditure amounted to £392,049. As indicated above, donations have significantly increased this year over and above our normal range, partly due to increased activity around the 70th anniversary celebrations/Vision 2025/Vision 2045, and partly as a result of the extra employee input.

Net movement in funds was £118,229, leaving total funds carried forward £392,489 (£17,725 unrestricted, £374,764 restricted funds).

General gifts (including interest and gift aid) totalled £166,678 (see Note 5). As with all unspecified gifts received by the Trust, these gifts were allocated to the DBI (General) Fund.

In addition to these general gifts, specific donations included gifts for social projects, a healing/retreat centre, pastoral relief, and local centres. The total donated to these projects was £343,307 (including gift aid). Overall giving across all restricted funds (including interest and gift aid) was £509,985 compared with the previous year's income of £299,889.

Such generosity enabled Trustees to transfer a total of £347,691 to DBI for their various projects (up by a little over £18,000 from the previous year) and spend £44,358 in promoting the work of DBI and running the Charity (up by over £9,000 from the previous year). See Notes 5 and 12.

Trustees give thanks for the commitment of all those who have supported Partners in Service over the past year, whether financially, through prayer, or by donating their time. Both the DBI team in North India and those at Partners in Service have been much encouraged by the increased activity and engagement of supporters over the past year.

Sometimes ear-marked gifts are not requested for onward transfer during the year in which the gift is made, but Trustees do ensure that any such money required in the following year is forwarded without delay. At the same time, it is incumbent upon the Trust to ensure that it holds enough restricted funds to cover those ongoing costs to which the Trust is committed.

The Trust does not own property.

The Trust continues to be confident of meeting its obligations into the future.

Plans for Future Periods

Looking ahead, we hope to continue to support DBI in a similar way: raising funds for areas most needed (for example we have already launched LTP25 – a repeat of last year's appeal for warm clothing and hot food), and continue to raise funds for particular ashrams.

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Reserves policy

The Trust's Reserves Policy is regularly reviewed as a matter of good practice.

The Trust aims to have sufficient funds from year to year to facilitate the work of Delhi Bible Institute and in particular, to provide against fluctuations in DBI's income and expenditure needs.

In pursuance of this aim, the Trust continues to be transparent with DBI regarding its funds. The Trust aims to provide agreed quarterly reporting to the National Director of DBI and endeavours to hold reserves, in its restricted DBI (General) Fund, which are at least equivalent to the Trust's general annual giving to DBI needs. This year the Trust advised DBI that it could expect its general giving, via six bi-monthly payments from its DBI (General) Fund, to total £180,000. This figure would have equated to the Trust's desired reserves for this year. In the event, DBI requested an additional £102,792 from the Trust's DBI (General) Fund (see Note 5). The Trust's reserves at the year-end comprised the balances of its Unrestricted Fund and the DBI (General) Fund totalling £136,359. This level of reserves falls short of the Trust's Reserves Policy which will be reviewed by the Trustees no later than at their next annual meeting.

The Trust does not expect any of its other sub-funds to accumulate more than modest reserves and would anticipate that these will normally have year end balances of less than £10,000. Should sub-funds have more sizeable amounts, the Trust will discuss with DBI how the money accumulated in the sub-funds can be used, in line with the purpose of the sub-fund.

The intention of the Trustees is that this Policy should not place any maximum on the level of funds which can properly be held by the Trust, at any one time, to be used for the furtherance of the work of DBI. For avoidance of doubt this Policy will not prevent the Trust from forwarding to DBI any funds held by the Trust for the furtherance of DBI's work which are requested by DBI. The nature and timing of projects supported in India means that from time to time reserves may fall below the one year target.

Risk management

The Trustees have examined the major organisational risks which the Trust faces. The Trustees are confident that these risks are relatively minimal given the nature of its work, the donations made to it and the modest costs that it incurs in respect of its employees.

Structure, governance, and management

Partners in Service is a UK registered charity (number 327424), and is constituted under a trust deed dated 2nd March 1987, as amended by a supplemental deed dated 12th August 1996. The Trust has in recent years adopted a working name: 'DBI Partners UK', and this is registered as such at the Charity Commission.

Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees and serve for an indefinite period. They meet at least annually.

During the year, Rev David Johnston served as Chair of Trustees until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting held on 21st March 2025. He had served the Charity in this capacity since 10th April 2010. We are very grateful for his leadership and commitment throughout his term of office. Immediately following the AGM, Rev Philip Hair, who had previously served as Vice Chair, was appointed as Chair of Trustees with effect from 21st March 2025. The role of Vice Chair is currently under review.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
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Those Trustees who have served during the year and up to the date the report was approved are as follows:

Rev David Johnston (Chair until 21/3/25)
Rev Philip Hair (Vice Chair until 21/3/25 and then Chair)
Mr Stephen Dalling (Secretary)
Mr Richard Henry (Treasurer)
Rev Alastair Dunlop
Rev Prebendary Ian Lewis
Rev Howard Mason
Mrs Dorothy Pavey
Dr Sally Raheja
Rev Michael Smailes

In addition, since March 2019 and in accordance with the Charity's constitution, an Executive Committee has operated to progress appropriate Trust business outside of full meetings of the Trustees. Such business is determined by a committee of at least three Trustees.

New Trustees are selected on the basis of their experience, skills, and knowledge of Christian work in India and across the world.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to 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.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Rev Philip Hair
Chair of Trustees
Date:



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
PARTNERS IN SERVICE**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2025 which are set out on pages 7 to 17.

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").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination that give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept 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 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.



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Date 21 January 2026

PARTNERS IN SERVICE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024		
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:						
Donations & Legacies	503,618	-	503,618	295,616	10	
Investments & Bank	6,367	6,367		4,380	11	
TOTAL	510,278	6,660	503,618	299,996		
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Charitable activities	392,049	-	392,049	263,897	12	
TOTAL	392,049	-	392,049	263,897		
NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS	-	-	-	-		
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	117,936	107	118,229	36,099		
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:						
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	256,828	17,325	274,260	238,161		
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	374,764	17,432	392,489	274,260		

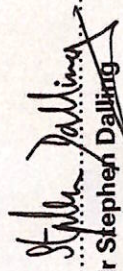
**PARTNERS IN SERVICE
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025**

	Note	At 31 ST March 2025 £	At 31 ST March 2024 £
FIXED ASSETS:			
Investments	2	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors	3	6,512	3,531
Cash at bank and in hand		388,377	272,216
		<u>394,889</u>	<u>275,747</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	(2,400)	(1,487)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>392,489</u>	<u>274,260</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>392,489</u>	<u>274,260</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:			
Restricted Income Funds	5	374,764	256,828
Unrestricted Funds		17,725	17,432
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		<u>392,489</u>	<u>274,260</u>

The notes on pages 11 -17 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts were approved by the board of trustees on 19/01/26
and signed on its behalf by:

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Chair of Trustees


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Secretary, Trustee

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PARTNERS IN SERVICE
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from the operating activities:			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	1	109,501	32,061
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		6,660	4,380
Net (purchases)/proceeds of property, plant and equipment		-	-
(Purchase of investments)/proceeds from sale of investments		-	-
		_____	_____
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		6,660	4,380
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Repayments of borrowing		-	-
Receipt of new borrowing		-	-
		_____	_____
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		-	-
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		116,161	36,441
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		272,216	235,775
		_____	_____
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	2	388,377	272,216
		_____	_____

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	118,229	36,099
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	-	-
Loss/(profit) on sale of fixed assets	-	-
(Gains)/losses on investments	-	-
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(6,660)	(4,380)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(2,981)	(245)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	913	587
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Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	109,501	32,061
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2. ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash in hand	388,377	272,216
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Total cash and cash equivalents	388,377	272,216
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PARTNERS IN SERVICE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to the accounts. The financial statements have been prepared with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (second edition – October 2019) (effective 1st January 2019) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The financial statements have also been prepared with the Charities Act 2011.

Partners in Service meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

b) Fixed Asset investments

Investments are included at current market value at the balance sheet date. Any gain or loss on revaluation is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. The Charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial investments.

c) Debtors

The gift aid debtor is recognised and included as income in the financial year when there is a valid declaration from the donor, and the claim was made by the date these accounts were approved.

d) Cash at bank

Cash at bank includes short term savings accounts with a maturity of not more than 12 months from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

e) Creditors

Creditors are recognised when 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.

f) Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the Charity is legally entitled to the income, receipt is probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donations are recognised when received by or on behalf of the Charity. Gift aid receivable is included in income in the financial year when there is a valid declaration from the donor, and the claim was made by the date these accounts were approved. Any gift aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

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YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

g) Expenditure
 Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities are costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.

h) The Funds of the Charity

Funds held by the Charity are:

Unrestricted funds

These are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application within the charitable objects for the general purposes of the Charity.

