

Charity Registration No. 1067313

Company Registration No. 03344762 (England and Wales)

**INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION CENTRE
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION CENTRE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Katherine Samwell Smith Anastasia Ansell Tabitha Northrup Barbara Hudson Frances Petterson	(Appointed 27 April 2016) (Appointed 19 October 2016)
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Company number	03344762	
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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

The Trustees of the charitable company are pleased to present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2017. For the purpose of these financial statements, the directors have been referred to as Trustees of the charitable company.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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) (effective 1 January 2015)."

Objectives and activities

Intercountry Adoption Centre (IAC) is a Voluntary Adoption Agency (VAA) specialising in intercountry adoption. It also provides domestic adoption services. Information, advice and support is provided for the general public and, through subscription, for local authorities and other VAAs. The agency is especially accredited by the adoption authorities of India, the Philippines, China and Kazakhstan, and has working agreements with Bulgaria and South Africa.

Aims and Activities

IAC is a unique VAA in the UK, as it is the only adoption Agency with a specialist and primary focus on the provision of intercountry adoption services, and it is the only adoption Agency to have been accredited by authorities in States of origin from which children are placed. IAC has also provided a small domestic adoption service since varying the terms of its registration with Ofsted in 2012.

IAC was adjudged by Ofsted to be an 'outstanding' adoption Agency following inspections of the Agency in 2014 and in March 2017.

IAC continues to work collaboratively, through its subscription services and otherwise, in the UK with other adoption agencies in the statutory and voluntary sectors and with adoption support agencies towards best practice in adoption services. Since December 2015 it has been funded as the lead adoption Agency to scope and define and then to develop and deliver, in collaboration with others, an intercountry regional adoption agency, offering a national framework for intercountry adoption across England.

IAC networks with and lobbies relevant government departments in furtherance of its objects and in pursuit of improved services for those affected by intercountry and domestic adoption.

IAC has also forged links outside the UK which inform and enhance the intercountry adoption work of the Agency. IAC aims to achieve the best outcomes for all children who are placed for adoption.

IAC's unique information and advice line services for adoptive families, adopted people and adoption professionals are supported by a sound information database and appropriately qualified and experienced advisors and facilitators, some of whom have personal experience of adoption.

The Agency works in partnership with local authorities and other VAAs, through subscription and service level agreements to provide, with a minimum of delay, specialist preparation and assessment services for prospective intercountry adopters, those who are adopting again and kinship intercountry adopters.

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Support to local authority and VAA adoption professionals themselves is provided through a range of dedicated services. Each subscribing agency has access to:

- the Advice Line
- a regular Subscribers' Bulletin
- online publications on the subscriber pages of IAC's website
- a Practitioners' Network which meets three times each year to provide a forum for discussion, debate and peer support, and
- intercountry adoption consultation and training for their adoption professionals and adoption panel members (including legal and medical advisors)

IAC's services aim to ensure that the potential life-long needs of all children placed for adoption are understood, and that the ethnic, cultural, religious and linguistic heritage of the children is fully recognised and positively valued. The services are also informed by the outcomes of research, by practice wisdom, by the perspectives of all parties to the adoption circle and by training which the Agency provides for its staff.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Information of matters of concern to employees is given through information bulletins and reports which seek to achieve a common awareness on the part of all employees of the financial and economic factors affecting the agency's performance.

Applications for employment by people with disability are always fully considered, bearing in mind the aptitudes of the applicant concerned. It is the policy of the charity that the training, career development and promotion of people with disability should, as far as possible, be identical to that of other employees.

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Achievements and performance

Service and Achievements

The Department for Education grant funding to IAC in respect of its programme to regionalise adoption, was first made available to the Agency in 2015/16 and continued into the year 2016-17. This has enabled the Agency to advance the development of the national framework for intercountry adoption, inbound, in collaboration with the voluntary adoption agencies Adoption Matters, ARC Adoption NE, and Nugent Adoption. It has also supported IAC to establish the new information, advice and consultation service for local authority social work and legal practitioners involved in the permanent placement of their looked after children with relatives or other people with whom they are connected, overseas. The regionalisation grant is expected to continue to year end 2017-18.

In establishing partnerships with States of origin towards adoption by prospective adopters across the UK, including those with additional or special needs, IAC is manifesting its commitment to finding families for those children overseas with adoption plans for whom no suitable families can be found in their original countries. The Ministry of Education and Science, the adoption central authority of Kazakhstan accredited IAC as a foreign partner Agency in November 2016 and in March 2017 the Ministry of Justice recognised IAC as an NGO with permission to open a representative office in that country.

