

Project Mala Charitable Trust

(Charity Registration Number 801953)

Trustees' Annual Report & Financial Statements for the year ended

31st March 2023

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Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended: **31st March 2023**

Reference and administration details

Charity name Project Mala Charitable Trust

Other names the charity is known by None

Registered charity number (if any) 801953

Charity's principal address Model Farm
The Green, Upper Poppleton
York, YO26 6DP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Robin Garland Anne Gilmour Angela Scott	Chair		

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
None	

Reference and administration details (continued)

Names and addresses of advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Investment Advisor	Hargreaves Lansdown	
Independent Examiner	Karen Wood ACMA,	Hiscox Building, Peasholme Green, York, YO1 7PR

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Governing document: Trust Deed dated 7 August 1989

How the charity is constituted An unincorporated charity

Trustee selection methods New trustees are appointed as needs arise and to ensure that an appropriate range of skills and experience is brought to the management of the trust. Appointment is by existing trustees.

Additional governance issues

The charity is administered by a board of trustees supported by volunteers plus remunerated administrative support as required.

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The principal objective of the charity is the advancement of education and the relief of poverty amongst children in India.

The trust supports The Children Emancipation Society which operates Project Mala schools in India. Currently there are 5 pre-schools for girls, 6 primary, 4 middle, 2 secondary schools and 1 intermediate college in the state of Uttar Pradesh, India, supporting over 1,350 underprivileged children in full time education. The education covers up to 10 years and grades 1-12 of the national curriculum. Most of these children could have grown up illiterate without the benefit of our work. Nutrition and health care are provided for all pupils.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

The main beneficiaries at this stage are children in the Uttar Pradesh state of Northern India who receive education, nutrition and health care through funding provided by the trust.

The trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year we undertook a fund raising exercise through the Christmas Challenge, to extend our IT teaching to middle school level. This raised over £12,000. IT is now such an important subject for our schools, as almost all the jobs our children apply for need this ability.



The demand for places in our schools is still substantially more than we can cope with and our most difficult job is having to disappoint so many children.

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

A deficit of £37,728 before loss from exchange has been made this year, decreasing reserves to £111,347. In the balance sheet investment assets have increased by £2,298 from £55,745 to £58,043, current assets have decreased by £40,448 from £94,302 to £53,854 and current liabilities have stayed the same.

Amount of reserves held

£111,347 of unrestricted reserve

Reserves policy

The trustees adopt the advice of the Charity Commission in seeking to maintain an adequate level of unrestricted funds to support ongoing work.

Funds materially in deficit

None

Funds held as a custodian trustee

The schools in India are operated by The Children Emancipation Society which is a society registered in India. The society has its own trustees. All

schools operate under the 'Project Mala' name. Project Mala supplies approximately 80% of the costs incurred in India, the balance being raised within the country. Efforts continue to be made to increase the domestic funding so that in the longer term there is less reliance on grants from overseas.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the trustees should follow best practice and:

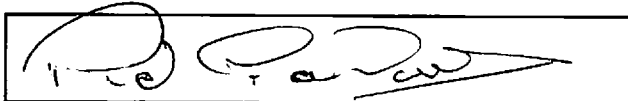
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. 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.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Signature

ROBIN GARLAND

Name

CHAIRMAN

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

7/8/2023

Date

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Project Mala Charitable Trust

I report on the accounts of: **Project Mala Charitable Trust**
for the year ended: **31st March 2023** which are set out on pages 5 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').


I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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



Karen Wood (ACMA)

7/8/23

Date:

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended: 31st March 2023

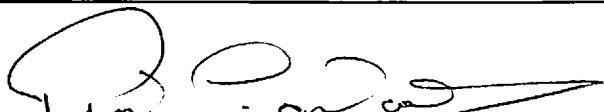
	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3.1	221,854	9,770	231,624	224,120
Investments	3.2	3,115	-	3,115	2,600
Other income	3.3	1,728	-	1,728	1,591
Total income	3	226,697	9,770	236,467	228,311
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	4.1	4,104	-	4,104	3,292
Charitable activities	4.2	260,321	9,770	270,091	199,211
Other expenses	4.3	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	4	264,425	9,770	274,195	202,503
Net incoming/ (outgoing)resources before other recognised gains/ (losses)		(37,728)	-	(37,728)	25,808
Transfers between funds	10	-	-	-	-
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	6	(422)	-	(422)	2,985
Net movement in funds		(38,150)	-	(38,150)	28,793
Total funds brought forward		149,497	-	149,497	120,704
Total funds carried forward		111,347	-	111,347	149,497

