

**Parliamentary Human Rights Trust: Registered Number 327478**  
**Charity Trustees' Annual Report 2023 (for Financial Year Ending 31.03.23)**

The Parliamentary Human Rights Trust (the Trust), Registered Number 327478, is administered and managed by a number of UK Parliamentarians, who represent a wide range of political parties, in their capacity as Officers of the Trust and the All-Party Parliamentary Human Rights Group (PHRG), and is based in the UK Houses of Parliament. The governing document of the Trust is the Declaration of Trust dated 23 January 1987, as amended 26 July 2012 to enable the independent examination of the accounts. In accordance with the Declaration of Trust, none of the Officers are Trustees.

The Chair for the Trust is Baroness Vivien Stern, whose office address is House of Lords, London, SW1A 0PW.

The current Trustees of the Trust are as follows: Baroness D'Souza; Baroness Anelay; and, Baroness Quin.

The public contact for the Trust is currently the Chair of the Trust, as above, but it is envisaged that this will be amended in the next Financial Year, with Nicole Piché, the PHRT/PHRG Co-ordinator/Legal Advisor, taking on that role.

The Trust's objects are to undertake, promote and commission research into the maintenance and observance of human rights globally, particularly those set out in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and to disseminate the results of such research to governments, parliamentarians, intergovernmental organisations and the general public in the United Kingdom.

As a means of supporting these objects, the Trust works closely with the PHRG, which employs a Co-ordinator/Advisor. The restricted grant from the Barrow Cadbury Trust received by the Trust is transferred to the PHRG towards the payment of the Co-ordinator/Advisor's salary. The Trust's costs and outgoings are kept to a minimum as the Parliamentarians, both Officers and Trustees, undertake their work on a voluntary basis.

The Officers are responsible for the promotion of the objects of the Trust and, to this end, work with other Parliamentarians, intergovernmental organisations, NGOs and representatives from the UK and other governments, to decide upon topics to be researched, to collate information and to disseminate research findings. They also respond to enquiries from members of the public in the UK and abroad relating to human rights issues. They are assisted in this regard by the above-mentioned Co-ordinator/Advisor.

The Officers and Trustees ensure the work undertaken to further the Trust's objects is carried out on the basis of political neutrality.

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Commission's guidance on public benefit in exercising their powers and duties, and with the Commission's guidance on campaigning and political activity.

The Trustees have reviewed the relationship between the Trust and the PHRG, a non-charity, and are satisfied any possible risks are being appropriately managed.

The Trustees review internal financial controls and the accounts annually, and other guidance, including that issued by the Commission, such as on risk management and safeguarding, as appropriate to ensure compliance with their obligations, and have agreed a Safeguarding Policy and appointed a Designated Safeguarding Lead, Trustee Baroness Anelay.



The Trust keeps monies in reserve commensurate with its legal obligations, including those arising under employment law, for instance, if the Trust had to cease operating.

During the above financial year, the Trust, in association with the PHRG, has undertaken the following:

*On-going research on the following human rights situations and issues:*

Afghanistan; Albania; Argentina; Armenia; Bahrain; Belarus; Brazil; Burundi; Cameroon; Colombia; DRC; Egypt; Ethiopia; Eswatini; The Gambia; Greece; Guatemala; Honduras; India; Iraq; Jordan; Kosovo; Madagascar; Mexico; Moldova; Mongolia; Oman; Pakistan; Peru; The Philippines; Qatar; Rwanda; Saudi Arabia; Sri Lanka; South Korea; Sudan; Tunisia; Turkey; UAE; Ukraine; Uzbekistan; Western Sahara; Business and Human Rights; Human Rights Defenders at Risk; Mass Atrocity Prevention; Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict; Security Sector Cooperation; Torture Prevention; Transnational Human Rights Violations

*Research in connection with the organisation of Parliamentary meetings and events on:*

Academic Freedom and Internationalisation of UK HE Sector; Afghanistan; Bahrain; Brazil; Burma; Colombia; India; Iran; Israel & Palestinian Occupied Territories; Mexico; Saudi Arabia; Tunisia; UK Security Assistance Abroad; Ukraine; Yemen; Zimbabwe;

