

Parliamentary Human Rights Trust: Registered Number 327478
Charity Trustees' Annual Report 2024 (for Financial Year Ending 31.03.24)

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 of 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 its accounts. None of the Officers are Trustees.

During this reporting period, the Trustees of the Trust were as follows: Baroness D'Souza; Baroness Anelay; and, Baroness Quin.

The Trust's public contact is Nicole Piché, the PHRT/PHRG Co-ordinator/Legal Advisor, whose office address is House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA.

The Trust's objects are to undertake, promote and commission research into the maintenance and observance of human rights (in countries of the world); 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. From January 2024, the Trust has also been assisted on an informal basis by a part-time intern, paid directly out of PHRG funds, for hours worked at the London Living Wage.

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 international 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, safeguarding and social media use, 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 to enable it to comply with its legal obligations, including those arising under employment law (e.g., redundancy payments), and to wind down in an orderly fashion (i.e., providing for 6 months operating costs), if the Trust was forced 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:

Albania; Argentina; Armenia; Azerbaijan; Bahrain; Bangladesh; Brazil; Colombia; Dominican Republic; Egypt; Ethiopia; Gambia; Guatemala; India; Kosovo; Morocco; Nicaragua; Nigeria; Pakistan; Philippines; Qatar; Russia; Saudi Arabia; Serbia; Sudan; Tunisia; USA; Uzbekistan; FCDO Human Rights Programming; Corporate Due Diligence to Prevent Environmental and Human Rights Harms; Mass Atrocity Prevention; Transnational Repression; Universal Declaration of Human Rights: 75th Anniversary; Women Human Rights Defenders;

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

Afghanistan; Brazil; Chile; Colombia; Guatemala; Honduras; Pakistan; Peru; Saudi Arabia; Tunisia; Turkey;

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 Trustees of the Parliamentary Human Rights Trust:

Trustee: Baroness D'Souza


Signature:



Date: 30/10/2024

Location: Parliament

Trustee: Baroness Anelay of St Johns

Signature: 

Date: 30/10/2024

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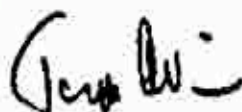
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Date: 30.10.24

Location: London

Parliamentary Human Rights Trust
Accounts for Financial Year 01/04/23– 31/03/24

OPENING BALANCE	
Opening Balance 1/04/23	£ 37,959.81
WITHDRAWALS 1/04/23 –31/03/24	
Transfers to All Party Parliamentary Human Rights Group (PHRG) Account (<i>for payment of staff salary</i>)	£ 37,522.88
TOTAL OUTGOING	£ 37,522.88
DEPOSITS 1/04/23–31/03/24	
Interest	£460.37
Grant - Barrow Cadbury Trust (BCT) - RESTRICTED	£35,250.00
Transfer from PHRG account (<i>to offset extra inadvertent transfer for payment of staff salary FYE 31.03.23</i>)	£3255.72
One off donation	£20.00
TOTAL INCOMING	£ 38,986.09
CLOSING BALANCE	
Closing Balance 31/03/24	£ 39,423.02

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

The charity did not make any grants or donations, other than payments made to the All-Party Parliamentary Human Rights Group (PHRG), as on the accounts above.

The trustees did not incur any expenses.

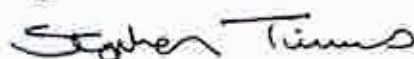
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The charity does not have any investment assets.

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: 30.10.24

Trustee: Baroness D'Souza

Signature:

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Date: *30th October 2024*

Location: *Parliament*

Trustee: Baroness Anelay of St Johns

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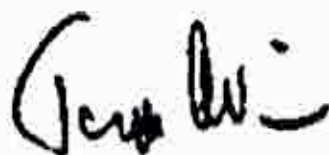
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Parliamentary Human Rights Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

31.03.24

Charity no
(if any)

327478

Set out on pages

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Responsibilities and
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31.03.2024

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

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

Signed:

JSE LPS

Date:

21-12-2024

Name:

TEREMY JOHN ELTON LEFROY

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

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

(if any):

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Address:

9 HIGHWAY LANE
KEELE, STAFFORDSHIRE ST5 5AN

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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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ANNEX III

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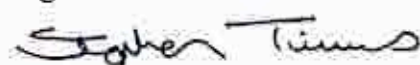
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Frances D'Souza

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