

# **CHRISTIAN ACTION UK**

Christian Action UK is a UK registered charity (No. 1120576)

Christian Action UK is also incorporated as a Private Limited Company (No. 06124672)

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## **ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE TRUSTEES OF CHRISTIAN ACTION UK FOR THE PERIOD TO 31 MARCH 2019**

1. The Trustees have pleasure in submitting their annual report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019.

### **BACKGROUND**

2. Christian Action was founded in Hong Kong in 1985 as a Christian, not for profit, non-government organization to promote the welfare of the poor and disadvantaged with particular emphasis upon displaced persons, irrespective of race, sex, religion or nationality. Over the years it has expanded its areas of service in Hong Kong to include Refugee and Asylum Seekers, Employees Retraining Program, New Arrivals Program, Domestic Helpers and Migrant Workers Program, and Integrated Services for Ethnic Minorities. In 1997 a Mainland China Program was begun in Qinghai Province, in western China, focused on Child Welfare and Poverty Alleviation. In response to the growth and needs of the China program over the previous years, it was decided to found Christian Action UK to support this program.

### **PURPOSE/OBJECTIVES**

3. The purpose of Christian Action UK is to raise interest, support, and finance for the work of Christian Action in Qinghai Province, China. Particularly the care of orphaned, handicapped, and abandoned children in the co management of Xining Children's Home and Rehabilitation Centre, and in 6 new orphanages built on the Qinghai Plateau. Also to support the development of the poverty alleviation program on the Qinghai Plateau in the building of homes, schools, and clinics for the poorest, semi nomadic, Tibetan people.

### **STRUCTURE & GOVERNANCE**

4. The Charity is constituted as a limited company governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association. The activities of the Charity are directed and controlled by a Board of Trustees (currently eight), one of whom also acts as the Charity secretary. Individuals, or organizations, may be co-opted in support for particular projects as required.

Individual Trustees have experience of the Far East and a heart for the work of the Charity. New Trustees have to be approved by the Board. Christian Action Hong Kong is entitled to nominate two members of the Board of Christian Action UK.

## **AIM and OBJECTIVES**

5. Aims, objectives and activities are reviewed annually. This review looks at achievements and outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months, and the benefits achieved for those we support in China. The review also helps us ensure our aims, objectives and activities remained focused on our stated purposes. We refer to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities, and how those activities will contribute to our aims and objectives.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

6. The results of the company/charity for the year ended 31 March 2019, and state of the company's/charity's affairs at that date, are set out in the financial statements on pages 4-6.

Under the terms of the Charities Act 2006, we are a charitable company with an income less than £90,000 and assets less than £2.8m. The charity has no specific policy on the holding of reserves as, other than for administrative and promotional purposes, all monies held are earmarked in support of projects outlined in paragraph 3 above.

## **TRUSTEES**

7. The management of Christian Action UK is undertaken by a Board of Trustees. During the period the membership of the Board has been:-

Mr. Nigel Oakes — Trustee and Chair  
Mr. Tony Crawshaw— Trustee and Company Secretary  
Mrs. Cheung-Ang Siew Mei – Trustee  
Mrs. Susie Perkin — Trustee  
Mr. Julian Myrans — Trustee  
Mr. Julian Walsh — Trustee  
Mr. Mark Brooks — Trustee  
Mr. Alan Cheung — Trustee

8. At no time during the year was the company/charity a party to any arrangement to enable the Trustees of the company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of an interest in the company, or any other corporate body. No contract of any kind to which the company was a party and in which a Trustee had a material interest existed at the end of the year or at any time during the year. No Trustees have received any financial remuneration from the company/charity.

## **ACTIVITIES**

9. During the past year the Board held informal working group meetings several times in the year in UK and Hong Kong to continue the development of Christian Action UK, and to raise interest, support, and finance for the China Program of Christian Action. The following actions have been conducted:

- a. Supported with publicity and finance the work of Christian Action in the five Children's homes in the Qinghai province of China.
- b. Developed a wider mailing list and list of donors and distributed a monthly e-mail update newsletter to keep them informed of CA work in China.
- c. Minimise operational costs by not employing part time fund raisers to obtain support from Trusts, Corporate organizations, and Individuals. Instead the Trustees took responsibility themselves whilst leveraging the expertise of the Hong Kong office.
- d. Board members:  
The board conducted various key fundraising speaking events mainly with church groups and ran exhibitions to advertise and promote the needs of Christian Action.

## FUTURE

10. The Charity and Company of Christian Action UK has a Board appointed to direct it, and a web site, weekly blog and publicity material to support it. Having established a database and supporters list, our plans are to seek to expand the interest and increase the donor base. The needs are great, the task is clear, the Christian Action China program is expanding, and having established Christian Action UK as a Charity and Company, we are looking to develop our purpose of raising greater interest, support, and financial support to improve the well being of many disabled and disadvantaged children in the Qinghai province of China.

By order of the Board

Mr. N. F. Oakes  
Chair of Board  
On behalf of the Christian Action UK

Signature

Date ..... 31/11/19 .....

Christian Action UK  
Financial Statement  
For the period from 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019

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**Income**

Donation	6,033.62
Donation: CAF UK for CAHK	-
Interest Received	3.75
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	6,037.37

**Expenses**

Bank Charges	-
Consultancy fees	-
Miscellaneous	13.00
Fundraising Event Costs	-
Grants to CAHK Qinghai	-
CAF UK grant for CA HK	-
Postage	-
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	13.00
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Surplus for the year	<u><u>6,024.37</u></u>