Ofsted conducted an inspection of IAC in March 2017 as a result of which IAC was found to be outstanding in all judgements and there were no recommendations.

Key appointments have been made at management, senior practitioner and administrative levels to better support the further growth in intercountry adoption activity, and to provide for the demand for the conversion of approved prospective adopters' applications from intercountry to domestic adoption. The latter constitutes IAC's recruitment activities for the domestic placement of children of BME and Asian heritage and children of dual heritage, including those with additional needs and in sibling groups.

The Agency has become established in the delivery of domestic services alongside its intercountry adoption specialism. IAC has collaborated with other small voluntary adoption agencies in SAMS the specialist adoption matching service, in both piloting this service and in developing tools to improve practice.

Since April 2016 to the date of this report, 15 children (11 in 2016/17 and 4 in 2017/18), all of whom are defined as harder to place, have been placed domestically with 13 families, this includes 2 sets of sibling groups of 2. In the same period, 57 children have been placed from overseas (36 in 2016/17 and 21 in 2017/18) and are now living with their adoption families in the UK.

The Advice Line, which was the Agency's very first charitable activity, continues to be well used and in addition to the information and advice it offers to prospective adopters, established adopters and adoption professionals in other organisations, it is playing an ever-increasing role in the support of prospective adopters who are receiving an assessment service through IAC.

Between 1st April 2016 and the date of this report 4,279 contacts (2724 in 2016/17 and 1555 to date in 2017/18) were made with IAC's Advice Line.

22 local authorities have a service level agreement with IAC to provide their pre-assessment information advice and counselling service and a further 59 local authorities contract with IAC for the provision of assessment and other statutory adoption agency services on their behalf.

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In addition to the support available through the Advice Line, IAC provides support to adopters after approval through a Team Manager and senior practitioners dedicated to that role and through a series of adoption support workshops which are run throughout each year to support approved adopters waiting to be matched with a child from overseas and those with children in placement.

IAC offers consultation and counselling following placement and its staff is trained in a range of therapeutic techniques in order to better support adoptive families. IAC also collaborates with adoption support agencies and with professionals from disciplines, other than social work, to which adopters may be sign-posted for the support they need.

The Board of Trustees wishes to express its continuing thanks and admiration to Gill Haworth, the Chief Executive, the management, staff and volunteers for their outstanding achievements.

Plans for the future

The Agency has continued the development of a national framework for intercountry adoption in England in collaboration with other voluntary adoption agencies. This framework has now launched and there are plans to increase the geographical areas in which the ICA RAA delivers intercountry adoption services as the other regional adoption agencies go live. The Agency aims to secure the sustainability of the "Outbound Permanence" service through subscription by English local authorities.

Support to families before, during and after adoption is provided either by the Agency directly, through arrangements with the consortia of which IAC is in membership to access adoption support services for adoptive parents and their children, or through signposting to other generic or specialist adoption services. The regionalisation grant has supported the appointment of an Adoption Support Co-ordinator to collaborate with other service providers in order to develop further the range and reach of adoption support provision consistent with demand from service users, taking into account the availability of support in other parts of the sector.

IAC has continued to advocate for change where inequality of service provision exists for intercountry adoptive families when compared to their domestic peers.

IAC will continue to seek opportunities to contribute to professional training for the adoption workforce.

The coming year will be characterised by further change to the adoption landscape and IAC will be seeking to ensure its service users continue to receive quality services in the best interests of the children whom they will or have adopted from wherever they are placed.

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Financial review

Principal Funding Sources

Fees from services to intercountry adopters grew by 46% (2016: 47%) in the period, reflecting continuing growth in assessment services. Fees from subscribing agencies and other Local Authorities grew in the period by 51% (2016: 7% reduction) partially as a result of an increase in inter-agency fees from Local Authorities on the placement for adoption of domestically looked-after children.

Grants of £141,706 (2016: £73,218) from the Department for Education were awarded and paid during the period in support of the charity's adoption activities.

Income from other fundraising activities was £10,734 (2016: £9,422). The Trustees express their gratitude to all donors.