Restricted income funds

These are funds which can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when the funds are raised for particular purposes or when the trustees resolve to earmark gifts that would otherwise be allocated to the DBI (General) Fund to another, particular DBI sub-fund.

i) Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and 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.

j) Going concern

The Trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Investments

There are currently none.

3. DEBTORS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accrued Income: Gift aid tax refunds	3,788	2,890
Prepayments	2,724	641
	6,512	3,531

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4. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals	2,400	1,487
	2,400	1,487

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Fund Balances B/Forward	Income	Expenditure	Fund Balances C/Forward
	£	£	£	£
DBI (General)	234,748	166,678	282,792	118,634
DBI (raising funds for a Healing/Retreat Centre)	-	625	-	625
DBI (Hindi Materials – supporting translation into Indian languages)	440	-	(300)	740
DBI (New Centres Running Costs)	10,000	-	10,000	-
DBI (Pastoral Relief – supporting staff at times of need)	10,000	64,000	-	74,000
DBI (Social Projects – reaching those in need, via skills training, provision of food, warm clothing, basic medical care)	856	15,185	6,347	9,694
DBI (Staff Retreat – the annual DBI staff retreat)	210	-	210	-
DBI (Chandigarh – raising funds for the ashram)	574	375	-	949
DBI (Hyderabad – raising funds for the ashram)	-	262,000	93,000	169,000
DBI (Patna – raising funds for the ashram)	-	1,122	-	1,122
	256,828	509,985	392,049	374,764
TOTALS				

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5. RESTRICTED FUNDS CONTINUED

ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	-	-
Current Assets	17,725	377,164	394,889
Creditors: Due within one year	-	(2,400)	(2,400)
Net Assets	17,725	374,764	392,489

All the restricted funds are donated or raised from an appeal for Delhi Bible Institute (DBI). The individual restricted funds are either for a particular geographical area or a specific purpose.

5a. RESTRICTED FUNDS - Previous Year

	Fund Balances B/Forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund Balances C/Forward £
DBI (General)	189,996	214,449	169,697	234,748
DBI (Hindi Materials)	-	440	-	440
DBI (New Centres Running Costs)	-	11,000	1,000	10,000
DBI (Pastoral Relief)	-	10,000	-	10,000
DBI (Social Projects)	431	3,625	3,200	856
DBI (Staff Retreat)	210	-	-	210
DBI (Chandauli)	10,000	-	10,000	-
DBI (Chandigarh)	199	375	-	574
DBI (Guwahati)	-	20,000	20,000	-
DBI (Jaipur)	10,000	-	10,000	-
DBI (Jammu)	-	20,000	20,000	-
DBI (Lucknow)	10,000	-	10,000	-
DBI (Patna)	-	20,000	20,000	-
TOTALS	220,836	299,889	263,897	256,828

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5a. RESTRICTED FUNDS CONTINUED - Previous Year

ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	-	-
Current Assets	17,432	258,315	275,747
Creditors: Due within one year	-	(1,487)	(1,487)
Net Assets	17,432	256,828	274,260

6. CHARITABLE GIVING

During the year, the Trust distributed gifts totalling £347,691 (2024 - £229,200) all to Delhi Bible Institute.

7. ADMIN COSTS: ADMINISTRATOR AND SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The costs of an Administrator and a Support Development Officer for the Trust totalled £31,929 (2024 – total £13,291; for Administrator plus for the few weeks of the year for which the SDO – who was hired in March 2024 - was employed). Both are provided by St Bartholomew PCC, Bath and payments are made direct to them.

8. ACCOUNTANCY/INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

The Charity's independent examination in the year, which included an element for preparation of the year's accounts, was £2,490, of which £2,400 was accrued at the year end.

9. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES/RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity's insurance includes trustee indemnity insurance.

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Trust was paid or is payable for the year to any Trustee or to any other person or persons known to be connected to any of the Trustees.

Trustee expenses relating to the annual meeting for the year ended 31 March 2025 amounted to £1,752 (£1,072 room hire, £680 travel expenses paid to four trustees). In addition, £869 was paid to one trustee for travel expenses to visit Delhi during the year.

Donations of £64,200 were received from two related charities during the year each with one mutual trustee. There were no conditions attached to these donations and there were no other related party transactions during the year.

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	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Note	EXPENDITURE ON:
96	96	96	-	-	Promotion expenses – Vision Trip 2024
4,504	4,504	4,504	-	-	Travel costs to visit DBI
209	209	209	-	-	Governance costs: Insurance
1,752	1,752	1,752	-	9	Governance costs: Trustee meeting costs
2,490	2,490	2,490	-	8	Governance costs: Accty and Ind Examination
-	-	-	-	-	Sundry Expenses
392,049	392,049	392,049	-	-	
392,049	392,049	-	-	-	
96	10,910	10,910	-	-	
209	209	209	-	-	
5,610	5,610	5,610	-	-	
900	900	900	-	-	
98	98	98	-	-	
263,897	263,897	-	-	-	
263,897	263,897	-	-	-	
Total Funds 2024	10,910	10,910	-	-	

12 Charitable activities (continued)

EXPENDITURE ON:

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**Delhi Bible Institute's
UK representative charity
(Registered no 327424)**

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

CHARITY NAME: Partners in Service

WORKING NAME: DBI Partners UK

CHARITY REGISTERED NUMBER: 327424

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS: 1 King Edward Road
Bath
BA2 3PB

EMAIL ADDRESS: admin@dbipartnersuk.org.uk

WEBSITE: www.partnersinservice.org.uk

CURRENT TRUSTEES: Rev David Johnston (Chairman)
Rev Philip Hair (Vice Chairman)
Mr Stephen Dalling (Secretary)
Mr Richard Henry (Treasurer)
Rev Alastair Dunlop
Rev Prebendary Ian Lewis
Rev Howard Mason
Mrs Dorothy Pavey
Dr Sally Raheja
Rev Michael Smailes

BANKERS: CAF Bank Ltd
25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
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Kent
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER: Mrs S Truran FCCA FCA
Streets Bush Limited
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PARTNERS IN SERVICE
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of Partners in Service ('the Charity'/'the Trust') for the year ended 31st March 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 9 and 10 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011, the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2019) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Objectives and activities

The principal object of the Charity is to promote the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ through actions which are prompted by the love and example of His life. This is done mainly by supporting the work of Delhi Bible Institute ("DBI"); encouraging financial support of its work through the distribution of news and other DBI resources; and organising visits to the UK by the National Director. DBI has been based at Bible Bhavan since 1966, and currently operates from 12 centres in 11 states in India.

Partners in Service is DBI's UK representative charity and uses the name 'DBI Partners UK'.

In addition to the Trust's principal object of supporting DBI, its other objects are to relieve those in need in developing countries and deprived areas, and to support any other charitable objects as the Trustees shall from time to time determine.

Care is taken by the Trust when deciding how to fulfil its objects and carry out its duties and responsibilities, and to ensure that DBI, and any other work the Trust supports, are able and willing to use the funds for the benefit of the public or identifiable sections of the public and in keeping with the Trust's objects.

In selecting what and whom to support during the year, the Trustees and the Trust have considered the Charity Commission's Guidance on public benefit and in particular the Commission's specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion and its guidance on the prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit.

The Trust continues to meet its legal requirements in a variety of ways, including supporting DBI.

Grant making policy

The majority of activities undertaken by the Trust are in support of the work of DBI.

The Trust does occasionally channel funding to other charitable causes, in accordance with its objects and responsibilities as set out above.

Achievement and performance

Once again, there has been great prayerful generosity offered by individuals, churches, and trusts during the course of the last year. Such response inspires both humility and hope, not only in those receiving the benefits of such generous giving, but also in all those involved in the Trust, and for this we all give thanks.

Trustees were delighted to appoint Andrew Dawes as (part-time) Support Development Officer, commencing 11th March 2024.

Trustees held their usual annual meeting on 8th March 2024. DBI's National Director attended in person.

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Financial review

The generosity of individuals, churches, and trusts has again been evident during the course of the year. General gifts (including interest and gift aid) totalled £214,409 (see Note 5). As with all unspecified gifts received by the Trust, these gifts were allocated to the DBI (General) Fund.

In addition to these general gifts, specific donations included gifts for social projects, Hindi materials, pastoral relief and local centres. The total donated to these projects was £85,440 (including gift aid). Overall giving across all restricted funds (including interest and gift aid) was £299,889 compared with the previous year's income of £161,161.

Such generosity enabled Trustees to transfer a total of £263,897 to DBI for their various projects (see Note 5).

Trustees give thanks for the commitment of all those who have supported Partners in Service over the past year, whether financially, through prayer, or by donating their time.

Sometimes ear-marked gifts are not requested for onward transfer during the year in which the gift is made, but Trustees do ensure that any such money required in the following year is forwarded without delay. At the same time, it is incumbent upon the Trust to ensure that it holds enough restricted funds to cover those ongoing costs to which the Trust is committed.

The Trust does not own property.

The Trust continues to be confident of meeting its obligations into the future.

Reserves policy

The Trust's Reserves Policy is regularly reviewed as a matter of good practice.

The Trust aims to have sufficient funds from year to year to facilitate the work of Delhi Bible Institute and in particular, to provide against fluctuations in DBI's income and expenditure needs.

In pursuance of this aim the Trust continues to be transparent with DBI regarding its funds. The Trust aims to provide agreed quarterly reporting to the National Director of DBI and endeavours to hold reserves, in its restricted DBI (General) Fund, which are at least equivalent to the Trust's general annual giving to DBI needs.

The Trust does not expect any of its other sub-funds to accumulate more than modest reserves and would anticipate that these will normally have year end balances of less than £10,000. Should sub-funds have more sizeable amounts, the Trust will discuss with DBI how the money accumulated in the sub-funds can be used, in line with the purpose of the sub-fund.

The intention of the Trustees is that this Policy should not place any maximum on the level of funds which can properly be held by the Trust, at any one time, to be used for the furtherance of the work of DBI. For avoidance of doubt this Policy will not prevent the Trust from forwarding to DBI any funds held by the Trust for the furtherance of DBI's work which are requested by DBI. The nature and timing of projects supported in India means that from time to time reserves may fall below the one year target.

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Risk management

The Trustees have examined the major organisational risks which the Trust faces. The Trustees are confident that these risks are relatively minimal given the nature of its work, the donations made to it and the modest costs that it incurs in respect of its employees.

Structure, governance, and management

Partners in Service is a UK registered charity (number 327424), and is constituted under a trust deed dated 2nd March 1987, as amended by a supplemental deed dated 12th August 1996. The Trust has in recent years adopted a working name: 'DBI Partners UK', and this is registered as such at the Charity Commission.

Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees and serve for an indefinite period. They meet at least annually. Those Trustees who have served during the year and up to the date the report was approved are as follows:

Rev David Johnston (Chairman)
Rev Philip Hair (Vice Chairman)
Mr Stephen Dalling (Secretary)
Mr Richard Henry (Treasurer)
Rev Alastair Dunlop
Rev Prebendary Ian Lewis
Rev Howard Mason
Mrs Dorothy Pavey
Dr Sally Raheja
Rev Michael Smailes

In addition, since March 2019 and in accordance with the Charity's constitution, an Executive Committee has operated to progress appropriate Trust business outside of full meetings of the Trustees. Such business is determined by a committee of at least three Trustees.

New Trustees are selected on the basis of their experience, skills, and knowledge of Christian work in India and across the world.

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Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to 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.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Rev David Johnston
Chair of Trustees

Date: 9/12/2024

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9/12/24

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
PARTNERS IN SERVICE**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2024 which are set out on pages 7 to 15.

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").

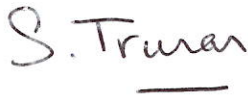
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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 that give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept 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 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.


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Mrs S Truran FCCA FCA
Streets Bush Limited
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Date 7 January 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
Donations & Legacies	11	-	295,616	295,616	-	159,700	159,700
Investments & Bank	12	107	4,273	4,380	427	1,461	1,888
TOTAL		107	299,889	299,996	427	161,161	161,588
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities	13	-	263,897	263,897	-	213,168	213,168
TOTAL		-	263,897	263,897	-	213,168	213,168
NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS	9	-	-	-	282	-	282
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		107	35,992	36,099	709	(52,007)	(51,298)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		17,325	220,836	238,161	16,616	272,843	289,459
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		17,432	256,828	274,260	17,325	220,836	238,161

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024

	Note	£	At 31 ST March 2024 £	£	At 31 ST March 2023 £
FIXED ASSETS:					
Investments	2		-		-
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Debtors	3	3,531		3,286	
Cash at bank and in hand		272,216		235,775	
		<u>275,747</u>		<u>239,061</u>	
LIABILITIES:					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	(1,487)		(900)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>274,260</u>		<u>238,161</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>274,260</u>		<u>238,161</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:					
Restricted Income Funds	5		256,828		220,836
Unrestricted Funds			17,432		17,325
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS			<u>274,260</u>		<u>238,161</u>

The notes on pages 9 -15 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts were approved by the board of trustees on
and signed on its behalf by:

9th December 2024

9/12/24

Rev David Johnston
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Rev David Johnston
Chair of Trustees

Stephen Dalling
.....
Mr Stephen Dalling
Secretary, Trustees

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PARTNERS IN SERVICE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to the accounts. The financial statements have been prepared with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (second edition – October 2019) (effective 1st January 2019) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). *The financial statements have also been prepared with the Charities Act 2011.*

Partners in Service meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

b) Fixed Asset investments

Investments are included at current market value at the balance sheet date. Any gain or loss on revaluation is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. The Charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial investments.

c) Debtors

The gift aid debtor is recognised and included as income in the financial year when there is a valid declaration from the donor, and the claim was made by the date these accounts were approved.

d) Cash at bank

Cash at bank includes 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.

e) Creditors

Creditors are recognised when 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.

f) Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the Charity is legally entitled to the income, receipt is probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donations are recognised when received by or on behalf of the Charity. Gift aid receivable is included in income in the financial year when there is a valid declaration from the donor, and the claim was made by the date these accounts were approved. Any gift aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

g) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities are costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.

h) The Funds of the Charity

Funds held by the Charity are:

Unrestricted funds

These are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application within the charitable objects for the general purposes of the Charity.

Restricted income funds

These are funds which can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when the funds are raised for particular purposes or when the trustees resolve to earmark gifts that would otherwise be allocated to the DBI (General) Fund to another, particular DBI sub-fund.

i) Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and 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.

j) Going concern

The Trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Investments

There are currently none.

3. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accrued Income: Gift aid tax refunds	2,890	3,286
Prepayments	641	-
	<u>3,531</u>	<u>3,286</u>

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4. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	1,487	900
Other Creditors: Gifts committed but not yet paid	-	-
	1,487	900
	1,487	900

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Fund Balances B/Forward	Income	Expenditure	Fund Balances C/Forward
	£	£	£	£
DBI (General)	189,996	214,449	169,697	234,748
DBI (Hindi Materials)	-	440	-	440
DBI (Pastoral Relief)	-	10,000	-	10,000
DBI (Social Projects)	431	3,625	3,200	856
DBI (Staff Retreat)	210	-	-	210
DBI (New Centres Running Costs)	-	11,000	1,000	10,000
DBI (Chandauli)	10,000	-	10,000	-
DBI (Chandigarh)	199	375	-	574
DBI (Guwahati)	-	20,000	20,000	-
DBI (Jaipur)	10,000	-	10,000	-
DBI (Jammu)	-	20,000	20,000	-
DBI (Lucknow)	10,000	-	10,000	-
DBI (Patna)	-	20,000	20,000	-
	TOTALS	299,889	263,897	256,828
	220,836	299,889	263,897	256,828

ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	-	-
Current Assets	17,432	258,315	275,747
Creditors: Due within one year	-	(1,487)	(1,487)
Net Assets	17,432	256,828	274,260
	17,432	256,828	274,260

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5. RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

All the restricted funds are donated or raised from an appeal for Delhi Bible Institute (DBI). The individual restricted funds are either for a particular geographical area or a specific purpose.

