Annual Report and Accounts

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global's MAKE SOME NOISE

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A message from our Chair of Board



Dena McCallum

As I reflect on another year as Chair of Trustees at Global's Make Some Noise, I feel incredibly proud of what we have achieved together. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters and partners, we have been able to stand alongside small charities across the UK, so they can support people facing life's toughest challenges.

In a challenging fundraising climate, the entire Global's Make Some Noise team has worked tirelessly to maintain existing and develop new income streams, enabling us to continue investing in the small charity sector to transform lives. This has been critical to our small charity partners, who face increasing demand for their services against a backdrop of rising operating costs and declining public sector support.

This year, we supported 355 charities through funding, skills building, and awareness raising. Of these, our 39 new project grants will deliver direct support to more than 21,000 individuals and positively impact over 51,000 people in communities across the UK. We also continued to stand alongside our current 107 charity partners through funding and dedicated learning and development activity, helping to strengthen their long-term resilience.

Through our Small Charity Week partnership with Big Give and NCVO, we helped 189 charities access over £1.8 million in vital flexible funding, whilst also supporting charities to grow their confidence, profile and fundraising skills.

We continue to invest in strengthening the organisations we fund through our learning and development programme in order to equip charities with the skills, knowledge, and networks they need to thrive and bolster their long-term sustainability. We can see the impact in the numbers, with 8 in 10 of our alumni project charities increasing their income following our work together.

At a time when demand is rising and small charities are facing greater financial pressure, this support has never mattered more. These organisations play an essential role in their communities; they are founded by local people with deep knowledge of the communities they serve, delivering support that is personal, practical and highly effective. That is why Global's Make Some Noise remains so committed to providing funding and support that helps local charities not only meet immediate need but build resilience for the future too.

I want to thank our brilliant team, our charity partners, and every supporter who has made this work possible. Your belief in what we do means we can continue saying "yes" to more charities doing extraordinary work in very challenging circumstances.

Together, we are making a real difference and I am excited about what we can achieve next.



Suzanne Ryder Richardson

A message from our Director

This year has seen extraordinary commitment and creativity from our Global presenters, teams, and partners. From Heart's Amanda Holden enduring a box of snakes, to Jamie Theakston conquering his fear of heights atop a crane, and Pandora Christie performing in the West End, their dedication has been remarkable. Capital's Kem Cetinay united celebrity friends and listeners for a 24-hour padel challenge, while Classic FM's Aled Jones marked 40 years of Walking in the Air by bringing schools and community choirs together nationwide. In Scotland, Heart's Grado completed an epic hand-cycling challenge from Aberdeen to Glasgow. The unwavering support from Global, its talent, and colleagues remains central to our success.

Alongside our refreshed brand, we are also proud to continue working with valued partners such as Furniture Village and Barclaycard, while building new purpose-led partnerships with organisations including Postcode Lottery, giffgaff, Vinterior, and Stagecoach. New campaigns such as Small Charity Week, and events like our Spring Reception, Winter Serenade, and Make Some Noise Night, have helped us expand our community of supporters and increase our impact.

Our enhanced Learning and Development programme continues to provide tailored training, shared insights, and practical tools, empowering charities to build resilience and sustainability. Initiatives like our annual Charity Partners Learning and Development Day, partner-led webinars, and specialist support are helping charities grow stronger and better equipped for future challenges.

Looking ahead, we see real opportunities to build on this momentum; developing our events portfolio, strengthening partnerships, and engaging new audiences. As demand for our funding grows, so too does our ambition to increase income, and support more charities.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to the year ahead as we continue working together to change even more lives and ensure no one faces life's toughest challenges alone.

Supported a total of

355 small charities

across the UK with funds, skills building and awareness raising

Committed
39
new 2-year project grants

Awarded
209
new core grants

Touched the lives of
128,500+
people

Supported our charity partners to build skills through
15
learning sessions

Provided furniture, special outings and toys to the value of
£24,320
in partner gifts-in-kind for charities



Who are we?

Our objectives and activities

At Global's Make Some Noise, we believe that no one should face life's toughest challenges alone.

We fund vital projects that are there for people when life gets really hard - whether they're families facing a life-limiting illness, someone struggling with their mental health, facing domestic abuse, at risk of homelessness or finding it impossible to make ends meet. These local services are lifelines in their communities, stepping in when there is nowhere else to turn.

Global's Make Some Noise funding helps these projects and the small charities behind them to go further and last longer. We don't just provide money - we give them the tools, training and backing they need to grow and keep supporting more people every day.

We shout about the causes and voices that often go unheard through Global's much-loved radio stations, including Heart, Capital, Smooth, Classic FM, LBC, Radio X, Capital XTRA and Gold Radio as well as Global's extensive outdoor and podcast portfolio. By sharing real stories from the charities we support, we help raise awareness, drive change, and let people know that no matter how they are struggling, they are not alone.

Since 2014 we've supported over 755 charities and impacted the lives of over 851,000 people across the UK.

"The Songs & Smiles sessions are the highlight of my week. Seeing the children's faces and singing along with them brings back so many happy memories. It's wonderful to feel part of something so special."

Ciprian, The Together Project CIO, London

"I feel more confident in myself. I enjoyed the environment and activities, making new friends and I have felt able to socialise better and get out of my own head with negative thoughts."

Person supported by Young People's Shop, Chichester

How we create impact

Our impact framework

Our mission: Ensuring no one across the UK faces life's toughest challenges alone

Our vision is for everyone to	FEEL SAFE	FEEL WELL	FEEL PREPARED	FEEL INCLUDED
By	Providing shelter & safety	Supporting physical & mental health	Developing life skills	Preventing isolation & loneliness
To impact	Increased safety	Increased mental & physical health & wellbeing	Increased employment & personal skills, development & independence	Reduced loneliness & improved inclusion
We support projects addressing	Homelessness; Domestic violence; Trauma; Assault & Stigmatisation	Illness; Mental & physical health; Trauma; Poverty; Disability	Employment skills, digital exclusion	Carers; Social injustice; Neurodiversity; Social exclusion
Through our programmes	Grants; Awareness; Learning			

The ways we support

We support charities with funding in two main ways. We provide two-year project funding to help organisations plan their front-line activities with confidence and deliver meaningful outcomes over time. Additionally, we offer one-off small grants that give charities a timely boost helping them strengthen sustainability and resilience, respond to immediate needs, and build capacity for the future.

Alongside our grants, we help charities build the knowledge, skills and strength they need so they can continue showing up for people when it matters most. We also use our platform to shine a light on the extraordinary work of small charities, sharing the stories of the people and communities they support across the UK.



Working in the heart of communities

Small, local charities are at the heart of the life-changing work we support. Often founded by people with lived experience, they are deeply embedded in their communities, understand local needs first-hand, and can respond quickly when circumstances change.

They build trusted relationships and deliver vital support where it's needed most, when it is needed most. They build safe spaces, strong relationships and vital networks of support, often reaching people who might otherwise be overlooked. For many, they are not just service providers — they are lifelines.

Small charities make up 85% of the UK voluntary sector yet receive only around 12% of its income. (Charity Commission for England & Wales)

That is why our support matters. By backing small charities, we are backing the organisations best placed to understand local need, respond with compassion and flexibility, and create lasting change in communities across the UK.

As demand for our funding grows, so does our ambition to increase income and support more charities.

"Last year I found myself in a homeless situation and your organisation helped me greatly throughout that difficult time. I am grateful now to be in a lovely one bedroom Council house in Troon, with friendly neighbours and good transport links to Ayr, Prestwick and Irvine. Your support, both practical and emotional, is something I will always remember."

Person supported by the SeAscape, Ayr

Our impact across the UK

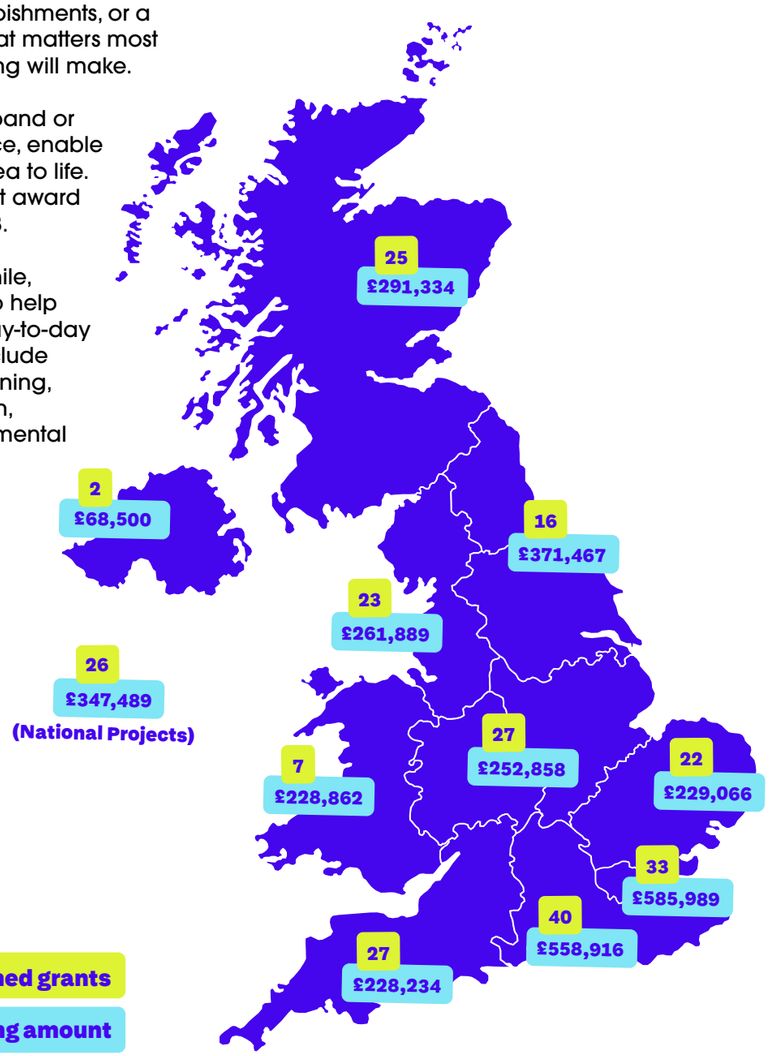
Our project grants support key activities within a charity, whether that's a specific service, programme, or distinct area of delivery, for a period of up to two years.

Charities can apply for funding to cover a wide range of programme costs, including essential staff roles, service delivery, equipment, refurbishments, or a combination of these. What matters most is the difference the funding will make.

The work funded may expand or develop an existing service, enable growth, or bring a new idea to life. Our average Project Grant award (over two years) is £62,888.

Our Core Grants, meanwhile, provide flexible funding to help charities manage their day-to-day running costs. This can include expenses such as staff training, rent, utilities, administration, systems, and other fundamental operational needs.

By supporting these essential foundations, Core Grants play a crucial role in helping the recipient charities remain resilient and continue serving their communities effectively. Our Core Grant award ranges between £500 and £10,000.



Combined grants

Combined funding amount

Lack of Opportunity

"Thank you for all your support. Global's Make Some Noise have done so much more than provide funding for us. They have been an active supporter providing us with training and numerous opportunities for engagement."

Stuart Long, Achieve Thrive, Flourish, Southend

Homelessness

"Choir has given me confidence and friendship and helps me a lot with my mental health issues. I feel I have a purpose and my life has meaning. The choir lifts my mood and I feel a lot better afterwards. It is a safe place where I can be myself with no judgement."

Choir member, Choir With No Name, National

Carers

"For young people like myself, Hart and Rushmoor Young Carers is far more than a place to go - it's a lifeline. I care for my mum (...) What makes this charity so special is the safe and understanding environment they offer. It's a space where young carers can be around others who truly understand the daily challenges we face."

Young Carer supported by Hart Voluntary Action, Fleet

Bereavement

"I couldn't have done it without your support and the coffee morning, there's nothing else like it. You gave me hope when I didn't even want to carry on without my son."

Bereaved mum supported by Aching Arms, Brentwood

Illness

"Sometimes as a CHD (Coronary Heart Disease) parent you have to put on a brave face. In this group (...) you can cry and let it out, because you're in a safe space. No one will pity you, no one will say I can't imagine what you're going through. They say 'we know how you're feeling, we have been there before' or 'we feel the same way.' And those words mean more."

Parent, Tiny Tickers, Leeds

Inclusion/Loneliness

"The children always put a smile on my face, it's such a joy to be able to interact with the young generation, it makes my day!"

Care Home Resident, The Together Project CIO, London

Mental Health

"Nai's house has helped me so much because it makes me feel like I'm not alone and people can relate to my situation and emotions, it makes me feel very validated."

Young Person supported by Nai's House CIO, Bicester

Poverty

"The positive impact of our grant on our community is just incredible. We have expanded our provision and can now support far more vulnerable families and ensure more children are school-ready and have equality of access to positive childhood experiences. Thank you (...); you are amazing."

Tracey Hamilton, The Spring Charity, Northampton

Disability

"The support Playskill has received from Global's Make Some Noise has been incredible. We've been able to fund life changing support for physically disabled children."

Stephanie Mitchell, Playskill, Hemel Hempstead

Abuse/Trauma

"We been able to offer enhanced support to survivors with increased complexity of need, enabling them to better engage with our own and other services. Providing more survivors with access to our services."

Hollie Venn, Sheffield Women's Aid, Sheffield



Phil

Globals' Make Some Noise funded the 'Still Dad's' project at The Lily-Mae Foundation for two years with £64,600. 'Still Dad's' bereavement programme particularly supports dads following the loss of a baby.

Scan for Phil's Story

When Charlotte was pregnant, we were just like any other parents-to-be, excited, hopeful, and planning for the future. At our 20-week scan we found out we were having a boy, and I was over the moon. But at a follow-up scan, everything changed. We were told our son, Jaxon, had Edwards syndrome and that there were serious concerns about his health. All the plans we'd made disappeared in an instant.

We decided that whatever time we had with Jaxon, we would fill it with love. We were incredibly lucky to have 22 days with him. We chose to bring him home, so he would know only our home, our bed, and our family. Those 22 days were the best days of my life, even though it still feels like we were robbed of so much more.

During Charlotte's scans, we were introduced to The Lily-Mae Foundation, a charity run by bereaved parents who truly understood what we were facing. After Jaxon died, that support became vital. Friends and family were there for us, but they couldn't fully understand. Speaking to people who had lived through the same loss helped me realise that my thoughts and feelings were normal.

The charity gave us a community we never wanted to join, but now couldn't live without. It supported our relationship, helped me open up as a dad, and reminded us that we weren't alone.

Dani & Nuno

Global's Make Some Noise funded two years of music therapy for children on a paediatric intensive care unit. The £45,070 grant allowed George's Rockstars to start serving a new hospital - Southampton Children's Hospital - and support more families.

Before Nuno got sick, he was our laid-back, cuddly baby - the youngest of four and completely adored by his siblings. When he was eight months old, everything changed. He became unwell and we were sent to A&E. His blood tests came back abnormal and we ended up spending five weeks in hospital while doctors ran every test imaginable.

Eventually, they found a rare form of leukaemia (AML). By the time treatment started, Nuno was really poorly - he was in pain, on morphine, and being tube fed.

We stayed in hospital from the end of April until December for four rounds of chemotherapy. Weekends and isolation were the hardest - sometimes we couldn't even leave the room. Nuno started to fear anyone coming through the door because it usually meant needles, tests, or more procedures.

Then we met Louise through George's Rockstars. I'll admit, at first I was sceptical about music therapy. But the first session changed everything. Nuno lit up in a way we hadn't seen for months - reaching for the guitar, watching, listening, properly engaged and for a while he wasn't "the sick baby". Louise became the one person he didn't fear. He'd spot her in the corridor and crawl to find her.

Those sessions brought Nuno joy, stimulation, and trust when so much of hospital life was scary - and they helped all of us get through one week at a time.

Scan for Dani & Nuno's story



How our support goes further

Needs-led funding

We also work with partners to shape joint funding initiatives, informed by what charities are telling us they need This enables flexibility and long-term sustainability, driving real outcomes for people across communities.

Our new 2025 Small Charity Week collaboration with Big Give, NCVO and Postcode Lottery demonstrated the power of funding partnerships. By combining our strengths and aligning our resources, the match-funding initiative unlocked £1.8 million of flexible core funding for 189 small charities across England and Scotland. This approach not only maximised the impact of collective investment but also helped 98% of charities grow their reach, deepen supporter engagement and build their fundraising capability - laying the foundations for even more sustainable impact in the years ahead, by providing flexible funding aligned to real organisational and community need.

"Flexibility is the most important thing – sometimes we find something that would be better to spend money on and the flexibility to change this is really valuable - this comes from having a strong relationship"

Charity Partner

"Your impact went twice as far in supporting LGBTQ mental health. Together, with our other donors, your match funding helped us raise nearly £9,772. This means the campaign has paved way for us to facilitate over 480 counselling sessions to those in need."

Kabir Mehta, MindOut, Brighton

"Match funding inspired existing supporters to give more generously. It also allowed us to start conversations with potential major donors about high-impact giving opportunities."

Forever Colours Children's Hospice, Buckinghamshire

Collective strength, shared learning

Charities in our network benefit from shared insight, awareness, and skills building - ensuring our support contributes not just to funding, but to long-term resilience and knowledge.

A highlight of the year was our annual in-person 'Charity Partners Learning and Development Day' at the London Transport Museum, where 63 charity partners came together for a day of learning, connection, and practical development reinforcing our commitment to investing in the people behind the projects.

Our expanded online offer included partner-led learning, an evaluation and impact programme with NCVO, charity finance support, and a second year of our AI webinar. Feedback consistently highlights the value of flexible, high-quality learning that supports long-term resilience.

"(...) opportunities like this training set you apart from many other funders. The fact that you continue to invest in helping organisations grow and learn really shows your commitment. I just wanted you to know that it's noticed and genuinely appreciated."

