# REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 MARCH 2023

**Charity Number 1140552** 

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#### TRUSTEES' REPORT

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Trust Deed, the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102). The financial statements are drawn up on the historical cost basis of accounting.

#### Reference and Administrative Information

**Charity name** 

Care Sri Lanka

Charity registration number

1140552

Principal address

12 London Road Hailsham

East Sussex BN27 1EB

**Trustees** 

Richard Clarke (Chairman)

Roger Cook (appointed 14 November 2023)

Gary Donaldson Jackie Donaldson

Matthew Sharpe (appointed 14 November 2023)

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**Bankers** 

NatWest Bank 96, Terminus Road

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**Independent Examiner** 

Jacob Cavenagh & Skeet, Chartered Accountants

5 Robin Hood Lane

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#### Objects of the charity

The charity is a trust and is governed by its Trust Deed dated 15 November 2010. The objects of the charity, as set out in the governing document are:

- To advance education and relieve sickness and financial hardship; and
- To promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind.

This is to be done in such parts of Sri Lanka or the world as the trustees from time to time may think fit. At the present time, the charity's work is carried out solely in Sri Lanka and, as set out in the section on public benefit, the charity funds a range of activities to enable it to achieve these objects.

#### TRUSTEES' REPORT

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

#### Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements related to the provision of funds to Sri Lanka to enable the following:

- Sponsoring around 150 Children
- Education funding 10 preschools for 300 children and 10 evening tuition classes for approximately 460 students
- Medical paying for GP assessment and treatment for over 160 people.
- · Providing self-employment opportunities for over 55 families
- Funding a daily food programme for approximately 300 children daily, 1500 school children weekly, children and 190 widows.
- Providing over 4,000 families with Covid relief in the form of food bags and other suitable items, due to the
  economic crisis.

Most the charity's activities are undertaken by volunteers and the charity could not operate effectively without their efforts.

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Project work in Sri Lanka is monitored during visits from the trustees and other UK volunteers. Visits were limited during the year due to the Covid pandemic. Three visitors approved by the trustees visited in April 2022, and the secretary visited Sri Lanka in January 2023 to evidence progress on funded projects. The accounting records and financial controls were checked on each visit to confirm reliability and accuracy. Where possible, projects for which restricted donations have been received were also inspected to ensure funds were being spent as requested.

#### Structure, Governance and Management

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rests with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. New trustees are recruited and appointed by a majority of the existing trustees.

## **Financial review**

The charity received donations including gift aid recoverable and donated goods totalling £150,501 throughout the year ended 31 March 2023 (2022: £123,086). During the year, funds totalling £79,102 (2022: £98,899) and donated goods of nil (2022: £6,000) were transferred to Sri Lanka. £11,981 (2022: £20,276) was used to cover various expenses, including administrative costs and expenditure relating to shipments and projects.

#### Reserves policy

The general policy of the Board of Trustees is that cash reserves held by the charity should be maintained at approximately £30,000 as a contingency against events such as flood, famine and natural disaster which can arise unexpectedly and have a significant impact on the population. Care Sri Lanka will hold these reserves in order to be able to respond in a timely manner to the humanitarian need caused by such events; a smaller reserve would not be sufficient to have the impact needed in the communities in which Care Sri Lanka is involved. In addition, there can be banking restrictions over the amount which can be transferred in a specific time period and at least one month's worth of restricted funds can be held in the account pending the next transfer to Sri Lanka. The available cash reserves held at 31 March 2023 for these purposes was £126,882 (2022: £94,703) (comprised of £30,000 cash reserve, £37,539 unrestricted cash due to be transferred to Sri Lanka, and £59,343 cash balance in the restricted funds due to be transferred to Sri Lanka).

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

## Key risks and uncertainties

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial, or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

#### Plans for the future

The charity plans to continue with existing programmes to provide emergency food relief, nutrition programmes for children and widows, pre-schools, building and repairing homes, tuition, and medical help. It also plans to fund business start-ups where resources are available. The charity will also respond to needs as they arise as has been done during the recent economic crisis.

