

Annual Report and Accounts for the period from 18 March 2022 to 17 March 2023

Cambridge Inter-Collegiate Christian Union (CICCU) Registered Charity number: 1080230

Trustees' Annual Report for year ending 17 March 2023

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document

Recognising Christ's commission to make disciples of all nations we, in God's strength, seek the advancement of the Christian faith as revealed in the Bible by verbally presenting the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ to members of the University. As a vital support to this we seek to unite and strengthen those who desire to serve Christ. We seek to be in God's work worldwide through his church. Therefore, the CICCU exists "to make Jesus Christ known to students in Cambridge."

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit

As a Christian Union, we're convinced that Jesus' earthly life, death on the cross, and subsequent resurrection is tremendously good news: it offers everyone the promise of rescue from the consequences of our rebellion against God and the certain prospect of eternal life in perfect relationship with Him. We want everyone to hear about it! So the CICCU runs events designed to introduce students to the historical figure of Jesus Christ, and to address their questions about his relevance to life today.

In February 2023, continuing an annual practice of hosting evangelistic outreach weeks, we held a week of events on the theme of 'Human: who are we?'. The week involved a series of lunchtime and evening talks, as well as events for international students everyday. Each of these events offered students from a wide range of backgrounds the opportunity to hear how the good news about Jesus found in the Bible relates to our understanding of what it means to be human. The talks are accessible at https://www.youtube.com/@CICCUTalks. Other one-off outreach events which took place this year were welcome events for international students in September, the Freshers' Banquet aimed at welcoming all new freshers, the 'Thought Festival' which involved a series of 3 evening talks in October, the carol services in December, and a final event of the academic year in June. Alongside these events, there were weekly

events. 'iConnect café' was designed to be a place for internationals to chill, chat and connect, and 'Big Questions' involved a weekly talk around a different topic. In each of these events, the proclamation of the gospel was made central.

In support of our outreach events, the CICCU holds weekly meetings at both university and college levels. These meetings involve fellowship, sung praise, and Bible teaching, helping us to excite, equip and encourage one another as we unite around the aim of proclaiming the message of Christ. Our weekly central and college-based meetings continued normally this year and ran as usual throughout each academic term. Outreach events in each college are organised by college representatives. In line with recent tradition in the CICCU, one of our weekly central meetings focused on global mission, enabling our members to hear about the worldwide work going on in the church, and to give them the opportunity to consider how they can be involved in this themselves.

We also held 3 getaways: "Prepaway", "Freshaway" and "Big CICCU Getaway" (BCG). "Prepaway" was in April 2022 and involved three days of equipping and training for the incoming college representatives. "Freshaway" was in September 2022, and was a conference for incoming students to Cambridge University. This took the form of a three-day residential and gave freshers the opportunity to build friendships before arriving in Cambridge and to explore what it looks like to live and speak for Jesus at university. As part of this, we explained the importance for Christian students of attending and serving a local church during their time at university, and many freshers chose to join a local church when they arrived in Cambridge. BCG was in January 2023, and was a four-day residential with the same aims as our weekly meetings. BCG was well-attended by a wide range of people involved in the CU.

The CICCU also encourages its members to read the Bible one-to-one with their friends, sharing the difference Jesus has made in their own lives. We want to cultivate a culture of excitement about Jesus, where Cambridge Christians feel able to talk about him out of the deep joy that comes from knowing him personally.

We know that in all of this, we need God's help. We believe prayer needs to be at the centre of what we do as a Christian Union, so we also hold weekly prayer meetings for members at which we pray for our university, colleges, and one another, as well as world events. Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

We confirm that the trustees have had regard to the guidance on public benefit as they oversee the activities of the charity.

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

We held events through the year according to the pattern outlined above, with the majority of the events being widely publicised and well-attended. We supported college-level events and discussion groups with the aim of engaging students with the claims of Jesus.

As a result of our events, and through the work of the Holy Spirit, many members of the University heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ proclaimed, and some have come to know a personal relationship with Him for themselves.

Financial Review

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

The majority of the CICCU's income is from the donations of alumni of Cambridge University and from students. The trustees decided to increase the grant making to other charities and Christian Unions (CUs) that have similar aims and objectives to ours, in order to make good use of the income gained during the COVID pandemic that could not be put into in person events. Most notably, we organised regular donations to the charity 'Friends International', which supports international student ministry in the UK. Also, through the 'Christian Unions Mission Fund', we have donated to many CUs across the UK. All CUs had to have a reference from a UCCF staff worker and had to sign the doctrinal basis. The CICCU has many donors so the risk of donations dropping considerably is low.

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held and the amount that is held

Reserves are held to service costs in the instance that donations fall below sustainable levels.

We hold £2000 of reserves to service costs in the instance that donations fall below a sustainable level.

Reporting of related party transactions

During the year 7 trustees were reimbursed for expenses of £4,084.83 incurred for the work of the charity. No other trustee received any remuneration

- Peter McCartney £0
- Zack Schofield £516.42
- Lucy Williams £1336.05
- Lydia Pike £207.80
- Ruth Bradford £375.00
- Inyoung Baek £803.26
- Joel Chang £596.17
- Rosie Bridgewater £250.13

Structure, Governance and Management

CICCU is governed by a constitution and is constituted as an unincorporated association.