5a. RESTRICTED FUNDS - Previous Year

	Fund Balances B/Forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund Balances C/Forward £
DBI (General)	247,725	123,498	(181,227)	189,996
DBI (Social Projects)	2,547	5,307	(7,423)	431
DBI (Hindi Materials)	2,235	-	(2,235)	-
DBI (Staff Retreat)	210	-	-	210
DBI (Jaipur)	5,000	10,000	(5,000)	10,000
DBI (Lucknow)	5,000	10,000	(5,000)	10,000
DBI (Chandauli)	10,000	10,000	(10,000)	10,000
DBI (Chandigarh)	125	2,356	(2,282)	199
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TOTALS	272,842	161,161	213,167	220,836
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ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	-	-
Current Assets	18,225	220,836	239,061
Creditors: Due within one year	(900)		(900)
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Net Assets	17,325	220,836	238,161

6. CHARITABLE GIVING

During the year, the Trust distributed gifts totalling £229,200 (2023 - £195,442) all to Delhi Bible Institute.

7. ADMIN COSTS: ADMINISTRATOR AND SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The costs of an administrator for the Trust totalled £12,704 (2023 - £12,636). The administrator is provided by St Bartholomew PCC, Bath and payments are made direct to them.

In March 2024 the Trustees appointed a Support Development Officer (part-time for 19 hours a week). He is also provided by St Bartholomew PCC, Bath with payments made direct to them. The costs of this position for the Trust totalled £587 (2023 - £0).

8. ACCOUNTANCY/INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

£900 was accrued for the Charity's independent examination in the year which included an element for preparation of the year's accounts.

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9. NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance brought forward	-	15,705
Gain on revaluation of investments	-	282
Disposal	-	(15,987)
	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-

10. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES/RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity's insurance includes trustee indemnity insurance.

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Trust was paid or is payable for the year to any Trustee or to any other person or persons known to be connected to any of the Trustees.

Trustee expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2024 amounted to £5,610 which included £2,685 for Trustees' travel expenses to meetings and cost of hire of the conference room plus £2,925 for three trustees to meet with the DBI team.

Two partners of Trustees were also invited to meet with the DBI team during the year, alongside their spouses, and their travel expenses of £1,042 were also paid for by the Charity.

There were no related party transactions during the year.

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
11. INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
Donations & Legacies							
Individual Gifts		-	39,624	39,624	-	33,112	33,112
Church Gifts		-	32,953	32,953	-	26,948	26,948
Grants from Trusts		-	171,700	171,700	-	47,450	47,450
Other (company and anon giving)		-	43,870	43,870	-	43,550	43,550
Gift Aid tax refunds		-	7,469	7,469	-	6,640	6,640
Legacies		-	-	-	-	2,000	2,000
			295,616	295,616		159,700	159,700
12. Investments							
Dividends – IFSL CAF UK Equity Fund B Income (Formerly called FP CAF UK Equity Fund B Income)		-	-	-	417	-	417
Bank Interest		107	4,273	4,380	10	1,461	1,471
			4,273	4,380	427	1,461	1,888
13. EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities							
Charitable Giving	6	-	229,200	229,200	-	195,442	195,442
Admin costs: Salaries	7	-	13,291	13,291	-	12,636	12,636
Admin costs: Office Equipment		-	2,738	2,738	-	676	676
Admin costs: Print, Post & Stationery		-	52	52	-	64	64
Admin costs: Website Development		-	672	672	-	300	300
Admin costs: Bank charges		-	217	217	-	203	203

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities (continued)							
Promotion expenses – Vision Trip 2024		-	10,910	10,910	-	-	-
Governance costs: Insurance		-	209	209	-	204	204
Governance costs: Trustee meeting costs	10	-	5,610	5,610	-	2,507	2,507
Governance costs: Accty and Ind Examination	8	-	900	900	-	911	911
Sundry Expenses		-	98	98	-	225	225
		-	263,897	263,897	-	213,168	213,168

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

CHARITY NAME: Partners in Service

WORKING NAME: DBI Partners UK

CHARITY REGISTERED NUMBER: 327424

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS: 1 King Edward Road
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PARTNERS IN SERVICE
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

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After the restrictions of recent years, Trustees were delighted to be able to meet in person once again. Two such meetings were held in the course of the year: on 10th June 2022 Trustees took the opportunity to re-establish relationships as well as deal with Trust business, and at their meeting on 3rd March 2023 they were able to resume a normal pattern of business. DBI's National Director attended both meetings in person.

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Financial review

The generosity of individuals, churches, and trusts has again been evident during the course of the year. General gifts (including relevantly apportioned interest and tax recoveries) totalled £123,498 (see Note 5). As with all unspecified gifts received by the Trust, these gifts were allocated to the DBI (General) Fund.

In addition to these general gifts, specific donations included gifts for social projects, and local centres. The total donated to these projects was £37,663 (including apportioned interest and tax recoveries). Overall giving across all restricted funds was £161,161 compared with the previous year's income of £348,456.

Such generosity enabled Trustees to transfer a total of £213,168 to DBI for their various projects.

Trustees give thanks for the commitment of all those who have supported Partners in Service over the past year, whether financially, through prayer, or by donating their time.

Sometimes ear-marked gifts are not requested for onward transfer during the year in which the gift is made, but Trustees do ensure that any such money required in the following year is forwarded without delay. At the same time, it is incumbent upon the Trust to ensure that it holds enough restricted funds to cover those ongoing costs to which the Trust is committed.

The Trust does not own property.

This last year did not see the previous outpouring of responses to Covid-19 related appeals, but giving was nevertheless consistent with the year on year increases of pre-pandemic levels. As a consequence, the Trust continues to be confident of meeting its obligations into the future.

Reserves policy

The Trust's Reserves Policy is regularly reviewed as a matter of good practice.

The Trust aims to have sufficient funds from year to year to facilitate the work of Delhi Bible Institute and in particular, to provide against fluctuations in DBI's income and expenditure needs.

In pursuance of this aim the Trust continues to be transparent with DBI regarding its funds. The Trust aims to provide agreed quarterly reporting to the National Director of DBI and endeavours to hold reserves, in its restricted DBI (General) Fund, which are at least equivalent to the Trust's general annual giving to DBI needs.

The Trust does not expect any of its other sub-funds to accumulate more than modest reserves and would anticipate that these will normally have year end balances of less than £10,000. Should sub-funds have more sizeable amounts, the Trust will discuss with DBI how the money accumulated in the sub-funds can be used, in line with the purpose of the sub-fund.

The intention of the Trustees is that this Policy should not place any maximum on the level of funds which can properly be held by the Trust, at any one time, to be used for the furtherance of the work of DBI. For avoidance of doubt this Policy will not prevent the Trust from forwarding to DBI any funds held by the Trust for the furtherance of DBI's work which are requested by DBI. The nature and timing of projects supported in India means that from time to time reserves may fall below the one year target.

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Risk management

The Trustees have examined the major organisational risks which the Trust faces. The Trustees are confident that these risks are relatively minimal given the nature of its work, the donations made to it and the modest costs that it incurs in respect of its Administrator.

Structure, Governance and Management

Partners in Service is a UK registered charity (number 327424), and is constituted under a trust deed dated 2nd March 1987, as amended by a supplemental deed dated 12th August 1996. The Trust has in recent years adopted a working name: 'DBI Partners UK', and this is registered as such at the Charity Commission.

Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees and serve for an indefinite period. They meet at least annually. Those Trustees who have served during the year and up to the date the report was approved are as follows:

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New Trustees are selected on the basis of their experience, skills and knowledge of Christian work in India and across the world.

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Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to 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.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Rev David Johnston
Chair of Trustees

Date: 18th December 2023

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
PARTNERS IN SERVICE**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2023 which are set out on pages 7 to 15.

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").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 2011 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 that give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept 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 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.



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Date 8th January 2024

PARTNERS IN SERVICE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
Donations & Legacies	11	-	159,700	159,700	-	348,278	348,278
Investments	12	427	1,461	1,888	223	178	401
TOTAL		427	161,161	161,588	223	348,456	348,679
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities	13	-	213,168	213,168	-	369,006	369,006
TOTAL		-	213,168	213,168	-	369,006	369,006
NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS	9	282	-	282	941	-	941
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		709	(52,007)	(51,298)	1,164	(20,550)	(19,386)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		16,616	272,843	289,459	15,452	293,393	308,845
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		17,325	220,836	238,161	16,616	272,843	289,459

PARTNERS IN SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET

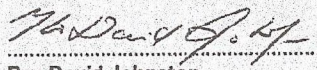
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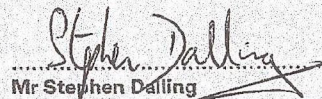
	Note	At 31 ST March 2023	At 31 ST March 2022
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS:			
Investments	2	-	15,705
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors	3	3,286	2,761
Cash at bank and in hand		235,775	291,543
		<u>239,061</u>	<u>294,304</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	(900)	(20,550)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		238,161	273,254
TOTAL NET ASSETS		238,161	289,459
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:			
Restricted Income Funds	5	220,836	272,843
Unrestricted Funds		17,325	16,616
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		238,161	289,459

The notes on pages 9 -15 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts were approved by the board of trustees on
and signed on its behalf by:

18th December 2023


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Rev David Johnston
Chair of Trustees


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Mr Stephen Dalling
Secretary, Trustees

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to the accounts. The financial statements have been prepared with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (second edition – October 2019) (effective 1st January 2019) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The financial statements have also been prepared with the Charities Act 2011.

