

Birds of Paradise

Report and Accounts

31 March 2025

**Birds of Paradise
Trustees Report for the year ending 31 March 2025**


Introduction

The Trustees present their annual report and accounts for year ending 31 March 2025.

Reference and administration Details

The full name of the charity is Birds of Paradise

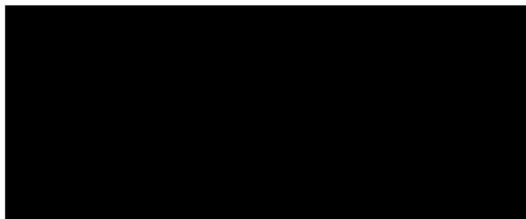
The Scottish charity number is SC049807

The address of the charity is 

Trustees during the year

Trustees are appointed in accordance with the trust deed

The Trustees of the charity during the year ending 31 March 2025 were:



Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by a written constitution in the form of a trust deed.

The affairs of the charity are currently managed by the committee of Trustees made up of five members and anyone else who may wish to help as a volunteer. The members of the committee, at the first meeting following the formation of the charity, appointed a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The Chairman has a casting vote. The committee will try and meet at least four times a year and more often as circumstances demand.

Objectives and Activities

The object of the charity is the prevention or relief of poverty

Many poverty stricken communities and individuals are suffering and will continue to suffer from hunger and extreme financial hardship caused by natural disasters, war, inflation and cut backs in government spending.

The charity aims to relieve poverty by providing financial assistance, food distribution and supporting sustainable welfare programmes to the poor and needy.

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Achievements and Performance

The charity has continued to focus on food and financial aid to displaced refugees, asylum seekers, victims of natural disasters and other needy communities, families and individuals affected by the ongoing economic crisis, increases in cost of living, conflicts and wars.

During the year the charity increased its efforts in providing food and emergency aid to those communities and individuals severely affected by malnutrition, hunger and cost of living crisis with a emphasis on assisting educational programmes and training skills to be delivered to prevent or relieve poverty in the most poverty stricken areas.

Some 90 poor girls were assisted through our UK implementation partner working in remote areas affected by conflict and war by renting premises for educational classes to commence with a view to raising funds for establishing a school by the local community in the coming year.

The charity also extended its reach to those individuals unable to work due to disability issues. For example, wheel chairs were provided to assist with mobility that would allow the individuals to be able to work, learn new skills and become less dependant on others.

The charity is very grateful for the increased continued support and generosity of our donors during what are continued to be very challenging times.

Future Plans

The charity will continue to concentrate its efforts on raising more funds from building longer term relationships with donors who may wish to leave a gift or legacy as part of their will as well as one off and regular donations.

The focus will remain to assist the most hardest hit from lack of income, support and job prospects during these challenging times.

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Financial Review

During the year, the charity received **£51,235** (2024: £46,575) from its core charitable activities. Expenditure amounted to **£46,073** (2024: £23,059) resulting in a surplus of **£5,162** (2024: surplus of £23,516).

Reserves

As at 31 March 2025, the free reserves of the charity were **£36,729**. It is the policy of the charity to maintain sufficient free reserves to allow the charity to meet any expenditure as it falls due.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf:



18 December 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Birds of Paradise

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2025 as set out on pages 5 to 7.

Respective Responsibilities of Management Committee and Examiner

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity Trustees considers that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the Accounts Regulations (as amended) does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under Section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention, other than disclosed below:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended); and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended)have not been met, or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Receipts			
General donations	50,690	50,690	45,922
Sundry income	545	545	653
Total receipts	<u>51,235</u>	<u>51,235</u>	<u>46,575</u>
Payments			
Food & Emergency Aid	22,579	22,579	10,508
Disability Aid	4,850	4,850	8,339
Water	5,940	5,940	1,875
Orphans & Widows	12,428	12,428	2,129
Sundry expenses	276	276	208
	<u>46,073</u>	<u>46,073</u>	<u>23,059</u>
Governance costs			
Fees & charges	-	-	-
Total payments	<u>46,073</u>	<u>46,073</u>	<u>23,059</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>5,162</u> =====	<u>5,162</u> =====	<u>23,516</u> =====

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Notes to the accounts for the year ending 31 March 2025

1 Nature and purpose of funds

Unrestricted funds: These can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the management committee.

2 Bank Balances

The funds are held, without restriction, in accounts with the Clydesdale Bank PLC,

		2025 £	2024 £
Clydesdale Bank	Current a/c	159	13,771
Clydesdale Bank	Instant access a/c	36,570	17,796
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		36,729	31,567
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3 Management committee remuneration and expenses

1) Remuneration

No remuneration was paid to any of the Trustees during the year (2024: Nil).

2) Expenses

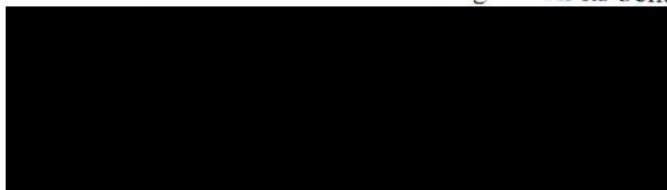
No expenses were paid to any of the Trustees during the year (2024: Nil).

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Statement of Bank Balances as at 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Bank		
Opening balance	31,567	8,051
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	5,162	23,516
Closing balance	<u>36,729</u> =====	<u>31,567</u> =====
Reserves		
Unrestricted reserve	<u>36,729</u> =====	<u>31,567</u> =====

All funds are unrestricted.

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18 December 2025

The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts.