

REPORT FOR 2024 – THE ST GEORGE’S COLLEGE JERUSALEM TRUST

The British Regional Committee of St George’s College Jerusalem met formally on four occasions in the year (either in person, via videoconference or hybrid) in February, April, October and December.

The war in Gaza and Lebanon – and security situation generally in the Middle East – imposed very considerable constraints on the main activities of the Trust. In particular, it was impossible to mount a Jerusalem Ministry Formation study pilgrimage for ministry trainees in the College, or to support any other visits for study or pilgrimage in Jerusalem and the Holy Land. The fact that these represent the main aspects of the Trust’s annual expenditure explains the very considerable excess of income over expenditure in the year. The building up of unnecessarily large reserves is no part of the Trustees’ strategy and they remain committed to enabling this pilgrimage and other involvement in the College’s activities by UK participants as soon as this is safe and practical.

An important initiative the Trust undertook in the later part of the year was to plan and launch (in early 2025) a targeted appeal to recent course alumni and other UK friends and supporters for funds to support the college through a second year in which ordinary pilgrim income has ceased. This is part of the wider, international appeal coordinated by other regional committees, under the title of ‘Let Light Shine in the Darkness’. The Trustees will be monitoring the success of this appeal through 2025.

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Date

St George's College Jerusalem Trust

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Financial Activity for the year ending December 31st 2024

INCOMING

Source of income

Gift Aided gifts	£2,740.00
HMRC return	£710.00
JMECA support	£6,900.00
Westminster Abbey support	£12,101.29
General non GA gifts	£7,464.78
From CCLA deposit fund	£3,123.69
Yield on CCLA investment a/c	£585.66
TOTAL income	<u>£33,625.42</u>

OUTGOING

General expenditure

Committee travel expenses	£496.96
Miscellaneous (webspace renewal, room booking, postage)	£213.07
TOTAL expenditure	<u>£710.03</u>

Current assets on 31st December 2024

In Nat West bank account	£46,545.52
In CCLA investment account	£26,511.17
In CCLA deposit account	£49,742.43
TOTAL assets	<u>£121,799.12</u>

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
ST. GEORGE'S COLLEGE JERUSALEM TRUST (Reg. Charity No.1000873)**

I report regarding the accounts of the St. George's College Jerusalem Trust for the year ending 31st December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year, under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, to follow the procedures laid down in the general direction given by the Charity Commission (under section 145[5b]) of the Charities Act, and to state whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in the requirements
 - i) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - ii) to prepare accounts with accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name



Date

3rd February 2025

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