A £100,000 three-year development loan from CAF Venturesome, a subsidiary of the charity's bankers CAF Bank, was granted in February 2014 to support the growth of the charity and to assist in the smoothing of cash flow caused by receivables due from Local Authorities. The loan was repayable in 36 instalments commencing in the month of the first drawdown. This loan was fully repaid in February 2017. In June 2016, CAF Venturesome extended further working capital loan facilities of £100,000, IAC used this facility to enhance the operational team and systems commensurate with the Agency's increased and increasing adoption activity. The loan is repayable in 36 instalments commencing in the month of the first drawdown. As at the date of this report, the value of outstanding indebtedness in respect of this facility was £55,195.

Reserves

At 31 March 2017, unrestricted reserves were £91,912 (2016: £41,599). Restricted reserves, related to Department for Education grants as described above, were Nil (2016: £8,323).

Reserves as at 31 March 2017 represent less than one month's expenditure in the current period (2017 - 2018). As income is characterised by peaks and troughs during the annual cycle, the Trustees have determined that the reserves target should be at the level of 3 months' committed expenditure. Budgeted committed expenditure in the 2017 - 2018 financial year is in excess of £1.79m, and therefore target reserves are a challenging £450,000 as at 31 March 2018.

Realistically target reserves will not be achieved by March 2018, and future budgets will continue to make provision for suitable on-going year-on-year increases in reserves.

Risk Management

Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the organisation. The Agency has the appropriate level of insurance to meet its obligations in respect of employees and members of the public and otherwise has a Business Continuity Plan to cover extreme eventualities. The trustees have assessed major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such major risks.

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Structure, governance and management

Legal and administrative information

Intercountry Adoption Centre (IAC) was incorporated under its original name Overseas Adoption Helpline on 26 March 1997 as a private company limited by guarantee with the company number 3344762. It has no share capital but each member undertakes, in the event of winding up, to contribute up to £10 towards the cost and expenses of winding up. The company was registered as a charity, number 1067313, with the Charity Commissioners on 9 January 1998.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which determines the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. The governing documents were last amended on 9 January 2014 to reflect borrowing powers.

The charitable company was registered with the Commission for Social Care Inspection (CSCI) as an Adoption Support Agency (ASA) on 23 March 2006.

On 7 November 2008 the charitable company was registered as a Voluntary Adoption Agency (VAA) with the Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills (Ofsted), and simultaneously relinquished its ASA registration. The VAA Registration Number is SC386048. In April 2012, the terms of the Agency's registration were extended to include domestic adoption. Gill Haworth is registered with Ofsted as the Responsible Individual for the VAA.

Intercountry Adoption Centre amended its trading name to 'IAC - The Centre for Adoption' from spring 2015 to better reflect the diversification of its activities.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were:

Jeremy Muller	(Resigned 25 January 2017)
Katherine Samwell Smith	(Resigned 19 October 2016)
Kathy Pring	
Anastasia Ansell	(Appointed 4 November 2015)
Frances Petterson	(Appointed 27 January 2016)
Tabitha Northrup	(Appointed 27 April 2016)
Barbara Hudson	(Appointed 19 October 2016)

Activities

IAC's current activities are to provide:

- information, counselling, preparation, assessment and other adoption services to prospective intercountry adopters resident in its catchment areas, including in local authorities with which IAC has entered into a service level agreement;
- information, counselling and preparation for prospective adopters who wish to adopt domestically in the UK, including approved intercountry adopters who decide to convert to domestic adoption;
- information, advice, counselling, consultation and training on intercountry adoption matters to other prospective intercountry adopters and established adoptive families who are referred to IAC for those services by local authorities and other adoption agencies;
- consultation and training to adoption professionals working in the field of intercountry adoption;
- enhanced support to prospective adopters in the matching process and in the overseas adoption process, through IAC's special programmes in States of origin where the Agency operates as a foreign partner agency – Bulgaria, China, India, Kazakhstan, South Africa, and The Philippines
- adoption support to adoptive families before, during and after adoption
- information, advice and consultation to local authorities seeking to place looked after children with relatives or connected people living outside the UK.

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Organisational Structure

The Board of Trustees meets quarterly and is responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity and for monitoring the management and outcomes of the Agency's services. Board members are drawn from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity. The Chief Executive who is also the Responsible Individual of the VAA registered with Ofsted, and the Registered Manager also sit on the Board but have no voting rights.

A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rests with the Chief Executive. The Chief Executive is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and that key performance indicators are met. She is assisted by the Operations Director and a team of operational managers who report to the Operations Director. The operational managers meet, at least annually, with the Trustees.

IAC operates from Barnet, north London. However, services are commissioned by local authorities, VAAs and other organisations throughout the UK. Services are, therefore, on occasion, delivered offsite.