New trustees are nominated by the current trustees and then ratified by a vote of the General Committee.

Reference and Administrative details

Name of the charity	Cambridge Inter-Collegiate Christian Union
Other name the charity uses	CICCU
Registered charity number	1080230
Charity's principal address	Cambridge Inter-Collegiate

Christian Union c/o The Foundations Trust Round Church Vestry Bridge Street Cambridge

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Trustees for Period: Peter McCartney President

Zack Schofield Vice-President
Lucy Williams Vice-President
Lydia Pike Secretary
Ruth Bradford Treasurer

Inyoung Baek Prayer Secretary

Joel Chang International Secretary

Rosie Bridgewater Events Secretary

Current Trustees: Daniel Read President

Micah Mugge Vice-President
Samuel McQuaker Vice-President
Reuben Bolton Secretary
Riyaan Yesudian Treasurer

Emily Orr Prayer Secretary

Rachel Yang International Secretary

Emily Williams Events Secretary

The above report was approved by the trustees on 21st December 2023 and is signed on behalf of all the trustees:

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Daniel Read President Riyaan Yesudian Treasurer

Cambridge Inter Collegiate Christian Union (CICCU)

Receipts and Payments accounts

For the period from 18 March 2022 to 17 March 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
Receipts				
Income from donations of individuals	29,440	690	30,130	35,715
ncome from church grants	800	1,200	2,000	
ncome from charitable activites	28,911	50	28,961	25,880
Income from other trading activities	22	-	22	5,045
Investment income	0			
Total receipts	59,173	1,940	61,113	66,640
Payments				
Getaways	25,531	-	25,531	20,902
Events week	10,275	50	10,325	9,655
Grants	9,865	690	10,555	8,443
Charity running costs	2,600	-	2,600	3,277
Central events	13,687	1,200	14,887	18,422
College events	1,448	-	1,448	1,894
Total payments	63,406	1,940	65,346	62,593
Net of receipts/(payments)	(4,233)		(4,233)	4,047
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	,
Cash funds last year end	83,179	-	83,179	79,131
Cash funds this year end	78,946		78,946	83,179

	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
		to nearest £	to the nearest £
Cash Funds (assests)	Cash in bank	78,946	-
	Total cash funds	78,946	-
Unpresented Cheques (assests)	nil		
Unpresented Cheques (liabilities)	nil		
Volunteer Expenses Due (liabilities)	119.71		

Signed on behalf of all the trustees:

Daniel Read President

Date: 21st December 2023

Riyaan Yesudian Treasurer

Date: 21st December 2023

Notes to the accounts

Most funds received, paid, and held during the financial year 18th March 2022 – 17th March 2023 are part of the unrestricted general fund.

Restricted funds were held during this period for various reasons:

- 1. For our annual Giving Appeal (£690). The giving appeal was run for Crosslinks, and student donations were held in a restricted fund before being passed on to Crosslinks.
- 2. For international outreach (£1,200). This grant was received from The W.H. Knox Associated Charitable Trusts, and was for the purpose of subsidising international outreach events
- 3. For specific Events Week donations (£50).

Receipts categories:

Donations of individuals – charitable donations from private individuals, mostly alumni of the society.

Church grants – grant payments received from churches that share the aims of the charity

Other trading activities – income that has been received from refunds for goods purchased by the charity. The reason why this category has a much lower amount of money compared to last financial year is because we no longer assign income collected from organising a trip to the 'Word Alive' conference to this category. Now, we consider this to be part of the 'getaways' income, which falls under the 'charitable activities' category

Charitable activities - income from activities CICCU runs that are not otherwise explicitly listed in the accounts.

Investment income – small amount of money received from interest on the deposit bank account.

Payments categories:

Getaways – costs of the annual retreat events

Events week – costs of the annual main event mission week to which all members of the University are welcome.

Grants – payments made to organisations that share the charity's aims, including the Giving Appeal, Christian Unions Mission Fund grants, and other donations.

Central events – costs of regular intercollegiate events outside of the main event mission week, that the charity runs for its members and the wider membership of the University.

College Events – costs of regular events ran at a college level, that the charity runs for its members and the wider membership of the University.

Charity running costs – this mostly consists of legal costs as well as stationery costs and other sundry payments for the day to day running of the charity.

CICCU receives funds from its members ('Internal Donations') and former members who have graduated ('External Donations') which both come under the category 'Donations from individuals'. Current and former members are informed of CICCU's financial situation through finance letters issued three time a year. CICCU also receives some financial support from churches on a one-off basis.



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Cambridge Inter-Collegiate Christian Union

On accounts for the year ended

17 March 2023 Charity no (if any) 1080230

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 17 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

P. Robinson.

Date: 16 January 2024

Name:

Peter Robinson

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

n/a

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Section B	Disclosure		
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).		
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	n/a		