Partners in Service meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

b) Fixed Asset investments

Investments are included at current market value at the balance sheet date. Any gain or loss on revaluation is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. The Charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial investments.

c) Debtors

The gift aid debtor is recognised and included as income when there is a valid declaration from the donor.

d) Cash at bank

Cash at bank includes 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.

e) Creditors

Creditors are recognised when 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.

f) Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the Charity is legally entitled to the income, receipt is probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donations are recognised when received by or on behalf of the Charity. Gift aid tax refunds are recognised on a receivable basis. Gift aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any gift aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

g) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities are costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.

h) The Funds of the Charity

Funds held by the Charity are:

Unrestricted Funds

These are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application within the charitable objects for the general purposes of the Charity.

Restricted Income Funds

These are funds which can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when the funds are raised for particular purposes.

i) Financial Instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and 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.

j) Going concern

The Trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Investments

	2023	2022
	£	£
IFSL CAF UK Equity Fund B Income (Formerly called FP CAF UK Equity Fund B Income)	-	15,705
	-	15,705
	-	15,705

3. DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accrued Income: Gift aid tax refunds	3,286	2,761
	3,286	2,761
	3,286	2,761

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4. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	900	550
Other Creditors: Gifts committed but not yet paid	-	20,000
	900	20,550

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Fund Balances B/Forward	Income	Expenditure	Fund Balances C/Forward
	£	£	£	£
DBI (General)	247,725	123,498	(181,227)	189,996
DBI (Social Projects)	2,547	5,307	(7,423)	431
DBI (Hindi Materials)	2,235	-	(2,235)	-
DBI (Staff Retreat)	210	-	-	210
DBI (Chandauli)	10,000	10,000	(10,000)	10,000
DBI (Chandigarh)	125	2,356	(2,282)	199
DBI (Jaipur)	5,000	10,000	(5,000)	10,000
DBI (Lucknow)	5,000	10,000	(5,000)	10,000
TOTALS	272,842	161,161	213,167	220,836

ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	-	-
Current Assets	220,836	18,225	239,061
Creditors: Due within one year	-	(900)	(900)
Net Assets	220,836	17,325	238,161

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5. RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

All the restricted funds are donated or raised from an appeal for Delhi Bible Institute (DBI). The individual restricted funds are either for a particular geographical area or a specific purpose.

5a. RESTRICTED FUNDS - Previous Year

	Fund Balances B/Forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund Balances C/Forward £
DBI (General)	181,155	178,043	(111,473)	247,725
DBI (Social Projects)	184	4,281	(4,390)	75
DBI (New Centres Cap Exp)	16,258	-	(16,258)	-
DBI (Hindi Materials)	3,112	2,485	(3,362)	2,235
DBI (Staff Retreat)	421	700	(911)	210
DBI (Jaipur)	13,392	5,000	(13,392)	5,000
DBI (Lucknow)	-	5,000	-	5,000
DBI (Ranchi)	2,501	-	(2,501)	-
DBI (Chandauli)	18,005	10,000	(18,005)	10,000
DBI (Chandigarh)	2,414	331	(2,620)	125
DBI (Bhopal)	6,591	-	(6,591)	-
DBI (Raipur)	5,233	-	(5,233)	-
DBI (Pandemic Response)	44,127	31,778	(75,905)	-
DBI (Oxygen Concentrators)	-	110,838	(108,365)	2,473
TOTALS	293,393	348,456	(369,006)	272,843

ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	15,705	15,705
Current Assets	293,393	911	294,304
Creditors: Due within one year	(20,550)	-	(20,550)
Net Assets	272,843	16,616	289,459

6. CHARITABLE GIVING

During the year, the Trust distributed gifts totalling £195,442 (2022 - £352,662) all to Delhi Bible Institute.

7. ADMIN COSTS: ADMINISTRATOR

The costs of an administrator for the Trust totalled £12,636 (2022 - £12,485). The administrator is provided by St Bartholomew PCC, Bath and payments are made direct to them.

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8. ACCOUNTANCY/INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

£911 was paid for the Charity's independent examination in the year which included an element for preparation of the year's accounts.

9. NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Balance brought forward	15,705	14,764
Gain on revaluation of investments	282	941
Disposal	(15,987)	-
	-	15,705
Balance carried forward	-	15,705

10. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES/RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity's insurance includes trustee indemnity insurance.

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Trust was paid or is payable for the year to any Trustee or to any other person or persons known to be connected to any of the Trustees.

Trustee expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2023 amounted to £1,556 for Trustees' travel expenses incurred for the two in-person meetings during the year. Trustee expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2022 amounted to £61.

There were no related party transactions during the year.

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
11. Donations & Legacies							
Individual Gifts		-	33,112	33,112	-	36,770	66,770
Church Gifts		-	26,948	26,948	-	111,703	111,703
Grants from Trusts		-	47,450	47,450	-	111,850	111,850
Other		-	43,550	43,550	-	45,751	45,751
Gift Aid tax refunds		-	6,640	6,640	-	12,204	12,204
Legacies		-	2,000	2,000	-	-	-
				159,700		348,278	348,278
12. Investments							
Dividends – IFSL CAF UK Equity Fund B Income (Formerly called FP CAF UK Equity Fund B Income)		417	-	417	213	-	213
Bank interest		10	1,461	1,471	10	178	188
				1,888		178	401
13. EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities							
Charitable Giving	6	-	195,442	195,442	-	352,662	352,662
Admin costs: Administrator	7	-	12,636	12,636	-	12,485	12,485
Admin costs: Office Equipment		-	676	676	-	877	877
Admin costs: Print, Post & Stationery		-	64	64	-	189	189
Admin costs: Website Development		-	300	300	-	852	852
Admin costs: Bank charges		-	203	203	-	456	456

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		£	£	£	£	£	£
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities (continued)							
Promotion expenses		-	-	-	-	66	66
Governance costs: Insurance		-	204	204	-	160	160
Governance costs: Trustee meeting costs		-	2,507	2,507	-	161	161
Governance costs: Accty and Ind Examination	8	-	911	911	-	863	863
Sundry Expenses		-	225	225	-	235	235
			213,168	213,168	-	369,006	369,006

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
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Achievement and performance

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As a result of the ongoing effects of the Covid-19 Pandemic, meetings were again held more regularly – including online. DBI's National Director attended all meetings during the year online.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
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Financial review

The generosity of individuals, churches, and trusts has again been evident during the course of the year. General gifts (including relevantly apportioned interest and tax recoveries) totalled £178,043 (see Note 5). As with all unspecified gifts received by the Trust, these gifts were allocated to the DBI (General) Fund.

In addition to these general gifts, specific donations included gifts for - amongst others - social projects, pandemic response appeals, translated materials, the staff retreat, and local Centres. The total donated to these projects was £170,413 including apportioned interest and tax recoveries. Overall giving across all restricted funds was £348,456 compared with the previous year's income of £377,179.

Such generosity enabled Trustees to transfer a total of £369,006 to DBI for their various projects.

Trustees give thanks for the commitment of all those who have supported Partners in Service over the past year, whether financially, through prayer, or by donating their time.

Sometimes ear-marked gifts are not requested for onward transfer during the year in which the gift is made, but Trustees do ensure that any such money required in the following year is forwarded without delay. At the same time, it is incumbent upon the Trust to ensure that it holds enough restricted funds to cover those ongoing costs to which the Trust is committed.

The Trust does not own property.

Despite the Covid-19 challenges faced globally during the last two years, the prayerful generosity of donors has resulted in increased giving, for which Trustees give thanks. As a consequence, the Trust continues to be confident of meeting its obligations into the future.

Reserves policy

The Trust's Reserves Policy is regularly reviewed as a matter of good practice.

The Trust aims to have sufficient funds from year to year to facilitate the work of Delhi Bible Institute and in particular, to provide against fluctuations in DBI's income and expenditure needs.

