

Solas Trust

Northern Ireland · Charity number 101627

Details

Status Received

Registered 2015-05-12

Register [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

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Activities

Purposes: The Company is established to: (1) Provide safe housing as a place of refuge, rehabilitation and restoration for women and children who are victims of human trafficking and/or prostitution through the provision of residential care for up to 12 months; (2) Provide the facilitation of structured healing (physical, psychological and emotional) and life-skill programmes as well as support with family re-integration, job skills and legal representation; (3) Provide and facilitate seminars and residential training courses to equip volunteer workers with the skills to do, and to develop more resources for the above; (4) Provide short-term emergency accommodation for vulnerable women.

What the charity does: The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

How the charity works:

Accommodation/housing,Advice/advocacy/information,Counselling/support,Education/training,Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Victim support

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£34,316	£38,484	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Dominic Griffith		
Mr Vincent Leighton		
Mrs Helen Cupples		
Mrs Sandra Johnston		

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Accounts

Company registration number: NI607099

**Solas Trust
Company limited by guarantee**

Unaudited financial statements

30 April 2025

Charity registration number: NIC101627

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Directors and other information

Directors	Mr Dominic Griffith	(Appointed 5 December 2024)
	Mrs Helen Cupples	
	Mr Keith Lockhart	(Resigned 14 June 2025)
	Mr Mike Oman	(Resigned 5 December 2024)
	Mrs Ros Oman	(Resigned 5 December 2024)
	Mrs Sandra Johnston	(Appointed 5 December 2024)
	Mr Vincent Leighton	(Appointed 5 December 2024)

Secretary Mr Mike Oman

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**Solas Trust
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**Directors report
Year ended 30 April 2025**

The directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 April 2025.

Directors

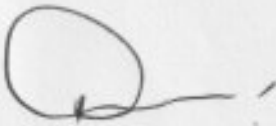
The directors who served the company during the year were as follows:

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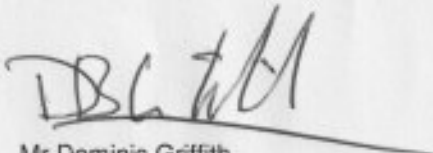
Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the board of directors on 25 July 2025 and signed on behalf of the board by:



Mr Mike Oman
Secretary



Mr Dominic Griffith
Director

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Statement of comprehensive income
Year ended 30 April 2025

	Note			2025	2024
		Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	£	£
				Total Funds	Total Funds
Income		-	33,934	33,934	170,587
Cost of fundraising		-	(8,725)	(8,725)	(7,291)
Administrative expenses		-	(29,759)	(29,759)	(33,100)
Operating (loss)/profit		-	(4,550)	(4,550)	130,196
Other interest receivable and similar income		-	382	382	347
(Loss)/profit before taxation	6.	-	(4,168)	(4,168)	130,543
Tax on (loss)/profit		-	(73)	(73)	(66)
(Loss)/profit for the financial year and total comprehensive income		-	(4,241)	(4,241)	130,477

All the activities of the company are from continuing operations.

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of financial position
30 April 2025

		2025		2024	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7	139,395		133,667	
			139,395		133,667
Current assets					
Debtors	8	118,034		114,000	
Cash at bank and in hand		17,233		30,669	
		135,267		144,669	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,732)		(1,165)	
Net current assets			133,535		143,504
Total assets less current liabilities			272,930		277,171
Net assets			<u>272,930</u>		<u>277,171</u>
Capital and reserves					
Restricted funds			120,000		120,000
Unrestricted funds			152,930		157,171
Members funds			<u>272,930</u>		<u>277,171</u>

For the year ending 30 April 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.