*Support for the work of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, including the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians;*

*Monitoring the UK Government's actions and activities in the international human rights field, and meeting and corresponding with UK Ministers, Ambassadors and officials on issues of concern;*

*Regular meetings with representatives from human rights NGOs on issues of mutual concern;*

*Correspondence with human rights NGOs, inter-governmental organisations and members of the public further to their queries about human rights matters.*

*Signed by the Chair and Trust Contact:*  
*Baroness Vivien Stern*



Date: 20.07.23

Location: London

*Signed by the Trustees of the Parliamentary Human Rights Trust:*

Trustee: Baroness D'Souza

Signature:

Frances D'Souza

Date:

20th July 2023

Location:

Parliament

Trustee: Baroness Anelay of St Johns

Signature:

Anelay of St Johns

Date:

20th July 2023

Location:

House of Lords

Trustee: Baroness Quin

Signature:

Baroness Quin

Date: 20.07.23

Location:

## ANNEX II

Parliamentary Human Rights Trust  
Accounts for Financial Year 01/04/22– 31/03/23

OPENING BALANCE	
Opening Balance 1/04/22	£ 48,472.02
WITHDRAWALS 1/04/22 –31/03/23	
Transfers to All Party Parliamentary Human Rights Group (PHRG) Account ( <i>for payment of staff salary</i> )	£ 39,068.64
Extra Transfer to PHRG account ( <i>for future payment of staff salary</i> )	£ 3255.72
<b>TOTAL OUTGOING</b>	<b>£ 42,324.36</b>
DEPOSITS 1/04/22–31/03/23	
Interest	£62.15
Grant - Barrow Cadbury Trust (BCT) – RESTRICTED for payment of staff salary re. PHRG/PHRT Co-ordinator/Legal Advisor	£31,750.00
<b>TOTAL INCOMING</b>	<b>£ 31,812.15</b>
CLOSING BALANCE	
Closing Balance 31/03/23	£ 37,959.81

### **Banking Details**

Funds held at the Co-operative Bank.

Registered Office:

The Co-operative Bank PLC

PO Box 101

1 Balloon Street

Manchester

M60 4EP

Registered in England and Wales No. 990937

### **Notes to Accounts**

*Please see Withdrawals 01/04/22 – 31/03/23 above.*

The charity did not make any grants or donations.

The trustees did not incur any expenses.

The charity does not have any tangible fixed assets.

The charity does not have any investment assets.

The charity does not have any debtors or creditors nor has the charity granted any loans.

*Signed by the Treasurer Stephen Timms MP:*

Signature:

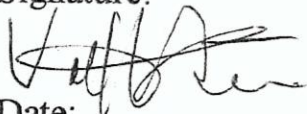


Date: 11 July 2023



Signed by the PHRT Chair Baroness Stern:

Signature:



Date:

Location:

Signed by the PHRT Trustees:

Trustee: Baroness D'Souza

Signature:



Date:

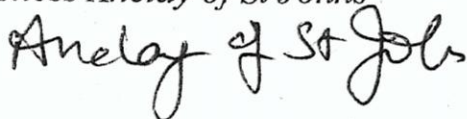
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

Parliamentary Human Rights Trust

On accounts for the year  
ended

31.03.23

Charity no  
(if any)

327478

Set out on pages

1-4

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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

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

Independent  
examiner's statement

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

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

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

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

Signed:

J E Lefroy

Date:

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

Name:

TEREMY JOHN ELTON LEFROY

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

FELLOW OF THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS  
IN ENGLAND AND WALES (FCA)

Address:

9 HIGHWAY LANE

KEELE, STAFFORDSHIRE ST5 5AN

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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



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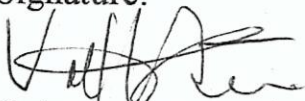


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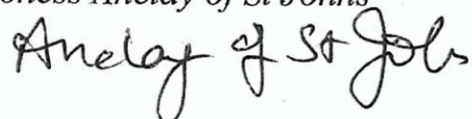
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