The Agency is assisted by a multidisciplinary Advisory Panel, whose members are consulted when required. The panel currently comprises legal advisors, medical advisors, notary public, research and literature and human resources advisors.

IAC's "central list" from which its Adoption Panel is drawn has 15 members of diverse heritage, of whom many have personal experience of adoption, in addition to the Panel's legal and panel advisors

IAC's social workers are experienced in both domestic and intercountry adoption. Some are also adoptive parents and a significant number were raised overseas and have direct experience of migration.

Relationships with other organisations and related parties

As at the date of this report, IAC provides subscription services to 19 local authorities. This gives subscribers' adoption personnel access to advice, publications, professional consultation and training, and their intercountry adopters' access to IAC's full range of adoption support services. 81 further local authorities have commissioned the Agency, under service level agreements, to provide either intercountry adoption information, advice and counselling services only or those services in addition to intercountry adoption assessments and other adoption Agency services, for their residents. The ICA RAA has launched and further agreements with regional adoption agencies are anticipated. A scheme of local authority subscription to the new "outbound permanence" project is in prospect.

IAC is a member of a number of umbrella organisations including the Consortium of Voluntary Adoption Agencies, the Consortium of Adoption Support Agencies, the West London Adoption and Permanence Consortium, the South East Post Adoption Network and is an associate member of the North London Adoption and Fostering Consortium and of Euradopt, the association of European accredited adoption agencies, IAC's Chief Executive is Chair of the Network for Intercountry Adoption and is the UK representative on the Council of Euradopt. IAC is represented at meetings of Department for Education's Adoption Stakeholder Group.

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees, who are also the directors of Intercountry Adoption Centre for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

Auditors

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Westbury be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the board of trustees

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Barbara Hudson

Trustee

Dated:

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION CENTRE

We have audited the accounts of Intercountry Adoption Centre for the year ended 31 March 2017 set out on pages 11 to 21. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102.

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 regulations made under that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditor

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities set out on pages 1 - 8, the trustees, who are also the directors of Intercountry Adoption Centre for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the accounts in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the accounts

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the accounts sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the accounts. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Trustees' Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited accounts and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on accounts.

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2017 and of its 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 requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Report for the financial year for which the accounts are prepared is consistent with the accounts.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE MEMBERS OF INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION CENTRE

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the accounts 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.

Other matter

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared accounts 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

Mr Keith Graham (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Westbury

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Statutory Auditor

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	10,734	141,706	152,440	82,640
Charitable activities	3	1,521,953	-	1,521,953	1,022,059
Investments	4	161	-	161	759
Total income		1,532,848	141,706	1,674,554	1,105,458
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds	5	1,770	-	1,770	2,473
Charitable activities	6	1,480,765	150,029	1,630,794	1,115,742
Total resources expended		1,482,535	150,029	1,632,564	1,118,215
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		50,313	(8,323)	41,990	(12,757)
Fund balances at 1 April 2016		41,599	8,323	49,922	62,679
Fund balances at 31 March 2017		91,912	-	91,912	49,922

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2017

	Notes	2017		2016	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		25,051		24,011
Current assets					
Debtors	13	413,358		297,945	
Cash at bank and in hand		98,169		87,879	
		<u>511,527</u>		<u>385,824</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	<u>(367,915)</u>		<u>(326,753)</u>	
Net current assets			143,612		59,071
Total assets less current liabilities			168,663		83,082
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16		(76,751)		(33,160)
Net assets			<u>91,912</u>		<u>49,922</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds	17		-		8,323
Unrestricted funds			91,912		41,599
			<u>91,912</u>		<u>49,922</u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on

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Barbara Hudson
Trustee

Company Registration No. 03344762

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

	Notes	2017 £	£	2016 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	19		(9,835)		65,946
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(23,627)		(447)	
Interest received		161		759	
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities			(23,466)		312
Financing activities					
Repayment of bank loans		43,591		(33,999)	
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities			43,591		(33,999)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			10,290		32,259
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			87,879		55,620
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Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			98,169		87,879
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Intercountry Adoption Centre is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 22 Union Street, Barnet, Hertfordshire, EN5 4HZ.

1.1 Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

1.3 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Income from government grants is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

1.4 Resources expended

All expenditure is included on an accrual basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for expenditure.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.5 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures, fittings & equipment	33% per annum - straight line basis
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1.6 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualifies as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.9 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

1.10 Governance costs

Governance costs included costs of the preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice regarding governance or constitutional matters.