These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with Section 1A of FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of financial position (continued)
30 April 2025

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 25 July 2025, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mr Dominic Griffith
Director

Company registration number: NI607099

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the financial statements
Year ended 30 April 2025

1. General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 45 Cloghskeelt Road, Ballyward, Castlewellan, Co Down, BT31 9QF.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the provisions of FRS 102, Section 1A, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for goods supplied and services rendered, net of discounts and Value Added Tax.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have transferred to the buyer (usually on despatch of the goods); the amount of revenue can be measured reliably; it is probable that the associated economic benefits will flow to the entity; and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transactions can be measured reliably.

Taxation

The taxation expense represents the aggregate amount of current and deferred tax recognised in the reporting period. Tax is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in capital and reserves. In this case, tax is recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in capital and reserves, respectively.

Current tax is recognised on taxable profit for the current and past periods. Current tax is measured at the amounts of tax expected to pay or recover using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences at the reporting date. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Deferred tax is measured using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)
Year ended 30 April 2025

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and are subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in capital and reserves, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrease of the same asset previously recognised in profit or loss. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation is recognised in other comprehensive income to the extent of any previously recognised revaluation increase accumulated in capital and reserves in respect of that asset. Where a revaluation decrease exceeds the accumulated revaluation gains accumulated in capital and reserves in respect of that asset, the excess shall be recognised in profit or loss.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

If there is an indication that there has been a significant change in depreciation rate, useful life or residual value of tangible assets, the depreciation is revised prospectively to reflect the new estimates.

Impairment

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)
Year ended 30 April 2025

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in non-convertible preference shares and non-puttable ordinary shares or preference shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in profit or loss, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets or either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised in profit or loss immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

4. Limited by guarantee

Solas Trust is limited by guarantee and therefore does not have a share capital.

5. Employee numbers

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year amounted to Nil (2024: Nil).

6. Loss/profit before taxation

Loss/profit before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible assets	4,005	1,754

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)
Year ended 30 April 2025

7. Tangible assets

	Long leasehold property £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 May 2024	130,802	13,192	-	143,994
Additions	4,779	909	4,045	9,733
At 30 April 2025	<u>135,581</u>	<u>14,101</u>	<u>4,045</u>	<u>153,727</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 May 2024	-	10,327	-	10,327
Charge for the year	-	2,657	1,348	4,005
At 30 April 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>12,984</u>	<u>1,348</u>	<u>14,332</u>
Carrying amount				
At 30 April 2025	<u>135,581</u>	<u>1,117</u>	<u>2,697</u>	<u>139,395</u>
At 30 April 2024	<u>130,802</u>	<u>2,865</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>133,667</u>

8. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Other debtors	118,034	114,000

9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Corporation tax	73	66
Other creditors	1,659	1,099
	<u>1,732</u>	<u>1,165</u>

10. Restricted funds movement

Solas Trust received £120,000 from Otsar Trust in the year ended 30th April 2024 which is entirely restricted income.

11. Commitments and contingencies

Restricted funds received in note 10 is in respect of the proposed acquisition of premises from Youth With A Mission (Northern Ireland) Limited. The transfer of ownership has not been completed.

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Directors and other information

Directors	Mr Mike Oman Mrs Ros Oman Mr Keith Lockhart Mrs Helen Cupples
Company number	NI607099
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Accountant	Eamonn P. McGrady & Co. 4-6 Market Lane Downpatrick Co Down BT30 6TH
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Directors report
Year ended 30 April 2024

The directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 April 2024.

Directors

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows:

Mr Mike Oman
Mrs Ros Oman
Mr Keith Lockhart
Mrs Helen Cupples

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the board of directors on 27 November 2024 and signed on behalf of the board by:

Mrs Ros Oman
Director

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Statement of comprehensive income
Year ended 30 April 2024

	Note			2024	2023
		Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	£	£
				Total Funds	Total Funds
Income		120,000	50,587	170,587	79,042
Cost of fundraising		-	(7,291)	(7,291)	(7,051)
Administrative expenses		-	(33,100)	(33,100)	(35,246)
Operating profit		120,000	10,196	(40,391)	(42,297)
Other interest receivable and similar income		-	347	347	36
Profit before taxation	6	120,000	10,543	(40,044)	(42,261)
Tax on profit		-	(66)	(66)	-
Profit for the financial year and total comprehensive income		120,000	10,477	(40,110)	(42,261)