Stephen Collings, Tang Hall Community Centre, York

"This is the first time I have experienced a funder showing such an interest in its grantee's and providing an event that connects charities to each other and offers relevant and informative workshops, whilst also reinforcing the value of funder/grantee relationships and making it clear that you really do want to support us all."

Gem Barrett, Nai's House, Bicester

Awareness raising

We lean into Global's incredible on-air, podcast and outdoor reach to give a national platform to the people supported by the charities we fund, bringing national profile and public engagement with audiences across the country - ensuring our support has visibility and scale. By amplifying the voices of charities and the people they support, we help raise public awareness, challenge misconceptions, and bring greater visibility to often overlooked causes. This reach enables vital stories to be heard at scale - driving engagement, understanding and support well beyond the funding itself.

"The best thing about being part of Global's Make Some Noise was the incredible exposure and support for our cause. The campaign provided us with a platform to reach a wider audience, raise awareness, and connect with individuals who truly cared about the work we do. Being a chosen charity validated our work and we are so grateful!"

Rosa Barrat, Allsorts Gloucester, Stroud

Achievements and performance

"When we talk about 4.5 million children growing up in poverty, this isn't just a statistic, each one is a story of a real life, real pain, and real need. Behind every headline statistic is someone struggling - whether it's a young person affected by knife crime, an older adult facing days of loneliness, or someone living in fear of domestic abuse. These problems are happening in every corner of the UK. And while the headlines may move on, it's the projects funded by Global's Make Some Noise that stay, that show up, and that make a real difference - offering lifelines where they're needed most."

Emily Maitlis

Feedback from our charity partners

(...) We are so grateful to you for everything you did in supporting our mission, and for the likes, shares and support across social media you showed us throughout the campaign. Because of your vital support and awareness raising, more parents will have the space to stop surviving and finally exhale. Because of you, more parents will be given the Power to Be.

Parenting Mental health, Birmingham



It's been a real privilege for Myotubular Trust to have been so wonderfully supported by Global's Make Some Noise over the years - I cannot put into words what a difference the support has meant to us and ultimately to our community.

Myotubular Trust, London

Thanks very much for all your support over the past two years. Global's Make Some Noise has absolutely transformed the lives of all the disabled people that participated in our TRACK programme, here in North Lanarkshire. We would love to be considered again for support, the programme was a such a success!

Paragon Music, Glasgow





(...) Global's Make Some Noise have already been unbelievably generous with your much-valued financial support, and then this training day you kindly put on for us was just incredible; informative, insightful, inspiring, uplifting - and really good fun!

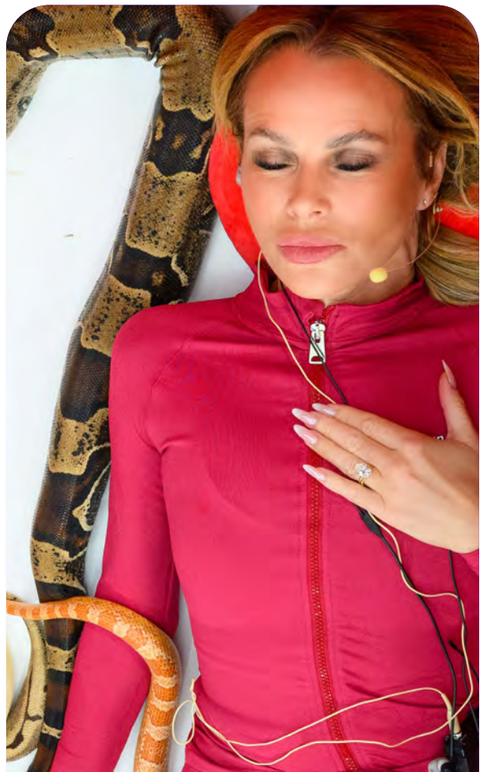
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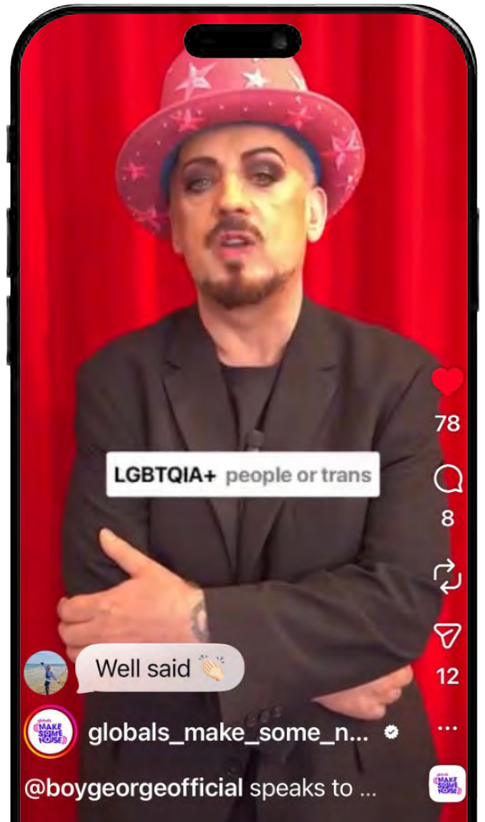


Raising awareness

Turning up the volume on important conversations

Global reaches 51 million individuals across the UK each week via radio, Global Player, Podcasts, digital and outdoor platforms. Working with Global's radio stations and trusted brands including Capital, Heart, Classic FM, LBC, Smooth, Radio X, Capital XTRA, Gold and the Global Studios podcasts, we brought the issues that charities are tackling into the national conversation.

Working alongside Global's brand teams and on-air talent, we use the power of radio and podcast to give a national platform to the people behind the projects we fund, sharing their stories in their own words and bringing the challenges they face to life for audiences across the country.



Our annual public Appeal brings this approach together, combining fundraising with high-profile awareness-raising across Global's platforms. During the October 2025 Appeal and at key moments throughout the year, these issues were heard by audiences nationwide, with all Global brands uniting around a shared day of giving through charity storytelling, presenter challenges, podcasts and live fundraising activity.



Across Global, Make Some Noise Day was supported by the whole organisation, with fundraising activities including dog shows, talent shows, auctions and raffles to enable all Global staff to come together to both support and enjoy the day.

Global also supported across the year with fundraising and awareness activities, for example through donations and content through Capital's Summertime Ball and Capital's Jingle Bell Ball.

Classic FM's Aled Jones and Alexander Armstrong also hosted a very special evening in aid of Make Some Noise to celebrate 40 years of 'Walking in the Air'. The Winter Serenade raised £128,014 thanks to support from Heather Porter and a wonderful Event Committee who helped curate a special evening of song and fundraising amongst the stunning backdrop of Spencer House.

Our partners

Our generous partners have contributed hugely to our fundraising goals this year, with sponsorship, prize donations, and support for our campaign activity. We are grateful for their support and love finding new ways of working together that highlight their brand values.

Furniture Village continued its support in 2025 as our Headline Appeal Sponsor and Winter Giving partner, with The Big Christmas Chorus with Aled Jones at the heart of the campaign. Championing community spirit, they drove outstanding support through a fully integrated, year-round partnership - spanning on-air activity, in-store fundraising and employee engagement. Their teams truly made some noise, going above and beyond to support our cause. This collective effort played a vital role in delivering a record-breaking fundraising total, helping provide life-changing support to communities across the UK.

Disney's Hercules brought the magic of the West End to audiences across the UK. Inspired by the show's epic themes, Heart Breakfast presenters took on a series of Herculean challenges - creating standout on-air moments that captured the spirit of determination, strength and teamwork. Blending bold storytelling, presenter-led content and cultural relevance, the partnership connected the excitement of live theatre with Heart's signature feel-good energy, all in support of Make Some Noise.

PureGym powered one of 2025's standout charity challenges, Kem Cetinay's epic 24 Hour Padel Challenge. Their backing helped drive a high-energy, content-rich fundraising campaign - bringing audiences together and reflecting their "Here For It" spirit, supporting people to feel good, do good and go further for communities in need.

Digby Brown returned as a proud partner for 2025, backing Grado's incredible Granite to Glasgow challenge on Heart Scotland - one of the year's most inspiring fundraising feats. Their ongoing commitment helped bring this powerful on-air activation to life, resonating with audiences across Scotland and furthering support for local charities close to people's hearts.



Our continued partnership with Hyde Park Winter Wonderland delivered festive joy for our beneficiaries at Winter Wishes Day, brought to life with bespoke content and celebration during the Christmas period. The collaboration was about memorable moments as much as giving back, creating special experiences for supported families in a magical winter setting.

giffgaff and Vinterior partnered with Global's Make Some Noise through purpose-led partnerships, championing sustainability. Both giffgaff and Vinterior are committed to a circular economy, and the activations therefore focused on giving products, resources and opportunities a second life - from encouraging more sustainable tech choices to celebrating preloved furniture. Through impactful storytelling and meaningful fundraising, the individual campaigns highlighted how small, conscious decisions can create positive change for people, communities and the planet, while helping to fund vital support for those who need it most.