In pursuance of this aim the Trust continues to be transparent with DBI regarding its funds. The Trust aims to provide agreed quarterly reporting to the National Director of DBI and endeavours to hold reserves, in its restricted DBI (General) Fund, which are at least equivalent to the Trust's general annual giving to DBI needs.

The Trust does not expect any of its other sub-funds to accumulate more than modest reserves and would anticipate that these will normally have year end balances of less than £10,000. Should sub-funds have more sizeable amounts, the Trust will discuss with DBI how the money accumulated in the sub-funds can be used, in line with the purpose of the sub-fund.

The intention of the Trustees is that this Policy should not place any maximum on the level of funds which can properly be held by the Trust, at any one time, to be used for the furtherance of the work of DBI. For avoidance of doubt this Policy will not prevent the Trust from forwarding to DBI any funds held by the Trust for the furtherance of DBI's work which are requested by DBI. The nature and timing of projects supported in India means that from time to time reserves may fall below the one year target.

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

Risk management

The Trustees have examined the major organisational risks which the Trust faces. The Trustees are confident that these risks are relatively minimal given the nature of its work, the donations made to it and the modest costs that it incurs in respect of its Administrator.

Structure, Governance and Management

Partners in Service is a UK registered charity (number 327424), and is constituted under a trust deed dated 2nd March 1987, as amended by a supplemental deed dated 12th August 1996. The Trust has in recent years adopted a working name: 'DBI Partners UK', and this is registered as such at the Charity Commission.

Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees and serve for an indefinite period. They meet at least annually. Those Trustees who have served during the year and up to the date the report was approved are as follows:

Rev David Johnston (Chairman)
Rev Philip Hair (Vice Chairman)
Mr Stephen Dalling (Secretary)
Mr Richard Henry (Acting Treasurer from 10th July 2021)
Rev Alastair Dunlop (from 10th July 2021)
Rev Prebendary Ian Lewis
Rev Howard Mason
Mrs Dorothy Pavey
Dr Sally Raheja (from 10th July 2021)
Rev Michael Smailes

New Trustees are selected on the basis of their experience, skills and knowledge of Christian work in India and across the world.

PARTNERS IN SERVICE

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

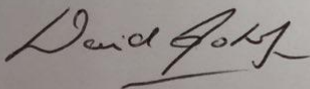
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity 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 financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business;

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to 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.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Rev David Johnston
Chair of Trustees

Date: 9th November 2022

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
PARTNERS IN SERVICE**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 15.

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").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 2011 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 that give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

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.

Mr M Cronin MAAT FCIE MICB
Bowhill Bookkeeping Services
172 Newman Road
Exeter
EX4 1PQ

Martin Cronin

Date 15th November 2022

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
Donations & Legacies	11	-	348,278	348,278	-	377,076	377,076
Investments	12	223	178	401	284	103	387
TOTAL		<u>223</u>	<u>348,456</u>	<u>348,679</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>377,179</u>	<u>377,463</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities	13	-	369,006	369,006	-	227,638	227,638
TOTAL		<u>-</u>	<u>369,006</u>	<u>369,006</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>227,638</u>	<u>227,638</u>
NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS	9	941	-	941	3,606	-	3,606
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>1,164</u>	<u>(20,550)</u>	<u>(19,386)</u>	<u>3,890</u>	<u>149,541</u>	<u>153,431</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		<u>15,452</u>	<u>293,393</u>	<u>308,845</u>	<u>11,562</u>	<u>143,852</u>	<u>155,414</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>16,616</u></u>	<u><u>272,843</u></u>	<u><u>289,459</u></u>	<u><u>15,452</u></u>	<u><u>293,393</u></u>	<u><u>308,845</u></u>

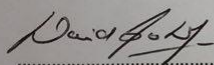
**PARTNERS IN SERVICE
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2022**

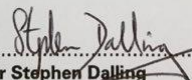
	Note	At 31 ST March 2022	At 31 ST March 2021
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS:			
Investments	2	15,705	14,764
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors	3	2,761	5,761
Cash at bank and in hand		291,543	309,370
		<u>294,304</u>	<u>315,131</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	(20,550)	(21,050)
		<u>273,254</u>	<u>294,081</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		273,254	294,081
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>289,459</u>	<u>308,845</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:			
Restricted Income Funds	5	272,843	293,393
Unrestricted Funds		16,616	15,452
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		<u>289,459</u>	<u>308,845</u>

The notes on pages 9 -15 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts were approved by the board of trustees on
and signed on its behalf by:

9th November 2022


.....
Rev David Johnston
Chair of Trustees


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Mr Stephen Dalling
Secretary, Trustee

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to the accounts. The financial statements have been prepared with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (second edition – October 2019) (effective 1st January 2019) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The financial statements have also been prepared with the Charities Act 2011.

Partners in Service meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

b) Fixed Asset investments

Investments are included at current market value at the balance sheet date. Any gain or loss on revaluation is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. The Charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial investments.

c) Debtors

The gift aid debtor is recognised and included as income when there is a valid declaration from the donor.

d) Cash at bank

Cash at bank includes 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.

e) Creditors

Creditors are recognised when 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.

f) Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the Charity is legally entitled to the income, receipt is probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donations are recognised when received by or on behalf of the Charity. Gift aid tax refunds are recognised on a receivable basis. Gift aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any gift aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

g) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities are costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.

h) The Funds of the Charity

Funds held by the Charity are:

Unrestricted Funds

These are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application within the charitable objects for the general purposes of the Charity.

Restricted Income Funds

These are funds which can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when the funds are raised for particular purposes.

i) Financial Instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and 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.

j) Going concern

The Trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Investments

	2022	2021
	£	£
IFSL CAF UK Equity Fund B Income (Formerly called FP CAF UK Equity Fund B Income)	15,705	14,764
	15,705	14,764

3. DEBTORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accrued Income: Gift aid tax refunds	2,761	5,761
	2,761	5,761

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
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4. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	550	1,050
Other Creditors: Gifts committed but not yet paid	20,000	20,000
	20,550	21,050
	20,550	21,050

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Fund Balances B/Forward	Income	Expenditure	Fund Balances C/Forward
	£	£	£	£
DBI (General)	181,155	178,043	(111,473)	247,725
DBI (Social Projects)	184	4,281	(4,390)	75
DBI (New Centres Cap Exp)	16,258	-	(16,258)	-
DBI (Hindi Materials)	3,112	2,485	(3,362)	2,235
DBI (Staff Retreat)	421	700	(911)	210
DBI (Bhopal)	6,591	-	(6,591)	-
DBI (Chandauli)	18,005	10,000	(18,005)	10,000
DBI (Chandigarh)	2,414	331	(2,620)	125
DBI (Jaipur)	13,392	5,000	(13,392)	5,000
DBI (Lucknow)	-	5,000	-	5,000
DBI (Ranchi)	2,501	-	(2,501)	-
DBI (Raipur)	5,233	-	(5,233)	-
DBI (Pandemic Response)	44,127	31,778	(75,905)	-
DBI (Oxygen Concentrators)	-	110,838	(108,365)	2,473
TOTALS	293,393	348,456	(369,006)	272,843
	293,393	348,456	(369,006)	272,843

ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	15,705	15,705
Current Assets	293,393	911	294,304
Creditors: Due within one year	(20,550)	-	(20,550)
Net Assets	272,843	16,616	289,459
	272,843	16,616	289,459

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5. RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

All the restricted funds are donated or raised from an appeal for Delhi Bible Institute (DBI). The individual restricted funds are either for a particular geographical area or a specific purpose.

5a. RESTRICTED FUNDS - Previous Year

	Fund Balances B/Forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund Balances C/Forward £
DBI (General)	72,678	198,088	(89,611)	181,155
DBI (Social Projects)	3,400	4,522	(7,738)	184
DBI (New Centres Cap Exp)	16,251	7	-	16,258
DBI (Hindi Materials)	6,984	4,325	(8,197)	3,112
DBI (Staff Retreat)	3,777	841	(4,197)	421
DBI (Jaipur)	2,390	11,002	-	13,392
DBI (Ranchi)	2,500	1	-	2,501
DBI (Chandauli)	7,001	11,004	-	18,005
DBI (Chandigarh)	2,082	332	-	2,414
DBI (Bhopal)	6,588	3	-	6,591
DBI (Raipur)	20,201	3,752	(18,720)	5,233
DBI (Pandemic Response)	-	143,302	(99,175)	44,127
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TOTALS	143,852	377,179	(227,638)	293,393
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ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	14,764	14,764
Current Assets	314,443	688	315,131
Creditors: Due within one year	(21,050)	-	(21,050)
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Net Assets	293,393	15,452	308,845
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6. CHARITABLE GIVING

During the year, the Trust distributed gifts totalling £352,662 (2021 - £212,846) all to Delhi Bible Institute.