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Statement of financial position
30 April 2024

		2024		2023	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7	133,667		113,239	
			133,667		113,239
Current assets					
Debtors	8	114,000		26,795	
Cash at bank and in hand		30,669		9,707	
		144,669		36,502	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,165)		(3,047)	
Net current assets			143,504		33,455
Total assets less current liabilities			277,171		146,694
Net assets			277,171		146,694
Capital and reserves					
Profit and loss account			277,171		146,694
Members funds			277,171		146,694

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Any reversals of impairment are recognised in profit or loss immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

4. Limited by guarantee

Solas Trust is limited by guarantee and therefore does not have a share capital.

5. Employee numbers

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year amounted to Nil (2023: Nil).

6. Profit before taxation

Profit before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible assets	1,754	300

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)
Year ended 30 April 2024

7. Tangible assets

	Long leasehold property £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 May 2023	112,639	9,173	121,812
Additions	18,163	4,019	22,182
At 30 April 2024	<u>130,802</u>	<u>13,192</u>	<u>143,994</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 May 2023	-	8,573	8,573
Charge for the year	-	1,754	1,754
At 30 April 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>10,327</u>	<u>10,327</u>
Carrying amount			
At 30 April 2024	<u>130,802</u>	<u>2,865</u>	<u>133,667</u>
At 30 April 2023	<u>112,639</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>113,239</u>

8. Debtors

	2024 £		2023 £
Other debtors	114,000		26,795
	<u>114,000</u>		<u>26,795</u>

9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £		2023 £
Corporation tax	66		-
Other creditors	1,099		3,047
	<u>1,165</u>		<u>3,047</u>

10. Restricted funds movement

Solas Trust received £120,000 from Otsar Trust which is 100% restricted income.

11. Commitments and contingencies

Restricted funds received in note 10 is in respect of the proposed acquisition of premises from Youth With A Mission (Northern Ireland) Limited. The transfer of ownership has not been completed.

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Annual report



Annual Report for the Year Ended 30 April 2024

Overview

During the year under review we have had the privilege of providing residential care for two survivors of human trafficking for the full period. We have also continued to create awareness of human trafficking informally by word of mouth and through our Charity Shop, and have further strengthened our relational networking with other agencies.

Although we are primarily committed to supporting women, the current situation in Northern Ireland is such that there are now many more men who are survivors of trafficking than there are women. Consequently we have used some of our independent apartments to take in men as well as women. We currently have one man and one woman with us.

Accommodation

The current survivors we cared for came from South America and Central Europe. They came from environments of labour or sexual exploitation. During their time with us they received physical and emotional support, and where appropriate were referred to professional counselling, legal assistance and statutory agencies, and were introduced to a supportive community.

They have both grown in confidence, secure in their identities, and with renewed hope for their futures.

Charity Shop

Our charity shop, which provides a significant part of our financial support, also continues to provide informal awareness about human trafficking and attracts a number of volunteers who want to contribute to this arena. It has also become known as a place of support and encouragement in the local community.

Networking

We continue to maintain networking relationships with a number of human trafficking agencies across the UK. Although we have connection with specific agencies in Bulgaria, The Netherlands, Germany, Hungary and Romania (in order to be able to provide alternative accommodation for women who need to be relocated for their safety, or who need local support when returning to their country of origin, should the need arise) it has not been necessary for us to avail of their services in the past year.

Summary

Our resources continue to be under utilised. We continue to hope that we will see greater advantage taken of what we have to offer in the future.

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Annual return

Solas Trust
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**Report to the board of directors on the preparation of the
unaudited statutory financial statements of Solas Trust
Year ended 30 April 2024**

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, I have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Solas Trust for the year ended 30 April 2024 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position and related notes from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given me.