Big Feastival
ALEX JAMES' FARM, THE COTSWOLDS 22 - 24 AUGUST 2025

We've worked with Big Feastival since 2024, focusing on regional on-air presence and collaborative content across social channels to amplify reach for both the festival and the charity. By aligning with local projects and unlocking airtime value, the partnership continues to deliver mutual benefit. Big Feastival also supports Make Some Noise through its wider fundraising activity and ticketing initiatives, helping to drive vital funds and awareness.

POSTCODE LOTTERY

Global's Make Some Noise was proud to be a leading partner for Small Charity Week in 2025, championing the incredible work of small charities across the UK. With Postcode Lottery as our Headline Partner, we reached over 23 million people online and, thanks to that amazing support, raised an outstanding £1,839,739 for 189 small charities.



Stagecoach
we've got you

With the aim of driving change together in 2025 and beyond, we were thrilled to welcome Stagecoach and Hillier Hopkins as new partners. They join our long-standing supporters Berryplants and English Tea Shop in choosing Make Some Noise as their Charity of the Year.

Building on last year's success, we again teamed up with Shaftesbury Capital over the Winter period with participation from not one, but two of the West End's most iconic destinations - Covent Garden and Carnaby Street. Amplified through an epic on-air prize giveaway and Global talent participation in switching on the Covent Garden Christmas Lights, our growing partnership helped unlock £80,000 for Global's Make Some Noise.



Every year on September 11th BGC Charity Day honours the employees who died in the attacks on the World Trade Centre in New York City. This day is their positive legacy as BGC donate 100% of their global revenues to many charities around the world. BGC selected us as one of their charity partners for their Charity Trading Day, so we took Joel Corry along to help take calls from their clients.

Our generous prize donors including Kenwood Travel, Sandals, Thomas Cook, BYD, Santa's Lapland, NDL Group, Avani Hotels and Resorts, Vertu and Princess Cruises, supported us in raising an incredible £447,676 across the year, giving amazing prizes such as holidays, a car and 'money can't buy' musical memorabilia.



If you would like to partner with us to help change even more lives with your brand, get in touch at: partnerships@makesomenoise.com

Our events

Another year of exciting events helped us welcome new supporters, and raise vital funds. Our growing events portfolio continues to expand our reach and deepen engagement with our community.

In its second year, the Spring Reception, hosted at the House of Lords, was a great way to celebrate our successes with supporters, partners and Globallers to make it all possible.

Our gala Global's Make Some Noise Night supported by Barclaycard, was a huge success raising more than £1.2million. Bringing together a wonderful community of friends and supporters, including Betvictor, Delta, Coutts, GFI Group, Mishcon de Reya and Mail Metro amongst many others. It was a glamorous and unforgettable evening, filled with laughter, generosity during our show stopping Auction, and world class entertainment. Guests enjoyed playing our fundraising game with the Capital Breakfast team and hearing more about our work from Heart's Jamie Theakston and LBC's James O'Brien, before dancing the night away to surprise performances from Adam Lambert, Cat Burns, Craig David and Lucy The Pianist. Lucy had previously been supported by Childhood Eye Cancer Trust in 2018 through a Global's Make Some Noise funded project.

We were also thrilled to launch a brand new event, The Winter Serenade. A beautiful intimate evening of fundraising and music led by our dedicated committee co-chaired by Aled Jones and Heather Porter. Held in the stunning surroundings of Spencer House, this special evening celebrated the 40th anniversary of The Snowman, and made all the more magical by a wonderful duet from Classic FM's Aled Jones and Alexander Armstrong, accompanied by Classic FM's Composer in Residence Debbie Wiseman on piano.

As we look ahead, we are excited to continue growing our event portfolio, to help us welcome new supporters, strengthen lasting relationships and raise vital funds.













Community fundraising

Our supporters demonstrated amazing commitment to our cause again this year, undertaking challenging fundraising activities to boost donations and help us to change even more lives.

They got involved in major events like the London Marathon, the Great North Run, alongside numerous personal challenges like a siblings triathlon team and a 20+ mile 'Kiltwalk'!





One exceptional fundraiser, Ioana Barbu, took on the whole Beyond the Ultimate Global Race Series – the 4 hardest ultras in the world in extreme environments (Arctic, Jungle, Mountain, Desert), plus two other legendary ultras (Rangers, Highland).











Driving sustainable growth for greater impact

Life can change in a moment. When things get tough, knowing you're not on your own makes all the difference. Global's Make Some Noise changes lives to make sure no one faces life's toughest challenges alone. This year we directly changed people's lives through our small charity partners. Delivering impact through grant funding, awareness raising and long-term capability building.

Our grants have supported vital projects across the UK, helping people access practical, emotional and physical support in their moment of need.

Through Global's radio, podcast and Outdoor platforms, we continue to raise awareness at scale, connecting audiences with the causes we support, normalising conversations around the challenges affecting people across the UK, and driving the fundraising that supports our work.

We are also developing new income streams and broadening our supporter base, with the ambition of enabling us to say "yes" to more small charities.

Our commitment extends beyond funding. Through our Learning and Development offer and wider Grants+ initiatives, we strengthen the long-term sustainability of the charities we fund supporting them to create lasting change in their communities.

In a climate of rising costs and increasing demand, we continue to review our approach to ensure we remain both responsive and responsible, directing funds where they will have the greatest impact. Looking ahead, we remain focused on delivering sustainable growth for greater impact, allowing us to change even more lives by funding even more projects so that nobody is left to face life's toughest challenges alone.

Financial review

Financial position

Group income from the Charity's fundraising activities for the year, excluding Gifts in Kind, was £4,584k (2024/25: £4,651k). Related non-grant expenditure was £1,712k (2024/25: £1,556k) and grant awards were £3,416k (2024/25: £3,090k), resulting in a deficit of £544k (2024/25: £5k surplus). The deficit for the year reflects a conscious decision by the Trustees to utilise excess reserves. This approach was taken in line with the Charity's reserves policy, enabling the Charity to deploy more funds in support of its charitable objectives.

The Charity additionally recognised £2,174k (2024/25: £2,113k) of Gifts in Kind (GIK) from Global Media Group Services Limited ("Global", "GMGSL"), giving total group income of £6,758k (2024/25: £6,764k). This support enables the Charity to raise awareness of the organisations and projects it supports by using Global's platforms to highlight issues that often do not receive sufficient public attention. Global supports the Charity through storytelling and access to an audience of over 51 million a week across commercial radio platforms, Global Player and Global's outdoor media. Global's support also enables the Charity to deliver its Learning and Development programmes, provide key operational support including office space and equipment, support major event delivery moments, and engage key partners in support of fundraising.

The Board of Trustees will continue to monitor the performance of the Charity's fundraising initiatives and consider ways of maximising return on investment. Trustees also keep charitable spending under review to ensure resources are used effectively in furtherance of the Charity's objectives.

Reserves policy

Total funds carried forward are £1,071k (2024/25: £1,615k), comprising £1,064k (2024/25: £1,615k) of free reserves and £7k (2024/25: £nil) of restricted reserves.

The Trustees maintain a minimum reserves policy of six months of operating costs, which current free reserves are above. The Trustees will continue to review this requirement annually.

Investment policy

The Charity's policy is to consider placing funds into an investment portfolio only where excess cash balances exceed £5m. Below this threshold, the Charity uses short-term deposits of up to 12 months to maximise interest income for charitable purposes.



Grant-making policy

The Charity awards grants to eligible organisations whose work furthers the Charity's public benefit objectives. The Charity is committed to the highest standards of grant-making governance. All of the charities supported are UK based small organisations, each with annual income of under £1million, providing critical help for some of the most vulnerable people in society.

The Charity's grant-making criteria set out the activities the Board wishes to support in furtherance of the Charity's objectives. The Trustees recognise that, on occasion, the Charity may make grants outside the published criteria. In such cases, the activity supported must be charitable in law, approved by the Board and consistent with the Charity's grant-making policy.

Information on current beneficiaries, forthcoming grant awards and current criteria is available on the Charity's website www.makesomenoise.com. A copy of the full Grants Policy is available on request from the Operations team at grants@makesomenoise.com. In addition to its standard grant programmes, the Charity supported a Small Charity Week grants programme during the year. These match-funded awards enabled much smaller organisations, outside the Charity's usual published size criteria, to apply for grants from £500 to £10,000. Further information on the programme and criteria is available via the Small Charity Week website.

There are no fixed limits on grant amounts. However, the typical award size is £60k-£70k for two-year project grants and £5k-£10k for core grants, consistent with the Charity's aim of supporting smaller charities. The average two-year project award made this year was £63k.

The Charity is signed up to the Institute for Voluntary Action Research's (IVAR) open and trusting grant-making principles, demonstrating its commitment to reducing bureaucracy, being transparent, and fostering strong relationships with grantees.

Key stages in making awards through our standard project grants programme are as follows:

- Expression of Interest by prospective applicants on the Charity website, www.makesomenoise.com and nominations from Global staff or Charity partners
- Assessment against eligibility criteria by Charity staff and subsequent short-listing of prospective applicants.
- Shortlisted applicants invited to apply within a stated timeframe, and those not successful informed.
- Submission of application forms by those shortlisted.
- Review of applications and due diligence by the GMSN team, which recommends a shortlist for panel review.
- Review and assessment of applications by Charity Grants Panels in line with approved grant-making criteria and risk management.
- Recommendations by Grants Panels submitted to the Board of Trustees for ratification.