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Balance Sheet as at: 31st March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets			
Investments	6	58,043	55,745
Total Fixed Assets		58,043	55,745
Current Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand	7	48,124	88,542
Debtors & prepayments	8	5,730	5,760
Total Current Assets		53,854	94,302
Current Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year			
Creditors and accruals	9	(550)	(550)
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)		53,304	93,752
Net Assets/(Liabilities)		111,347	149,497
Funds of the Charity	10		
Unrestricted Funds (General)		111,347	149,497
Restricted Funds		-	-
Total Funds Carried Forward		111,347	149,497

The financial statements were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Signature

ROBIN GARLAND

Name

CHAIRMAN

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

Project Mala Charitable Trust

Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended:

31st March 2023

	Note	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		(38,150)	28,793
(Gains)/losses on investments		422	(2,985)
		<u>(37,728)</u>	<u>25,808</u>
Working capital changes			
(Increase)/decrease in debtors		30	338
Increase/(decrease) in creditors		-	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		<u>(37,698)</u>	<u>26,146</u>
Cash flows used in investing activities			
Purchase of investments	6	(13,280)	(7,105)
Sale of investments	6	10,737	4,899
Cash from investing activities		<u>(2,543)</u>	<u>(2,206)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(40,241)	23,940
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2022		89,038	65,098
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2023		<u>48,797</u>	<u>89,038</u>
Cash at bank at 31 March 2023	7	48,124	88,542
Cash equivalents at 31 March 2023	6	673	496
		<u>48,797</u>	<u>89,038</u>

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended:

31st March 2023

1.1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

1.2 Change of basis of accounting

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

1.3 Change to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

2 Accounting policies

2.1 Income

Recognition of income

Income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- receipt is probable; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure, the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has evidence of entitlement to the resources and receipt is probable.

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

2.2 Expenditure and Liabilities

Expenditure

Raising funds

Cost of raising funds comprises those costs associated with attracting voluntary income.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

2.3 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £5,000. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt, less depreciation. Assets are depreciated at 25% per annum on a straight line basis.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies at the year end have been translated into UK Sterling at the rate of exchange applicable at the date of the Balance Sheet. Transactions in foreign currencies during the financial year have been translated into sterling using the exchange rate on the day of the transaction. Exchange rate differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

The total value of assets and liabilities held in foreign currencies at the year-end was £23,606 (\$11,080 (US Dollars), \$27,002 (AUS Dollars) calculated using applicable exchanges as of 31st March 2023 (\$0.8101 to £1, \$0.5418 to £1).

2.4 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

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

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended: 31st March 2023

3 Income and endowments

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £
3.1 Donations and legacies						
Donations and gifts	54,583	9,770	64,353	62,900	13,604	76,504
Child sponsorship & scholarship	141,812	-	141,812	122,743	-	122,743
Gift aid	25,459	-	25,459	24,873	-	24,873
	<u>221,854</u>	<u>9,770</u>	<u>231,624</u>	<u>210,516</u>	<u>13,604</u>	<u>224,120</u>
3.2 Investments						
Bank interest	389	-	389	2	-	2
Dividends	2,726	-	2,726	2,598	-	2,598
	<u>3,115</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,115</u>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,600</u>
3.3 Other income						
Gain on exchange rates	1,728	-	1,728	1,591	-	1,591
	<u>1,728</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,728</u>	<u>1,591</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,591</u>
Total income	<u>226,697</u>	<u>9,770</u>	<u>236,467</u>	<u>214,707</u>	<u>13,604</u>	<u>228,311</u>