# Responsibilities of trustees under charity law

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- 1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- 2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- 3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- 4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## **Approval**

This report was approved by the trustees on 15 January 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Clarke, Chairman

#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

# TO THE TRUSTEES OF

#### CARE SRI LANKA

#### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Care Sri Lanka

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Care Sri Lanka for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages 5 to 12.

#### 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 charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

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- 3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Report) 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; or
- 4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of 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 the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

Miriam Hickson CTA FCA Jacob Cavenagh & Skeet

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Date: 22 January 2024

CARE SRI LANKA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Income from: Donations and legacies Donated goods	2 2	81,471 6,500	62,530	144,001	53,374 6,000	63,712	117,086
Total income		87,971	62,530	150,501	59,374	63,712	123,086
Expenditure on: Charitable activities Raising funds Total expenditure	8 4	58,732 2,444 61,176	29,907	88,639 2,444 91,083	91,611 713 92,234	32,851	124,462 713 125,175
Net income/(expenditure)		26,795	32,623	59,418	(32,950)	30,861	( 2,089)
Transfers between funds  Net movement in funds	10,11	26,795	32,623	59,418	(32,926)	30,861	( 2,089)
Reconciliation of funds							
Balances brought forward		43,525	806'09	104,433	76,475	30,047	106,522
Balances carried forward	10,11	70,320	93,531	163,851	43,525	806'09	104,433

There were no discontinued or acquired activities during the current or preceding year.

# **BALANCE SHEET**

# AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

		2023		2022	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Stock Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	6 7 8	6,600 34,188 <u>126,882</u> 167,670		100 14,140 <u>94,703</u> 108,943	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	( 3,819)		(_4,510)	
Net current assets			163,851		104,433
Net assets	12		163,851		104,433
Funds	10,11				
Unrestricted Funds Restricted Funds			93,531 _70,320		60,908 43,525
			163,851		104,433

Approved by the Trustees on 15 January 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Clarke

**Chairman and Trustee** 

N.A. Clarke.

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Trust Deed, the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102). The financial statements are drawn up on the historical cost basis of accounting. The accounts are presented in pounds sterling and figures are rounded to the nearest pound.

Care Sri Lanka meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The principal address is 12 London Road, Hailsham, East Sussex, BN27 1EB

#### Going concern

The trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

#### Donated and grant income

Income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i. Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii. Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items). Facilities, services and goods donated for the charity's own use are recognised as income when receivable at their value to the charity. The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities, particularly administrative functions in the UK and practical assistance provided in Sri Lanka. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured. When donated goods, services and facilities are distributed or consumed, an expense in respect of those items is included in the Statement of Financial Activities. At the year end any goods that have not been distributed or consumed are recognised as stock; donated fixed assets (of which there are none) are capitalised.
- iii. Legacies. Income from legacies is recognised when a distribution is received from the estate or, if earlier, when the charity has been notified that a distribution will be made and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

## Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## **Expenditure (continued)**

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

#### **Fund accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects. Endowment funds are donations that are retained as capital in accordance with the donor's wishes. The nature of the restriction determines whether the endowments represent permanent endowments or expendable endowments.

#### Tangible fixed assets

The charity does not hold any fixed assets. All items are expensed as they are given away for use in Sri Lanka.

#### Stocks

Stocks of donated items held for distribution to beneficiaries are measured at fair value; stocks of goods donated for the charity's own use are valued at an estimate of their value to the charity.