7. ADMIN COSTS: ADMINISTRATOR

The costs of an administrator for the Trust totalled £12,485 (2021 - £12,254). The administrator is provided by St Bartholomew PCC, Bath and payments are made direct to them.

8. ACCOUNTANCY/INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

£863 was paid for the Charity's independent examination in the year which included an element for preparation of the year's accounts.

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9. NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Balance brought forward	14,764	11,158
Gain on revaluation of investments	941	3,606
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Balance carried forward	15,705	14,764
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10. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES/RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Charity's insurance includes trustee indemnity insurance.

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Trust was paid or is payable for the year to any Trustee or to any other person or persons known to be connected to any of the Trustees.

Trustee expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2022 amounted to £61 for one trustee for travel expenses. There were no trustee expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2021.

There were no related party transactions during the year.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
11. Donations & Legacies							
Individual Gifts		-	66,770	66,770	-	69,250	69,250
Church Gifts		-	111,703	111,703	-	60,281	60,281
Grants from Trusts		-	111,850	111,850	-	106,050	106,050
Other		-	45,751	45,751	-	129,494	129,494
Gift Aid tax refunds		-	12,204	12,204	-	12,001	12,001
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		-	348,278	348,278	-	377,076	377,076
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12. Investments							
Dividends – IFSL CAF UK Equity Fund B Income (Formerly called FP CAF UK Equity Fund B Income)		213	-	213	284	-	284
Bank Interest		10	178	188	-	103	103
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		223	178	401	284	103	387
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EXPENDITURE ON:							
13. Charitable activities							
Charitable Giving	6	-	352,662	352,662	-	212,846	212,846
Admin costs: Administrator	7	-	12,485	12,485	-	12,254	12,254
Admin costs: Office Equipment		-	877	877	-	490	490
Admin costs: Print, Post & Stationery		-	189	189	-	36	36
Admin costs: Website Development		-	852	852	-	624	624
Admin costs: Bank charges		-	456	456	-	412	412

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
EXPENDITURE ON:							
13. Charitable activities (continued)							
Promotion expenses		-	66	66	-	-	-
Governance costs: Insurance		-	160	160	-	116	116
Governance costs: Trustee meeting costs		-	161	161	-	(390)	(390)
Governance costs: Accty and Ind Examination	8	-	863	863	-	1,250	1,250
Sundry Expenses		-	235	235	-	-	-
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		-	369,006	369,006	-	227,638	227,638
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PARTNERS IN SERVICE

England & Wales - Charity number 327424

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**Delhi Bible Institute's
UK representative charity
(registered no 327424)**

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PARTNERS IN SERVICE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

CHARITY NAME: Partners in Service

WORKING NAME: DBI Partners UK

CHARITY REGISTERED NUMBER: 327424

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS: 1 King Edward Road
Bath
BA2 3PB

EMAIL ADDRESS: admin@dbipartnersuk.org.uk

WEBSITE: www.partnersinservice.org.uk

CURRENT TRUSTEES: Rev David Johnston (Chairman)
Rev Philip Hair (Vice Chairman)
Mr Stephen Dalling (Secretary)
Mr Richard Henry (Treasurer from 10/07/2021)
Rev Alastair Dunlop (from 10/07/2021)
Rev Prebendary Ian Lewis
Rev Howard Mason
Mrs Dorothy Pavey
Dr Sally Raheja (from 10/07/2021)
Rev Michael Smailes (from 03/10/20)

BANKERS: CAF Bank Ltd
25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4LQ

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER: Mr M B J Cronin MAAT FCIE
Bowhill Bookkeeping Services
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PARTNERS IN SERVICE
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of Partners in Service ('the Charity'/'the Trust') for the year ended 31st March 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 9 and 10 and comply with the charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011, the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2019) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Objectives and activities

The principal object of the Charity is to promote the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ through actions which are prompted by the love and example of His life. This is done mainly by supporting the work of Delhi Bible Institute ("DBI"); encouraging financial support of its work through the distribution of news and other DBI resources; and organising visits to the UK by the National Director. DBI has been based at Bible Bhavan since 1966, and currently operates from 9 centres in 7 states in India.

Partners in Service is DBI's UK representative trust and uses the name 'DBI Partners UK'.

In addition to the Trust's principal object of supporting DBI, its other objects are to relieve those in need in developing countries and deprived areas, and to support any other charitable objects as the Trustees shall from time to time determine.

Care is taken by the Trust when deciding how to fulfil its objects and carry out its duties and responsibilities, and to ensure that DBI, and any other work the Trust supports, are able and willing to use the funds for the benefit of the public or identifiable sections of the public and in keeping with the Trust's objects.

In selecting what and who to support during the year, the Trustees and the Trust have considered the Charity Commission's Guidance on public benefit and in particular the Commission's specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion and its guidance on the prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit.

The Trust continues to meet its legal requirements in a variety of ways, including supporting DBI.

Grant making policy

The majority of activities undertaken by the Trust are in support of the work of DBI.

The Trust does occasionally channel funding to other charitable causes, in accordance with its objects and responsibilities as set out above.

Achievement and performance

As for so many organisations, this year has been unlike any other in the life of the Trust. There is much to give thanks for, in particular for the prayerful generosity of so many in response to the DBI appeal for support for their emergency action. Within a matter of weeks of the start of the impact of Covid-19, the Trust had received over £36,000 by way of donations given specifically for the emergency food aid, and masks distribution. That generosity has continued into 2021, with prayers and funds being offered for DBI's ongoing efforts as the second wave of the Pandemic developed.

In line with its principal objective, the Trust has continued to actively support DBI. As a result of the Covid-19 Pandemic, meetings were held more regularly – including online. DBI's National Director attended meetings online.

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

Financial review

During the last financial year Trustees have, once again, been deeply humbled by the ongoing generosity of individuals, churches and trusts. General gifts (including relevantly apportioned interest and tax recoveries) totalled £198,088 (see Note 5). As with all unspecified gifts received by the Trust, these gifts were allocated to the DBI (General) Fund.

In addition to these general gifts, specific donations included gifts for - amongst others - social projects, translated materials, the staff retreat, and local Centres. The total donated to these projects was £179,091, including apportioned interest and tax recoveries. Overall giving across all restricted funds was £377,076 compared with the previous year's income of £181,605.

Such generosity enabled Trustees to transfer £212,846 to DBI for their various projects and including £99,175 for DBI's Pandemic Response Appeal.

Trustees give thanks for the commitment of all those who have supported Partners in Service over the past year, whether financially, through prayer, or by donating their time.

Sometimes ear-marked gifts are not requested for onward transfer during the year in which the gift is made, but Trustees do ensure that any such money required in the following year is forwarded without delay. At the same time, it is incumbent upon the Trust to ensure that it holds enough restricted funds to cover those ongoing costs to which the Trust is committed.

The Trust does not own property.

Despite the Covid-19 challenges faced globally during the last year, the prayerful generosity of donors has resulted in increased giving, for which Trustees give thanks. As a consequence, the Trust continues to be confident of meeting its obligations into the future.

Reserves policy

The Trust's Reserves Policy is regularly reviewed as a matter of good practice.

The Trust aims to have sufficient funds from year to year to facilitate the work of Delhi Bible Institute and in particular, to provide against fluctuations in DBI's income and expenditure needs.

In pursuance of this aim the Trust continues to be transparent with DBI regarding its funds. The Trust aims to provide agreed quarterly reporting to the National Director of DBI and endeavours to hold reserves, in its restricted DBI (General) Fund, which are at least equivalent to the Trust's general annual giving to DBI needs.

The Trust does not expect any of its other sub-funds to accumulate more than modest reserves and would anticipate that these will normally have year end balances of less than £10,000. Should sub-funds have more sizeable amounts, the Trust will discuss with DBI how the money accumulated in the sub-funds can be used, in line with the purpose of the sub-fund.

The intention of the Trustees is that this Policy should not place any maximum on the level of funds which can properly be held by the Trust, at any one time, to be used for the furtherance of the work of DBI. For avoidance of doubt this Policy will not prevent the Trust from forwarding to DBI any funds held by the Trust for the furtherance of DBI's work which are requested by DBI. The nature and timing of projects supported in India means that from time to time reserves may fall below the one year target.