As a practising member of Chartered Accountants Ireland , I am subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at www.charteredaccountants.ie.

This report is made solely to the board of directors of Solas Trust, as a body, in accordance with the terms of my engagement letter. My work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of Solas Trust and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the board of directors of Solas Trust as a body, in this report in accordance with the requirements of Chartered Accountants Ireland as detailed at www.charteredaccountants.ie. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Solas Trust and its board of directors as a body for my work or for this report.

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Eamonn P. McGrady & Co.
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27 November 2024

Solas Trust

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101627

Accounts

Company registration number: NI607099

Solas Trust
Company limited by guarantee

Unaudited financial statements

30 April 2023

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Directors and other information

Directors

Mr Mike Oman
Mrs Ros Oman
Mr Keith Lockhart
Mrs Helen Cupples

Company number

NI607099

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Directors report
Year ended 30 April 2023

The directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 April 2023.

Directors

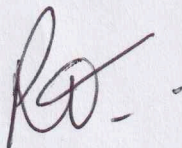
The directors who served the company during the year were as follows:

Mr Mike Oman
Mrs Ros Oman
Mr Keith Lockhart
Mrs Helen Cupples

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the board of directors on 18 October 2023 and signed on behalf of the board by:



Mrs Ros Oman
Director

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**Report to the board of directors on the preparation of the
unaudited statutory financial statements of Solas Trust
Year ended 30 April 2023**

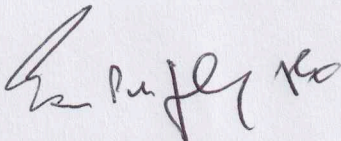
In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, I have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Solas Trust for the year ended 30 April 2023 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position and related notes from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given me.

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18 October 2023

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Statement of comprehensive income
Year ended 30 April 2023

	Note	2023		2022	
		Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Turnover	3	-	79,042	79,042	51,218
Cost of fundraising		-	(7,051)	(7,051)	(7,349)
Administrative expenses		-	(35,246)	(35,246)	(27,693)
Operating profit		-	36,745	36,745	16,176
Other interest receivable and similar income			36	36	1
Interest payable and similar expenses		-	-	-	-
Profit before taxation	6	-	36,781	36,781	16,177
Tax on profit		-	-	-	-
Profit/(loss) for the financial year and total comprehensive income		-	36,781	36,781	16,177

All the activities of the company are from continuing operations.

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of financial position
30 April 2023

	Note	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7	113,239		103,885	
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Current assets					
Debtors	8	26,795		2,268	
Cash at bank and in hand		9,707		8,097	
		36,502		10,365	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(3,047)		(4,337)	
Net current assets			33,455		6,028
Total assets less current liabilities			146,694		109,913
Net assets			146,694		109,913
Capital and reserves					
Profit and loss account			146,694		109,913
Members funds			146,694		109,913

For the year ending 30 April 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

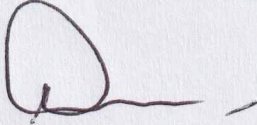
These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with Section 1A of FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

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Statement of financial position (continued)
30 April 2023

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 18 October 2023, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mr Mike Oman
Director

Company registration number: NI607099

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

Solas Trust
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Notes to the financial statements
Year ended 30 April 2023

1. General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 21a Market Street, Downpatrick, Co Down, BT30 6LP.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the provisions of FRS 102, Section 1A, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. The Triennial review 2017 amendments to the standard have been adopted.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for goods supplied and services rendered, net of discounts and Value Added Tax.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have transferred to the buyer (usually on despatch of the goods); the amount of revenue can be measured reliably; it is probable that the associated economic benefits will flow to the entity; and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transactions can be measured reliably.

Taxation

The taxation expense represents the aggregate amount of current and deferred tax recognised in the reporting period. Tax is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in capital and reserves. In this case, tax is recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in capital and reserves, respectively.