The Board and the Grants Panels are guided in their recommendations by the Charity's Operations team and by criteria and conditions designed to ensure that funds awarded are used in line with the Charity's objectives and in the best interests of intended beneficiaries.

Charity partners are required to accept the Charity's Terms & Conditions, complete a project report and provide receipts and other payment details on request to ensure grant funding is spent as intended. Large grant awards are normally paid in instalments, contingent on satisfactory delivery in line with the Terms & Conditions. At the end of the funding period, Charity partners and their beneficiaries are required to complete a detailed evaluation, which is used in the Charity's impact reporting.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document and constitution

Capital Charities Limited was incorporated on 23rd January 2002 and began trading on 29th June 2002. On 4th May 2006, the Charity changed its name to GCap Charities Limited, and on 16th October 2008 it changed its name to Global Charities following the acquisition of GCap Media plc by Global Radio Limited in June 2008.Other historical working names include Help A Capital Child, Help A London Child and The Classic FM Foundation. Since 2014, Global's Make Some Noise has been the Charity's main operating name.

Global Charities is a company limited by guarantee (number 4359098) and a registered charity (number 1091657 – England & Wales and SCO41475 – Scotland). Its governing instrument is its Memorandum and Articles of Association. It does not have issued share capital and, as such, the ultimate control of the Charity is vested in its members of which there is one, Global Radio Limited. The member delegates the running of the Charity and the safeguarding of its assets to the Trustees who are charged with the governance of the Charity.

Our charitable objectives

The objectives of the Charity are to relieve poverty, hardship, or distress and to promote the physical or mental welfare of children, young people or adults in need of support, care and attention, and any such other object or purpose as is charitable under UK law.

Sustainability

The Charity is gifted office space by Global and benefits from Global's wider commitment to sustainable business practices and reducing carbon emissions. Environmental sustainability is a core pillar of Global Goodness, Global's social responsibility and sustainability programme, and the Charity is supported by this broader approach.

The Charity seeks to minimise its environmental impact through its day-to-day operations, events and materials. Charity products, fundraising and marketing materials are made using sustainable, recycled and Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)-certified materials where possible. The Charity avoids single-use products and selects packaging carefully to reduce unnecessary waste. The Charity works closely with its supply chain to support compliance with relevant ethical standards, including Global's Modern Slavery policy, and seeks where possible to minimise transportation distances. The Charity does not own any vehicles.

Commitment to good governance

The Board of Trustees uses the Charity Governance Code as a tool for continuous improvement and applies its principles and recommended practice across all areas of the Code.

Diversity objectives

The Trustees commit to:

- Annually assessing the Board's skills, experiences, and diversity of backgrounds, and establishing their needs in achieving more effective decision-making
- Taking a proactive approach in attracting diverse candidates i.e., ensuring the role description is bias-free and any vacancies are advertised across multiple channels, as well as accepting that the 'right' candidate may take time
- Making a conscious effort to be fair to all candidates – this includes interviewers making themselves aware of unconscious bias as well as recruiting for potential, not perfection
- Ensuring support structures are in place for all Board members such as identifying a Board 'buddy', paying for reasonable expenses, and periodically reviewing Board practices (e.g. time/ location of meetings, technology used to communicate and present papers)
- Reviewing and learning from experience of attracting, continuously engaging and retaining a diverse Trustee Board

The Charity also benefits from Global's wider equality, diversity and inclusion networks and committees, and members of the Charity team are encouraged to engage with these groups. The Charity seeks to ensure that its grant portfolio reflects the communities it aims to support and that it reaches organisations which may otherwise be marginalised or deterred from applying.

Trustees - recruitment appointment and training

The Board of Trustees consists of senior leaders within Global and external Trustees, ensuring balanced decision making. To reduce potential conflict of interest in decision making, the Chair of Trustees and the Treasurer are always external appointments.

The recruitment process for Trustees involves a formal application to the Chair, an interview with the Chair and the Director of Global Charities, and approval by the full Board of Trustees. A focused Nominations Committee with Trustee representation also supports Trustee recruitment. New Trustees must be eligible to join the Board and fill an existing skills gap. The Board looks to recruit across a range of backgrounds and experience. Internal Trustees are recruited from senior staff within Global to ensure the Charity is well integrated with the business. External Trustees are recruited in an open application process.

New Trustees are provided with an induction and relevant training. The induction pack includes the Charity's governing documents, historical financial information and the business plan, as well as guidance on the roles and responsibilities of general trusteeship, sub-committees and individual roles, such as Treasurer or Chair. In addition, the Director of Global Charities provides an overview of the Charity's performance, grant-making and staffing structures.



Organisational Structure

The Trustees meet quarterly to review the Charity's performance and make any decisions necessary to its governance. The sole member of the charitable company, Global Radio Limited, is formally represented at these meetings by the Director of Global Charities. The Director reports to the Chair of Trustees and to Sally Cairns, Global's Chief People Officer. Simon Pitts, Group CEO, is updated regularly by the Director of Global Charities and Chief People Officer and may attend any Trustee meetings.

The Trustees delegate the day-to-day management of the Charity to the Director of Global Charities. The Charity employs a small team of staff in London and relies on support from Global to carry out its work.

The table below shows attendance at Trustee and Finance Committee meetings.

Name	No. eligible Trustee meetings	No. attended	No. eligible finance committee meetings	No. attended
Dena McCallum	4	4	4	4
David Bletso	4	4	4	4
Shalni Sood	4	4	4	4
Ulrika Högberg	4	4	-	-
Marcia Asare	4	4	-	-
Greg Levine	4	3	-	-
Zoe Cadman	4	4	-	-
Mickelle Roberts	4	3	-	-
Sally Ardis	3	3	-	-
Sally Cairns	4	3	-	-
Mark Findlay	1	-	-	-

Remuneration policy

The Charity is committed to making sure that employees are paid fairly and in a way that helps attract and retain talented people in order to have the greatest impact in delivering its charitable objectives.
In accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), the Charity:

- Discloses all payments to Trustees (no Trustees receive 'pay', but the Charity does reimburse reasonable expenses)
- Discloses the number of employees paid more than £60k pa (in bands of £10k)
- Discloses pensions and other benefits given to employees

The Charity's Finance Committee meets four times per year and is comprised of the Treasurer and two other Trustees, the Director of Global Charities, the Fundraising and Marketing Director, and the Head of Finance and Governance. Annually, ahead of the annual pay review, the Nominations Committee, which includes members of the Finance Committee, reviews Global's rewards and pay review approach and considers whether it is appropriate for the Charity team. The Committee agrees policy regarding pay and the basis for annual increases in pay. The Committee then makes recommendations to the Board for approval. The Charity is committed to paying at least the National Living Wage to all employees and interns and aligns to Global's pay policies. No employee remuneration includes share options or long-term incentive schemes. The pension provisions for the Director of Global Charities and the Senior Management Team are on the same terms as other employees. Auto enrolment takes place in line with pension legislation.

Related parties

The Charity has a trading subsidiary called Global Charities (Trading) Limited, whose principal activity is to contribute to the fundraising for the Charity. This company arranged a number of fundraising events and initiatives, some in partnership with companies wishing to support the Charity. The trading company was able to make a donation under gift aid of £708k (2024/25: £762k) representing its taxable profits.

Internal controls and risk management

The Trustees are responsible for ensuring that the Charity has appropriate systems of control in place to provide reasonable assurance that it is operating effectively and in accordance with Charity Commission guidance.

The systems of financial control were continually reviewed and improved where necessary during the year to provide reasonable assurance against material misstatement or loss.

A full annual planning and budgeting process is in place and the Charity has a Risk Register, which is regularly reviewed throughout the year; it identifies the most significant risks to the implementation of the strategy, orders them by likelihood of occurrence and their impact, and indicates what action is in hand or is necessary to manage the risk.

The largest risks identified for the year include:

- Heavy reliance on Global, and dependence on key presenters and Global brand support for fundraising activity, without a fully diversified income base. The Charity continues to develop a broader portfolio of income streams, and long-term planning across campaigns and partnerships to reduce concentration risk.
- Political and economic instability, which may reduce donor giving and increase pressure on household budgets. Trustees monitor fundraising performance and reserves closely in response.

Fundraising approach

The Charity is a member of the Fundraising Regulator and the Institute of Fundraising and is committed to following the Code of Fundraising Practice.

The Charity raises the majority of its funds through broadcast appeals, events, corporate partnerships and challenge activities. The Charity does not undertake unsolicited direct fundraising, such as door-to-door fundraising, direct mailings or cold calling to the general public. In line with current data protection legislation, the Charity only contacts individuals where prior consent has been obtained.

The Charity ensures that fundraising agreements and contracts are in place with supporters, particularly commercial participators, where applicable. Due diligence processes for potential supporters are reviewed at least every two years, and staff are provided with appropriate tools and guidance. Community fundraisers, challenge event participants and volunteers are given guidance on good fundraising practice and appropriate behaviour. Staff are regularly trained on fundraising best practice, including guidance on vulnerable people, and close working relationships are maintained with relevant Global teams to ensure responsibilities are clearly understood.