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Risk management

The Trustees have examined the major organisational risks which the Trust faces. The Trustees are confident that these risks are relatively minimal given the nature of its work, the donations made to it and the modest costs that it incurs in respect of its Administrator.

Structure, Governance and Management

Partners in Service is a UK registered charity (number 327424), and is constituted under a trust deed dated 2 March 1987, as amended by a supplemental deed dated 12 August 1996. The Trust has in recent years adopted a working name: 'DBI Partners UK', and this is registered as such at the Charity Commission.

Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees and serve for an indefinite period. They meet at least annually. Those Trustees who have served during the year and up to the date the report was approved are as follows:

Rev David Johnston (Chairman)
Rev Philip Hair (Vice Chairman)
Mr Stephen Dalling (Secretary)
Mr Richard Henry (Treasurer from 10/07/2021)
Rev Adrian Reynolds (Treasurer to 27/03/2021)
Rev Alastair Dunlop (from 10/07/2021)
Rev Prebendary Ian Lewis
Rev Howard Mason
Mr Brian Pavey (to 27/03/2021)
Mrs Dorothy Pavey
Dr Sally Raheja (from 10/07/2021)
Rev Michael Smailes (from 03/10/20)

New Trustees are selected on the basis of their experience, skills and knowledge of Christian work in India and across the world.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to 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.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



**Rev David Johnston
Chair of Trustees**

Date:

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
PARTNERS IN SERVICE**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31ST March 2021 which are set out on pages 7 to 14.

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").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 2011 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 given me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

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.

Mr M Cronin MAAT FCIE
Bowhill Bookkeeping Services
172 Newman Road
Exeter
EX4 1PQ

M. Cronin

Date

12/01/2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
Donations & Legacies	11	-	377,076	377,076	-	181,605	181,605
Investments	12	284	103	387	404	154	558
TOTAL		284	377,179	377,463	404	181,759	182,163
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities	13	-	227,638	227,638	-	158,035	158,035
TOTAL		-	227,638	227,638	-	158,035	158,035
NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS	9	3,606	-	3,606	(3,123)	-	(3,123)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		3,890	149,541	153,431	(2,719)	23,724	21,005
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		11,562	143,852	155,414	14,281	120,128	134,409
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		15,452	293,393	308,845	11,562	143,852	155,414

PARTNERS IN SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST MARCH 2021

	Note	£	At 31 ST March 2021 £	£	At 31 ST March 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS:					
Investments	2		14,764		11,158
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Debtors	3	5,761		3,386	
Cash at bank and in hand		309,370		161,870	
		<u>315,131</u>		<u>165,256</u>	
LIABILITIES:					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	(21,050)		(21,000)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			294,081		144,256
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>308,845</u>		<u>155,414</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:					
Restricted Income Funds	5		293,393		143,852
Unrestricted Funds			15,452		11,562
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS			<u>308,845</u>		<u>155,414</u>

The notes on pages 9 -14 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts were approved by the board of trustees on 12/01/2022 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Rev David Johnston
Chair of Trustees


.....
Mr Stephen Dalling
Secretary, Trustee

PARTNERS IN SERVICE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to the accounts. The financial statements have been prepared with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (second edition – October 2019) (effective 1 January 2019) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The financial statements have also been prepared with the Charities Act 2011.

Partners in Service meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

b) Fixed Asset investments

Investments are included at current market value at the balance sheet date. Any gain or loss on revaluation is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. The charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial investments.

c) Debtors

The gift aid debtor is recognised and included as income when there is a valid declaration from the donor.

d) Cash at bank

Cash at bank includes 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.

e) Creditors

Creditors are recognised when 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.

f) Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income, receipt is probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donations are recognised when received by or on behalf of the charity. Gift aid tax refunds are recognised on a receivable basis. Gift aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any gift aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

g) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities are costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.

h) The Funds of the Charity

Funds held by the charity are:

Unrestricted Funds

These are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application within the charitable objects for the general purposes of the charity.

Restricted Income Funds

These are funds which can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when the funds are raised for particular purposes.

i) Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and 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.

j) Going concern

The trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Investments

	2021	2020
	£	£
IFSL CAF UK Equity Fund B Income	14,764	11,158
(Formerly called FP CAF UK Equity Fund B Income)	14,764	11,158
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3. DEBTORS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accrued Income: Gift aid tax refunds	5,761	3,386
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	5,761	3,386
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4. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals	1,050	1,000
Other Creditors: Gifts committed but not yet paid	20,000	20,000
	21,050	21,000
	21,050	21,000

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Fund Balances B/Forward	Income	Expenditure	Fund Balances C/Forward
	£	£	£	£
DBI (General)	72,678	198,088	(89,611)	181,155
DBI (Social Projects)	3,400	4,522	(7,738)	184
DBI (New Centres Cap Exp)	16,251	7	-	16,258
DBI (Hindi Materials)	6,984	4,325	(8,197)	3,112
DBI (Staff Retreat)	3,777	841	(4,197)	421
DBI (Jaipur)	2,390	11,002	-	13,392
DBI (Ranchi)	2,500	1	-	2,501
DBI (Chandauli)	7,001	11,004	-	18,005
DBI (Chandigarh)	2,082	332	-	2,414
DBI (Bhopal)	6,588	3	-	6,591
DBI (Raipur)	20,201	3,752	(18,720)	5,233
DBI (Pandemic Response)	-	143,302	(99,175)	44,127
	143,852	377,179	(227,638)	293,393
	143,852	377,179	(227,638)	293,393

ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets: Investments	-	14,764	14,764
Current Assets	314,443	688	315,131
Creditors: Due within one year	(21,050)	-	(21,050)
	293,393	15,452	308,845
	293,393	15,452	308,845

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5. RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

All the restricted funds are donated or raised from an appeal for Delhi Bible Institute (DBI). The individual restricted funds are either for a particular geographical area or a specific purpose.

6. CHARITABLE GIVING

During the year, the Trust distributed gifts totalling £212,846 (2020 - £141,550) all to Delhi Bible Institute.

7. ADMIN COSTS: ADMINISTRATOR

The costs of an administrator for the Trust totalled £12,254 (2020 - £12,013). The administrator is provided by St Bartholomew PCC, Bath and payments are made direct to them.

8. ACCOUNTANCY/INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

£1,050 was paid for the charity's independent examination in the year which included an element for accounts preparation.

9. NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Balance brought forward	11,158	14,281
Gain/(Loss) on revaluation of investments	3,606	(3,123)
	14,764	11,158
	14,764	11,158

10. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES/RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity's insurance includes trustee indemnity insurance.

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Trust was paid or is payable for the year to any Trustee or to any other person or persons known to be connected to any of the Trustees.

There were no trustee expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2021, £1,142 for the year ended 31st March 2020.

There were no related party transactions during the year.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2021**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
11. INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
Donations & Legacies							
Individual Gifts		-	69,250	69,250	-	34,531	34,531
Church Gifts		-	60,281	60,281	-	65,549	65,549
Grants from Trusts		-	106,050	106,050	-	64,730	64,730
Legacies		-	-	-	-	18	18
Other		-	129,494	129,494	-	10,474	10,474
Gift Aid tax refunds		-	12,001	12,001	-	6,303	6,303
		-	377,076	377,076	-	181,605	181,605
12. Investments							
Dividends – IFSL CAF UK Equity Fund B Income (Formerly called FP CAF UK Equity Fund B Income)		284	-	284	404	-	404
Bank Interest		-	103	103	-	154	154
		284	103	387	404	154	558
13. EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable activities							
Charitable Giving	6	-	212,846	212,846	-	141,550	141,550
Admin costs: Administrator	7	-	12,254	12,254	-	12,013	12,013
Admin costs: Office Equipment		-	490	490	-	613	613
Admin costs: Print, Post & Stationery		-	36	36	-	79	79
Admin costs: Website Development		-	624	624	-	558	558
Admin costs: Bank charges		-	412	412	-	186	186

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020
		£	£	£	£	£	£
EXPENDITURE ON:							
13. Charitable activities (continued)							
Promotion expenses		-	-	-	-	1,083	1,083
Governance costs: Insurance		-	116	116	-	101	101
Governance costs: Trustee meeting costs		-	(390)	(390)	-	1,142	1,142
Governance costs: Accty and Ind Examination	8	-	1,250	1,250	-	1,000	1,000
Sundry Expenses		-	-	-	-	(290)	(290)
		-	227,638	227,638	-	158,035	158,035