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2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2017	Total 2016
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	10,734	-	10,734	9,422
Government grants	-	141,706	141,706	73,218
	<u>10,734</u>	<u>141,706</u>	<u>152,440</u>	<u>82,640</u>
For the year ended 31 March 2016	<u>9,422</u>	<u>73,218</u>		<u>82,640</u>

3 Charitable activities

	Services to adopters	Fees and services to professionals	Total 2017	Total 2016
	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources from charitable activities	<u>838,233</u>	<u>683,720</u>	<u>1,521,953</u>	<u>1,022,059</u>

4 Investments

	2017	2016
	£	£
Interest receivable	<u>161</u>	<u>759</u>

5 Raising funds

	2017	2016
	£	£
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>		
Other fundraising costs	<u>1,770</u>	<u>2,473</u>
	<u>1,770</u>	<u>2,473</u>
For the year ended 31 March 2016		
Fundraising and publicity		<u>2,473</u>

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6 Charitable activities

	2017 £	2016 £
Staff costs	1,196,069	826,896
Depreciation and impairment	22,587	15,691
Charitable direct expenditure	138,760	85,961
	<u>1,357,416</u>	<u>928,548</u>
Share of support costs (see note 7)	265,717	183,849
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	7,661	3,345
	<u>1,630,794</u>	<u>1,115,742</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	1,480,765	
Restricted funds	150,029	
	<u>1,630,794</u>	
For the year ended 31 March 2016		
Unrestricted funds		1,050,847
Restricted funds		64,895
		<u>1,115,742</u>

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7 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2017 £	2016 £	Basis of allocation
Staff costs (Unrestricted funds)	55,351	-	55,351	28,187	
Staff costs (Restricted funds)	3,654	-	3,654	9,667	
Building and office costs (Unrestricted fund)	145,330	-	145,330	113,545	
Building and office costs (Restricted costs)	-	-	-	1,900	
Bank Charges	7,264	-	7,264	4,052	
General office expenses	8,631	-	8,631	6,174	
Travelling	45,488	-	45,488	20,324	
Audit fees	-	3,500	3,500	2,500	Governance
Travelling	-	1,179	1,179	250	Governance
Legal and professional	-	2,981	2,981	595	Governance
	<u>265,717</u>	<u>7,661</u>	<u>273,377</u>	<u>187,194</u>	
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>265,717</u>	<u>7,661</u>	<u>273,377</u>	<u>187,194</u>	

Governance costs includes payments to the auditors of £3,500 (2016: £2,500) for audit fees.

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

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9 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number employees during the year was:

2017 Number	2016 Number
34	20

Employment costs

	2017 £	2016 £
Wages and salaries	517,644	422,415

10 Taxation

No taxation has been provided in the financial statements because, as a registered charity, it applies all income to its charitable objective and is exempt in accordance with Sections 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1998

11 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2016	84,394
Additions	23,627
At 31 March 2017	108,021
Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 April 2016	60,383
Depreciation charged in the year	22,587
At 31 March 2017	82,970
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2017	25,051
At 31 March 2016	24,011

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12	Financial instruments		2017	2016
			£	£
	Carrying amount of financial assets			
	Debt instruments measured at amortised cost		399,858	280,966
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Carrying amount of financial liabilities			
	Measured at amortised cost		422,631	330,266
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
13	Debtors		2017	2016
			£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year:			
	Trade debtors		325,475	215,294
	Other debtors		74,383	65,672
	Prepayments and accrued income		13,500	16,979
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
			413,358	297,945
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
14	Loans and overdrafts		2017	2016
			£	£
	Bank loans		76,751	33,160
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Payable after one year		76,751	33,160
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
15	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		2017	2016
			£	£
	Other taxation and social security		22,035	29,647
	Trade creditors		174,295	110,847
	Other creditors		98,804	114,602
	Accruals and deferred income		72,781	71,657
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
			367,915	326,753
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
16	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		2017	2016
			£	£
	Bank loans	Notes	76,751	33,160
		14	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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17 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 April 2016	Movement in funds		Balance at 31 March 2017
	£	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	£
Department of Education	8,323	141,706	(150,029)	-

18 Related party transactions

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.

	2017 £	2016 £
Aggregate compensation	75,000	74,167

19 Cash generated from operations

	2017 £	2016 £
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	41,990	(12,756)
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(161)	(759)
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	22,587	15,691
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase) in debtors	(115,413)	(22,922)
Increase in creditors	41,162	86,692
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	(9,835)	65,946