Current tax is recognised on taxable profit for the current and past periods. Current tax is measured at the amounts of tax expected to pay or recover using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences at the reporting date. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Deferred tax is measured using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)
Year ended 30 April 2023

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and are subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in capital and reserves, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrease of the same asset previously recognised in profit or loss. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation is recognised in other comprehensive income to the extent of any previously recognised revaluation increase accumulated in capital and reserves in respect of that asset. Where a revaluation decrease exceeds the accumulated revaluation gains accumulated in capital and reserves in respect of that asset, the excess shall be recognised in profit or loss.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

If there is an indication that there has been a significant change in depreciation rate, useful life or residual value of tangible assets, the depreciation is revised prospectively to reflect the new estimates.

Impairment

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)
Year ended 30 April 2023

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in non-convertible preference shares and non-puttable ordinary shares or preference shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in profit or loss, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets or either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised in profit or loss immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

4. Limited by guarantee

Solas Trust is limited by guarantee and therefore does not have a share capital.

5. Employee numbers

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year amounted to Nil (2022: Nil).

6. Profit before taxation

Profit before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible assets	300	-

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)
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7. Tangible assets

	Long leasehold property £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 May 2022	103,885	8,273	112,158
Additions	8,754	900	9,654
At 30 April 2023	<u>112,639</u>	<u>9,173</u>	<u>121,812</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 May 2022	-	8,273	8,273
Charge for the year	-	300	300
At 30 April 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>8,573</u>	<u>8,573</u>
Carrying amount			
At 30 April 2023	<u>112,639</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>113,239</u>
At 30 April 2022	<u>103,885</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>103,885</u>

8. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Other debtors	<u>26,795</u>	<u>2,268</u>

9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Other creditors	<u>3,047</u>	<u>4,337</u>

Solas Trust

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101627

Annual report



Annual Report for the Year Ended 30 April 2023

Overview

During the year under review we have had the privilege of providing residential care for seven survivors of human trafficking, for varying lengths of time, and a family of four Ukrainian refugees. We have also continued to create awareness of human trafficking informally by word of mouth and through our Charity Shop, and have further strengthened our relational networking with other agencies.

Although we are primarily committed to supporting women, the current situation in Northern Ireland is such that there are, as we reported last year, many more men who are survivors of trafficking than there are women. Consequently we have used some of our independent apartments to take in men as well as women. Three of our survivors were women and four were men.

Accommodation

The seven survivors we cared for came from Brazil, Ghana, Lithuania and Northern Ireland. They came from environments of criminal, labour or sexual exploitation. During their time with us they received physical and emotional support, and where appropriate were referred to professional counselling, legal assistance and statutory agencies, and were introduced to a supportive community.

Four have been re-settled in the greater Belfast area, two have returned home to Belfast and one continues with us as they await Justice Department rulings. The Ukrainian family have also settled in Belfast.

Charity Shop

Our charity shop, which provides the greater part of our financial support, also continues to provide informal awareness about human trafficking and attracts a number of volunteers who want to contribute to this arena. It has also become known as a place of support and encouragement in the local community.

Networking

We continue to maintain networking relationships with a number of human trafficking agencies across the UK. Although we have connection with specific agencies in Bulgaria, The Netherlands, Germany, Hungary and Romania (in order to be able to provide alternative accommodation for women who need to be relocated for their safety, or who need local support when returning to their country of origin, should the need arise) it has not been necessary for us to avail of their services in the past year.

Summary

As stated last year, our resources are still under utilised even though we have housed more survivors in the year under review. It is our hope that we will see greater advantage taken of what we have to offer in the future.

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Annual return

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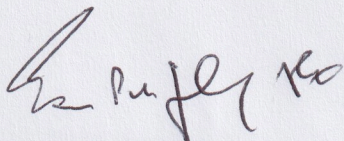
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