The Charity has an up-to-date complaints policy published on its website. All staff receive regular complaints training, and the Charity maintains a complaints log in line with its policy. In 2025/26 we received one complaint (2024/25: nil), which was fully resolved and upheld by trading standards. The Charity is not aware of any breaches of fundraising regulations by the Charity or by any person acting on its behalf.



Reference and administrative details

Trustees and main Board committee members

Dena McCallum (Chair)	Sally Ardis (resigned 17th December 2025)	Marcia Asare
David Bletso	Zoe Cadman	Sally Cairns
Ulrika Högberg (resigned 15th July 2026)	Greg Levine	Mickelle Roberts
Shalni Sood	Mark Findlay (appointed 11th February 2026)	

Finance Committee	Grants panel	Growth Advisory Board
David Bletso (Chair)	Marcia Asare (Chair)	Greg Levine (Chair)
Dena McCallum		Shalni Sood
Shalni Sood		Mark Evans
		Nick Deyong
		Sandra Davis
		James Baker

The Finance Committee meets quarterly and focusses on auditor engagement, review of the statutory audit, financial controls, risk management, financial performance, and recommendation of the annual budget to the main Board for the approval prior to the start of the new financial year in April.

The Grants Panel selects and recommends beneficiary charities for grant allocations for approval by the Board.

The Growth Advisory Board supports the Charity's growth by advising on income opportunities, partnerships, and long-term opportunities, and making recommendations to the Board.

Reference and administrative details

Senior management team

Suzanne Ryder Richardson	Director of Global Charities
Stuart Campbell	Fundraising and Marketing Director
Jennifer Farge	Head of Governance and Finance
Jasmine Morgan	Head of Brand Partnerships
Debby Mulling	Head of Grants and Impact

Administrative details of the charity

Registered name	Global Charities
Companies house registered number	04359098
Charity commission registered number	1091657
Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator registered number	SC041475
Registered office	30 Leicester Square, London, WC2H 7LA
Independent auditor	Moore Kingston Smith LLP, 6th Floor, 9 Appold Street London, EC2A 2AP
Principal bankers	Barclays Bank, 27 Soho Square, London, W1D 3QR
Website	www.makesomenoise.com https://global.com/global-goodness/

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees, who are also Directors of the charitable company, are responsible for preparing their report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Observe methods and principles in the Charities 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 assume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the 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 (The FRS 102 Charities SORP), the Companies Act 2006 and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/410), the Charities Act 2011 and Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 as amended by The Charities Accounts (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2014.

The Trustees are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of disclosure to the auditors

So far as the Trustees are aware:

(a) there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
(b) Observe methods and principles in the Charities SORP

Approved by the Trustees on 15th July 2026 and signed on their behalf on 3rd November 2026 by:

Dena McCallum

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Dena McCallum, Chair



Independent auditor's report

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Global Charities (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiary (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2026 which comprise Consolidated and Charity Statements of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and Charity Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2026 and of the charitable company and group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (as amended), regulations 6 and 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained in the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' annual report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Trustees' annual report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and parent charitable company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' annual report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Charities Act 2011 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the parent charitable company has not kept adequate and sufficient accounting records, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Trustees' annual report and from preparing a strategic report.

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 44, the Trustees (who are also the Directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the group and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the group or parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under Section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Companies Act 2006 and Section 151 of the Charities Act 2011 and report to you in accordance with regulations made under those Acts.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the group and parent charitable company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the group and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the group or parent charitable company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit report.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are: to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the charitable company.

Our approach was as follows:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory requirements applicable to the charitable company and considered that the most significant are the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (as amended), regulations 6 and 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended), the Charities Act 2011, the Charity SORP, and UK financial reporting standards as issued by the Financial Reporting Council.
- We obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with these requirements by discussions with management and those charged with governance.
- We assessed the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, including the risk of material misstatement due to fraud and how it might occur, by holding discussions with management and those charged with governance.
- We inquired of management and those charged with governance as to any known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Based on this understanding, we designed specific appropriate audit procedures to identify instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. This included making enquiries of management and those charged with governance and obtaining additional corroborative evidence as required.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006; and to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, and in respect of the consolidated financial statements, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 8 of the Charities Act 2011. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members and Trustees those matters which we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to any party other than the charitable company, the charitable company's members, as a body, and the Charity's Trustees, as a body for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

Moore Kingston Smith LLP

Luke Holt
(Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Moore Kingston Smith LLP, Statutory Auditor

9 Appold Street
London
EC2A 2AP

Date: 4th November 2026

Moore Kingston Smith LLP is eligible to act as auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Consolidated statement of financial activities

For the year ended 31 March 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2026	Total 2025
		£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:					
Donations & legacies	2				
Donations		2,051,056	871,727	2,922,783	3,207,524
Donated services: GMGSL		118,284	-	118,284	117,590
Donated media		2,055,579	-	2,055,579	1,995,707
Total Donations & legacies		**4,224,919**	**871,727**	**5,096,646**	**5,320,821**
Other trading activites	3				
Events		108,448	-	108,448	133,004
Global Charities (Trading)		1,385,321	-	1,385,321	1,123,462
Investments	4	167,727	-	167,727	186,821
TOTAL INCOME		**5,886,415**	**871,727**	**6,758,142**	**6,764,108**
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	5				
Donations		644,272	-	644,272	745,702
Fundraising events & other trading		912,304	-	912,304	720,219
Total expenditure on raising funds		**1,556,576**	**-**	**1,556,576**	**1,465,921**
Charitable activites	7,8,9				
Grants		2,575,992	840,104	3,416,096	3,090,000
Utilisation of donated services		1,909,163	-	1,909,163	1,854,931
Direct Delivery		391,698	28,710	420,408	347,846
Total expenditure on charitable activities		**4,876,853**	**868,814**	**5,745,667**	**5,292,777**
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		**6,433,429**	**868,814**	**7,302,243**	**6,758,698**
Transfers between funds	19	(3,710)	3,710	-	-
NET (EXPENDITURE)/ INCOME and NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(550,724)	6,623	(544,101)	5,410
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		1,615,036	-	1,615,036	1,609,626
Total funds carried forward		**1,064,312**	**6,623**	**1,070,935**	**1,615,036**

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

Charity statement of financial activities

For the year ended 31 March 2026

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2026	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:				
Donations & legacies				
Donations	2,759,099	871,727	3,630,826	3,860,554
Donated services: GMGSL	118,284	-	118,284	117,590
Donated media	2,055,579	-	2,055,579	1,995,707
Total donations & legacies	**4,932,962**	**871,727**	**5,804,689**	**5,973,851**
Other trading activites				
Events	103,188	-	103,188	128,304
Investments	142,570	-	142,570	179,373
TOTAL INCOME	**5,178,720**	**871,727**	**6,050,447**	**6,281,528**
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Raising funds				
Donations	644,272	-	644,272	745,702
Fundraising events & other trading	204,609	-	204,609	237,639
Total expenditure on raising funds	**848,881**	**–**	**848,881**	**983,341**
Charitable activites:				
Grants	2,575,992	840,104	3,416,096	3,090,000
Utilisation of donated services	1,909,163	-	1,909,163	1,854,931
Direct delivery	391,698	28,710	420,408	347,846
Total expenditure on charitable activities	**4,876,853**	**868,814**	**5,745,667**	**5,292,777**
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	**5,725,734**	**868,814**	**6,594,548**	**6,276,118**
Transfers between funds	(3,710)	3,710	-	-
NET (EXPENDITURE)/ INCOME and NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	(550,724)	6,623	(544,101)	5,410
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:				
Total funds brought forward	1,615,036	-	1,615,036	1,609,626
Total funds carried forward	**1,064,312**	**6,623**	**1,070,935**	**1,615,036**

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

Consolidated and charity balance sheet

Company number: 04359098

As at 31 March 2026

	Notes	Group 2026	Charity 2026	Group 2025	Charity 2025
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	14	1,268	1,268	2,636	2,636
Investments		-	1	-	1
Total fixed assets		**1,268**	**1,269**	**2,636**	**2,637**
CURRENT ASSETS					
Inventory	15	-	-	925	-
Debtors	17	395,476	1,190,082	445,745	1,247,243
Short term deposits		2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Cash at bank and in hand		3,033,722	2,083,464	3,587,121	2,740,121
Total current assets		**5,429,198**	**5,273,546**	**6,033,791**	**5,987,364**
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	18	(3,490,911)	(3,335,380)	(2,938,232)	(2,891,806)
Net current assets		**1,938,287**	**1,938,166**	**3,095,559**	**3,095,558**
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**1,939,555**	**1,939,435**	**3,098,195**	**3,098,195**
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	18	(868,620)	(868,500)	(1,483,159)	(1,483,159)
NET ASSETS		**1,070,935**	**1,070,935**	**1,615,036**	**1,615,036**
CHARITABLE FUNDS					
Restricted funds	19	6,623	6,623	-	-
Unrestricted funds	19	1,064,312	1,064,312	1,615,036	1,615,036
TOTAL FUNDS		**1,070,935**	**1,070,935**	**1,615,036**	**1,615,036**

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 15th July 2026 and signed on their behalf on 3rd November 2026 by:



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Dena McCallum, Chair

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Group cash flow statement

For the year ended 31 March 2026

	Notes	Group 2026	Group 2025
		£	£
Cash flows from operating activities	(a)		
Net cash (used in) / provided by operating activities		(721,126)	463,203
Cash flows from investing activities			
Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities	(b)	167,727	(1,813,179)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		**(553,399)**	(1,349,976)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		3,587,121	4,937,097
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		**3,033,722**	**3,587,121**
Cash flow statement notes			
(a) Reconciliation of net movement in funds to cash flow from operating activities			
Net movement in funds		(544,101)	5,410
Decrease in inventory		925	516
Depreciation charges		1,368	1,369
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors		50,269	(22,272)
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors		(61,860)	665,001
Interest and dividends		(167,727)	(186,821)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		(721,126)	**463,203**
(b) Cash flows from investing activities			
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		167,727	186,821
Purchase of investments		-	(2,000,000)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		**167,727**	**(1,813,179)**

At 31 March 2026, the Group held £3,033,722 in cash. £3,141,634 of grants are due to be paid out between April 2026 and March 2027.

Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April 2025	Cash flows	At 31 March 2026
	£	£	£
Cash & cash equivalents	3,587,121	(553,399)	3,033,722
Total	**3,587,121**	**(553,399)**	**3,033,722**

Notes to the financial statement

For the year ended 31 March 2026

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 (FRS 102) – (Charities SORP 2015 (Second Edition, effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Global Charities meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes. The financial statements have been presented in GBP and rounded to the nearest £.

Going concern

Given the charitable company's favourable fundraising record and the level of free reserves available at the year end, the Trustees consider that the charitable company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and there are no material uncertainties relating to going concern. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Statement of cash flows

The charitable group's cash flow statement reflects the presentation requirements of FRS 102.

Basis of consolidation

The financial statements consolidate the results of the Charity (parent charitable company) and its wholly owned subsidiary Global Charities (Trading) Limited on a line-by-line basis.

Company status

The company is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 42. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the Charity has entitlement to the funds, probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donated services or facilities, which comprise donated services, are included in income at a valuation which is an estimate of the value of the gift to the Charity.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time of the investment income is receivable.

Functions and events consist of the income from the various fundraising activities carried out by the Charity. These are recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Where a campaign, event or trek spans the year end, income is recognised in the period in which the event commenced. The remainder of any income received in the year relating to events occurring post year end is deferred and held on the balance sheet until released to income when the event occurs.

Global Charities (Trading) Limited includes the income from non-charitable activities and is included in the period in which the group is entitled to receipt or provision of the related goods or services.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources. Expenditure on charitable activities has been restated to recognise costs in line with Global Charities ongoing strategy.

Expenditure on raising donations (fundraising costs) are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities.

Expenditure on events and trading activities include function and events costs, fundraising staff and support costs, and publicity costs. Where a campaign, event or trek spans the year end, the associated costs are recognised in the period in which the event commenced.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure. Grants payable by the Charity that are due after more than 12 months are recognised as a liability in the financial statements at the point the Charity has a constructive obligation to make the payment. Although the liability is reviewed based on future payments, since the impact of discounting is not material, future payments are not discounted to present value.

Charitable expenditure includes grants costs, support costs and goods distributed, which are the estimated costs of gifts in kind donated from companies and individuals.

Support staff costs consist of administrative staff costs which are apportioned to activities on an actual staff time basis relating to the support aspect of the Charity, grant support costs including the costs of processing and administering the grants and applications, and support to actual and potential applicants. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the company and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and are apportioned on the same basis as support costs.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £1,000 are capitalised.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Computer equipment	- 20% straight line

Investments

Investments in subsidiaries are valued at cost less provision for impairment.

Stock inventory

Stock inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Taxation

The company meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Debtors
Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash and cash equivalents
Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments, with a maturity of less than 3 months from the balance sheet date. Short term deposits have a maturity of 3 to 12 months.

Creditors and provisions
Creditors and provisions are recognised where 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 and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due. Grant liabilities are recognised upon ratification by the main Trustee board, of the regional panels' recommendations.

Employee benefits
Short term benefits including holiday pay are recognised as an expense in the period in which the service is received. Termination benefits are accounted for on an accruals basis and in line with FRS 102.

Pensions

The charitable company participates in the Global Media Service Group Personal Pension Plan. The scheme is a defined contribution arrangement, and the company makes age-related contributions to the scheme for participating staff. Pension liabilities are charged to the statement of financial activities as they fall due.

Estimates and judgement

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of the amount, events or actions, actual results may ultimately differ from those estimates.

The Trustees consider valuation of investments and depreciation to be subject to estimation and judgement and are discussed above.

Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost with the exception of investments which are held at fair value. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprise cash at bank and in hand, together with trade and other debtors. A specific provision is made for debts for which recoverability is in doubt. Cash at bank and in hand is defined as all cash held in instant access bank accounts and used as working capital. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprise all creditors except social security and other taxes.



2. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2026	Restricted funds 2026	Total 2026	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations	2,051,056	871,727	2,922,783	3,199,524	8,000	3,207,524
Donated services - GMGSL	118,284	-	118,284	117,590	-	117,590
Donated airtime	2,055,579	-	2,055,579	1,995,707	-	1,995,707
Total income from donations and legacies	**4,224,919**	**871,727**	**5,096,646**	**5,312,821**	**8,000**	**5,320,821**

3. Other trading income

	Unrestricted funds 2026	Restricted funds 2026	Total 2026	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Events and challenge events	108,448	-	108,448	133,004	-	133,004
Global Charities (Trading) Limited	1,385,321	-	1,385,321	1,123,462	-	1,123,462
Total other trading income	**1,493,769**	**-**	**1,493,769**	**1,256,466**	**-**	**1,256,466**

4. Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2026	Restricted funds 2026	Total 2026	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bank interest receivable	167,727	-	167,727	186,821	-	186,821
Total income from investments	**167,727**	**-**	**167,727**	**186,821**	**-**	**186,821**

5. Expenditure on raising funds

	Staff costs	Direct costs	Support costs	Total 2026	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost of raising donations	344,091	248,894	51,287	644,272	745,702
Cost of trading and events	312,691	484,902	114,711	912,304	720,219
Total expenditure on raising funds	**656,782**	**733,796**	**165,998**	**1,556,576**	**1,465,921**

6. Expenditure on raising funds - Comparative period 2025

	Staff costs	Direct costs	Support costs	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost of raising donations	274,970	414,101	56,631	745,702	628,847
Cost of trading and events	312,154	296,869	111,196	720,219	611,313
Total expenditure on raising funds - comparative period	**587,124**	**710,970**	**167,827**	**1,465,921**	**1,240,160**

7. Grants to organisations

	Total 2026		Total 2025	
	Number	£	Number	£
Global Charities causes				
Lack of opportunity	9	540,000	4	246,000
Homelessness	1	69,500	3	209,000
Carers	1	50,000	3	182,000
Bereavement	2	111,500	1	70,000
Illness	5	333,000	4	269,000
Inclusion/Loneliness	4	228,500	6	354,000
Mental health	8	531,500	9	592,000
Poverty	3	190,000	3	207,000
Disability	5	326,000	10	620,000
Abuse/Trauma	1	65,500	3	208,000
Small Charity Week	189	785,104	-	-
Other	20	194,000	18	133,000
	248	**3,424,604**	**64**	**3,090,000**
Grants previously committed but no longer payable	(1)	(8,508)	-	-
Total grants to organisations	**247**	**3,416,096**	**64**	**3,090,000**

8. Grants to organisations

	2026	2025
	£	£
Grants by appeal		
Global Charities	2,630,992	3,090,000
Small Charity Week	785,104	-
Total grants to organisations	**3,416,096**	**3,090,000**





9. Expenditure on charitable activities

	Grants	Direct staff costs	Direct costs	Support costs	Total 2026
	£	£	£	£	£
Global Charities causes					
Lack of opportunity	540,000	-	378,209	52,153	970,362
Homelessness	69,500	-	48,677	6,712	124,889
Carers	50,000	-	35,019	4,829	89,848
Bereavement	111,500	-	78,093	10,769	200,362
Illness	333,000	-	233,229	32,161	598,390
Inclusion/Loneliness	228,500	-	160,039	22,068	410,607
Mental health	531,500	-	372,256	51,332	955,088
Poverty	190,000	-	133,074	18,350	341,424
Disability	326,000	-	228,326	31,485	585,811
Abuse/Trauma	65,500	-	45,875	6,326	117,701
Small Charity Week	785,104	27,235	1,348	7,851	821,538
Other	194,000	-	135,875	18,736	348,611
Direct Delivery Projects					
Direct delivery	-	150,177	39,367	-	189,544
	3,424,604	**177,412**	**1,889,387**	**262,772**	**5,754,175**
Grants previously committed but no longer payable	(8,508)	-	-	-	(8,508)
Total expenditure on charitable activities	**3,416,096**	**177,412**	**1,889,387**	**262,772**	**5,745,667**