#### Taxation

The charity has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

## Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

#### Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

#### 2 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023 £	2022 £
Donations of cash and similar	123,953	110,734
Legacy income	⊕ <b>⊕</b> ii	
Income tax recoverable	20,048	6,352
	144,001	117,086
Donations in kind comprise the following:		
	2023	2022
	£	£
Donated goods – Clothing and household supplies	6,500	6,000
	6,500	6,000

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

3	CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
		2023	2022
		£	£
	Costs incurred directly on specific activities		
	Shipments to Sri Lanka	-	7,792
	Flights	2,998	5,320
	Donations in kind expensed	-	6,000
	Grants payable	79,102	_98,899
		82,100	118,011
	Costs incurred on support & administration		
	UK support costs	42	271
	Magazine and mailing costs	1,866	2,270
	Independent examination	1,385	1,510
	Accountancy	1,698	1,260
	Miscellaneous costs	1,548	1,140
		6,539	6,451
	Total charitable expenditure	88,639	124,462
	Grants made to further the charity's objects, were as follows:		
		£	£
	General support/relief	49,195	66,048
	Appeals	=	461
	Children's funds	29,907	2,004
	Covid	=	11,171
	Famine and flood relief	-	8,325
	Projects	÷	5,427

These grants were made to Children for Jesus, Trincomalee, Sri Lanka.

# 4 COST OF RAISING FUNDS

Widows

Miscellaneous

	2023	2022
	£	£
Mileage allowance	2,444	713
	2,44	<u>713</u>

80

5,383

98,899

79,102

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

## **5 STAFF COSTS AND TRUSTEES REMUNERATION**

The charity has no full time equivalent employed staff. Its activities are wholly carried out by volunteers.

No remuneration was paid to any trustee during the year nor to any person connected to them.

During the year, one (2022: two) trustee was reimbursed for costs totalling £3,714 (2022: £2,245). These include costs of travel within the UK to report to supporters on the charity's work. Reimbursements were also made in relation to UK office supplies and equipment purchased for use in Sri Lanka. Otherwise, no trustee received reimbursed expenses.

The total amount of donations funded by trustees and other related parties was nil (2022: £60).

No other transactions have taken place with related parties during the year.

6	STOCK		
		2023	2022
		£	£
	Donated goods – For distribution to beneficiaries	6,600	100
		6,600	100
7	DEBTORS		
		2023	2022
		£	£
	Income tax recoverable	34,188	14,140
		34,188	14,140
R	Cash at Bank and in Hand		
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		£	£
	Cash at bank with immediate access	126 002	04.703
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		220,002	3.17.03
9	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2023	2022
		£	£
	Trade creditors	774	1,740
	Accruals	3,045	<u>2,770</u>
		<u>3,819</u>	4,510

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

10 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS					
	At 01.04.22 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31.03.23 £
General fund	43,525	87,971	(61,176)		70,320
	At 01.04.21 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31.03.22 £
General fund	<u>76,475</u>	59,374	(92,324)		43,525
11 RESTRICTED FUNDS					
	At 01.04.22 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31.03.23 £
Children's fund – regular sponsorship Widows support	60,908  60,908	60,240 2,290 62,530	(29,907)  ( <u>29,907</u> )		91,241 
	At 01.04.21 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31.03.22 £
Appeals – Famine/drought appeal Appeals – Well building Children's fund – regular sponsorship Covid relief Famine and flood relief Miscellaneous – relief work etc Projects – teachers' wages Projects - business Widows support	2,773 461 10,371 5,552 5,383 427 5,000 80 30,047	52,541 11,171 - - - - 63,712	( 2,773) ( 461) ( 2,004) (11,171) ( 5,552) ( 5,383) ( 427) ( 5,000) ( 80) (32,851)		- 60,908 - - - - - - - 60,908

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

# 12 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

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	Unrestricted	Restricted	
	funds	funds	At 31.03.23
	£	£	£
Stock and debtors	6,600	34,188	40,788
Cash at bank and in hand	67,539	59,343	126,882
Current liabilities	(_3,819)		(3,819)
	70,320	93,531	163,851
	Unrestricted	Restricted	
	funds	funds	At 31.03.22
	£	£	£
Stock and debtors	101	14,139	14,240
Cash at bank and in hand	47,934	46,769	94,703
Current liabilities	(_4,510)		(_4,510)
	43,525	60,908	104,433