4 Expenditure

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022 £
4.1 Raising funds						
Incurred seeking donations & sponsorship	<u>4,104</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,104</u>	<u>3,282</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,282</u>
4.2 Charitable activities						
Direct school funding costs	234,088	9,770	243,858	160,745	13,604	174,349
Bank transfer fees	147	-	147	30	-	30
Communications & IT	5,496	-	5,496	719	-	719
General office	852	-	852	2,531	-	2,531
Insurance & DBS checks	524	-	524	491	-	491
Travel & subsistence	390	-	390	562	-	562
Finance & administration costs	18,300	-	18,300	19,979	-	19,979
Independent examination	524	-	524	550	-	550
	<u>260,321</u>	<u>9,770</u>	<u>270,091</u>	<u>185,607</u>	<u>13,604</u>	<u>199,211</u>
4.3 Other expenditure						
Loss on exchange rates	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditure	<u>264,425</u>	<u>9,770</u>	<u>274,195</u>	<u>188,899</u>	<u>13,604</u>	<u>202,503</u>

5 Expenses & fees

No trustees received a remuneration for services rendered during the year, nor were any trustees' out of pocket expenses reimbursed.

5.1 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2023	2022
	£	£
Independent Examiner's fees	<u>550</u>	<u>550</u>

6 Investment assets

	Cash & cash equivalents At cost	Listed investments At fair value	Total
	£	£	£
Carrying (fair) value at beginning of year	496	55,249	55,745
Sale of disposals	8,741	13,280	22,021
Purchase of additions	(13,280)	(8,741)	(22,021)
Dividends & interest	2,728	-	2,728
Management fees	(8)		(8)
Return of capital	1,996	(1,996)	0
Add/(deduct): net gain/(loss) on revaluation	-	(422)	(422)
Carrying (fair) value at end of year	<u>673</u>	<u>57,370</u>	<u>58,043</u>
Comprising:			
Cash at cost			673
Investments at fair value			<u>57,370</u>
			<u>58,043</u>

7 Cash at bank and in hand

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
RBS current	8,406	-	8,406	18,501
RBS deposit	459	-	459	20,319
Coop	15,328		15,328	1,782
PayPal	325		325	330
US dollars	8,976	-	8,976	35,687
AUS dollars	14,630	-	14,630	11,923
	<u>48,124</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>48,124</u>	<u>88,542</u>

8 Debtors and prepayments

	2023	2022
	£	£
Debtors and prepayments	<u>5,730</u>	<u>5,760</u>
Gift aid	<u>5,730</u>	<u>5,760</u>

9 Creditors and accruals	2023	2022
Analysis of creditors falling due within one year	£	£
Accruals & deferred income	550	550
	<u>550</u>	<u>550</u>

10 Movement of funds

10.1 Movement of major funds

2023

Fund name	Balance b/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Gain/loss on invest £	Balance c/fwd £
Unrestricted funds						
	149,497	226,697	264,425	-	(422)	111,347
Restricted Funds						
Equipment for schools	-	110	110	-	-	-
Education	-	2,675	2,675	-	-	-
Nutrition	-	2,616	2,616	-	-	-
Pradeep	-	4,369	4,369	-	-	-
	-	9,770	9,770	-	-	-
Total Funds	<u>149,497</u>	<u>236,467</u>	<u>274,195</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(422)</u>	<u>111,347</u>

2022

Fund Name	Balance b/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Gain/loss on invest £	Balance c/fwd £
Unrestricted Funds						
	120,704	214,707	188,899	-	2,985	149,497
Restricted Funds						
Equipment for schools	-	5,170	5,170	-	-	-
Education	-	2,269	2,269	-	-	-
Nutrition	-	3,666	3,666	-	-	-
Smartboards	-	2,499	2,499	-	-	-
	-	13,604	13,604	-	-	-
Total Funds	<u>120,704</u>	<u>228,311</u>	<u>202,503</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,985</u>	<u>149,497</u>

10.2 Details of Funds Held

Unrestricted Funds (General)

The general fund is unrestricted and available for general purposes.

Restricted Funds

The restricted funds are only available for the purposes specified for each fund, which are:

Equipment for schools

Donations given for equipment and uniforms in the schools

Education

Donations given towards education

Nutrition

A fund to enable the improvement in physical improvement through healthcare and nutrition.

Smartboards

Donations given for smartboards in schools.

11 Net assets between funds

Balance at 31st March 2023	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Fixed assets			
Current assets	58,043	-	58,043
Current liabilities	53,854	-	53,854
	(550)	-	(550)
	111,347	-	111,347
Balance at 31st March 2022	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Fixed assets	55,745		55,745
Current assets	94,302	-	94,302
	(550)	-	(550)
	149,497	-	149,497