10. Expenditure on charitable activities - comparative period 2025

	Grants	Direct staff costs	Direct costs	Support costs	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Global Charities causes					
Lack of opportunity	246,000	-	142,993	19,105	408,098
Homelessness	209,000	-	121,486	16,232	346,718
Carers	182,000	-	105,792	14,135	301,927
Bereavement	70,000	-	40,689	5,436	116,125
Illness	269,000	-	156,363	20,892	446,255
Inclusion/Loneliness	354,000	-	205,771	27,493	587,264
Mental health	592,000	-	344,114	45,977	982,091
Poverty	207,000	-	120,324	16,076	343,400
Disability	620,000	-	360,390	48,152	1,028,542
Abuse/Trauma	208,000	-	120,905	16,154	345,059
Other	133,000	-	77,309	10,329	220,638
Direct delivery Projects					
Direct delivery	-	130,498	36,162	-	166,660
Total expenditure on charitable activities	**3,090,000**	**130,498**	**1,832,298**	**239,981**	**5,292,777**



11. Support costs

	Total 2026	Total 2025
	£	£
Staff costs	245,983	237,736
Auditor's remuneration	29,860	27,366
Other support costs	152,927	142,706
Total support costs	**428,770**	**407,808**

12. Net movement in funds

	2026	2025
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Auditor's remuneration	29,860	27,366
Auditor's remuneration – non audit fees	-	-
Pension costs	36,884	31,183

13. Staff costs

	2026	2025
	£	£
Wages and salaries	929,316	840,739
Social security costs	113,977	83,436
Other pension costs	36,884	31,183
Total staff costs	**1,080,177**	**955,358**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2026	2025
	Number	Number
Fundraising	10	10
Grant and community programmes	5	4
Charity management and administration	6	6
Average monthly number of employees	**21**	**20**

The number of higher paid employees was:

	2026	2025
	Number	Number
£60,000 - £70,000	1	1
£70,001 - £80,000	-	-
£80,001 - £90,000	1	1
£90,001 – £100,000	-	1
£100,001 - £110,000	1	-
	3	**3**

Key management personnel comprise the senior management team. The total employee remuneration of the key management personnel of Charity and the group were £427,646 (2025: £422,682), of which £nil (2025: £nil) was an ex-gratia contractual payment.

During the year, £25,105 (2025: £24,613) was paid by the Charity but reimbursed by GMG-SL in respect of work related to the Charity's operations. During the year, nil (2025: nil) was paid in statutory redundancy payments.

14. Tangible fixed assets - group and charity

	Computer equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
Opening balance	22,493	22,493
Additions	-	-
Closing balance	22,493	22,493
Depreciation		
Opening balance	19,857	19,857
Charge for the year	1,368	1,368
Closing balance	21,225	21,225
Net book value 2026	**1,268**	**1,268**
Net book value 2025	2,636	2,636

15. Stock inventory

	2026	2025
	£	£
Stock inventory	-	925
Total stock inventory	**-**	**925**

16. Fixed asset investments - Charity

	Total 2026	Total 2025
	£	£
Current assets		
Inventory	-	925
Debtors & other current assets	184,498	193,626
Cash at bank and in hand	950,258	846,999
Creditors falling due within one year	(1,134,755)	(1,041,549)
Total fixed asset investments - Charity	**1**	**1**

Global Charities owns 100% of the issued share capital of Global Charities (Trading) Limited – "Trading", a company incorporated in England and Wales (Company Number: 04374705) which carries on the business of arranging product sales and other fundraising events. The investment, which consists of 1 ordinary- share of £1, is shown at cost.

In the opinion of the Trustees, the aggregate value of the share in and amounts owing from Global Charities (Trading) Limited is not less than the aggregate of the amounts at which those assets are stated in the Global Charities balance sheet.

The net results of Global Charities (Trading) Limited were:

	Total 2026	Total 2025
	£	£
Turnover	1,390,581	1,236,953
Cost of sales	(696,652)	(472,440)
Gross profit	**693,929**	**764,513**
Administrative expenses	(11,043)	(10,141)
Operating profit	**682,886**	**754,372**
Interest receivable	25,157	7,449
Profit before taxation	**708,043**	**761,821**
Retained profit for the year	**708,043**	**761,821**
Gift Aid payment to the Charity	(708,043)	(761,821)

At the year end, £979,104 was due from Global Charities (Trading) Limited (2025: £995,124).

17. Debtors

	Group		Charity	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
	£	£	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Trade debtors	385,816	112,332	169,230	56,918
Provision for doubtful debt	(75,000)	-	-	-
Sundry debtors	5,009	-	5,009	-
Amounts owed by group undertakings	14,355	136,673	993,460	1,028,597
Prepayments and accrued income	51,739	196,740	22,383	161,728
Total debtors falling due within one year	**381,919**	**445,745**	**1,190,082**	**1,247,243**
Amounts falling due after more than one year:				
Prepayments and accrued income	13,557	-	-	-
Total debtors falling due after more than one year	**13,557**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Total debtors	**395,476**	**445,745**	**1,190,082**	**1,247,243**

18. Creditors

	Group		Charity	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
	£	£	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Trade creditors	6,921	7,281	6,884	7,246
Amounts owed to group undertakings	14,407	8,996	14,407	8,996
Other taxation and social security	63,741	103,914	24,392	92,524
Grant creditors	3,141,634	2,676,459	3,141,634	2,676,459
Accruals and deferred income	264,208	141,582	148,063	106,581
Total creditors falling due within one year	**3,490,911**	**2,938,232**	**3,335,380**	**2,891,806**
Amounts falling due after more than one year:				
Grant creditors	868,500	1,483,159	868,500	1,483,159
Deferred income	120	-	-	-
Total creditors falling due after more than one year	**868,620**	**1,483,159**	**868,500**	**1,483,159**
Total creditors	**4,359,531**	**4,421,391**	**4,203,880**	**4,374,965**

Deferred income at 31 March 2026 relates to income received in advance of a number of projects and fundraising events to be held in the year ending 31 March 2027. Deferred income brought forward from 31 March 2025 for the group was £88,954 (Charity: £58,854, Trading: £30,100) which was all released to the income and expenditure account in the year. Deferred income carried forward at 31 March 2026 for the group is £202,924 (Charity: £91,724, Trading: £111,200).

19. Statement of funds - Group 2026

	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfer between funds	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	1,615,036	5,886,415	(6,433,429)	(3,710)	1,064,312
Total unrestricted funds	**1,615,036**	**5,886,415**	**(6,433,429)**	**(3,710)**	**1,064,312**
Restricted funds					
Small Charity Week	-	810,104	(813,686)	3,582	-
Stagecoach	-	55,000	(55,000)	-	-
Hillier Hopkins	-	6,623	(128)	128	6,623
Total restricted funds	**-**	**871,727**	**(868,814)**	**3,710**	**6,623**
Total funds	**1,615,036**	**6,758,142**	**(7,302,243)**	**-**	**1,070,935**

20. Statement of funds - Group - comparative period 2025

	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfer between funds	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	1,609,626	6,756,108	(6,750,698)	-	1,615,036
Total unrestricted funds	**1,609,626**	**6,756,108**	**(6,750,698)**	**-**	**1,615,036**
Restricted funds					
IMG Media	-	8,000	(8,000)	-	-
Total restricted funds	**-**	**8,000**	**(8,000)**	**-**	**-**
Total funds	**1,609,626**	**6,764,108**	**(6,758,698)**	**-**	**1,615,036**

21. Analysis of net assets between funds - Group

	Unrestricted funds 2026	Restricted funds 2026	Total 2026	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	1,268	-	1,268	2,636
Current assets	5,422,575	6,623	5,429,198	6,033,791
Creditors due within one year	(3,490,911)	-	(3,490,911)	(2,938,232)
Creditors due after more than one year	(868,620)	-	(868,620)	(1,483,159)
Total	**1,064,312**	**6,623**	**1,070,935**	**1,615,036**

22. Pension commitments

The charitable company participates in the Global Media Group Personal Pension Plan. The scheme is a defined contribution arrangement and the company makes age-related contributions to the scheme for participating staff. The total pension cost to the Global Charities group for the year was £36,884 (2025: £31,183). Employer's outstanding liability at the year-end was £nil (2025: £23,398).

23. Related party transactions

The ultimate control of the Charity is vested in its members of which there is one, Global Radio Limited. A number of transactions have taken place with Global Media Group Services Limited (GMGSL), one of the group entities, in the year as well as recharges in the normal course of business. GMGSL forgave £43,373 (2025: £33,955) of loans owed to them. GMGSL also donated services and facilities to the value of £118,284 (2025: £117,590).

A valuation of programming air-time and social media activity provided by GMGSL has also been included due to the integrated nature of the Charity's on-air content with station on-air content in programming time. It has been valued at £2,055,579 (2025: £1,995,707).

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration, benefits in kind or reimbursement of expenses (2025: £nil). During the year, three Trustees (2025: one Trustee) made donations totalling £13,650 (2025: £10,500) to the Charity.





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