

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 02526826 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1005852**

**Report of the Trustees and**  
**Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**  
**for**  
**Bishopric of Public Ecumenical and**  
**Social Services UK**

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**Bishopric of Public Ecumenical and  
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for the year ended 31 December 2024**

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**Bishopric of Public Ecumenical and  
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**Report of the Trustees  
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions 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 Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives and aims**

The charity's objectives continued to be that of the advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the tenets and doctrines of the Coptic Orthodox Church, for the advancement of education and for the relief of poverty in the United Kingdom and overseas.

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance in relation to Public Benefit issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake. The Trustees are of the opinion that it has fully complied with all such guidance.

**Grantmaking**

The Trustees have complete discretion to pay any grants which fall within the charity's objectives. The Trustees meet annually to discuss and approve existing and new grants. They also communicate with each other at other times for this purpose should the need arise.

**ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

**Achievements and performance**

Despite the difficulties and challenges faced in 2023, the charity managed to obtain overall good results.

The congregation of the Coptic community in UK faced huge demands for other charitable causes inside and outside UK. In spite of that, donations collected in the year were £118,189 compared with 91,773 in 2023.

Despite this, the charity to gave a lower level of grants in 2024 of £60,540 (2023: £135,000) to its related charity with common trustees based in Egypt however, it was able to maintain the same level of services provided as those provided in 2024. In addition, the charity gave out grants of £24,000 (2023: £24,000) to assist with funds towards marriages in the event that lack of such funds is causing hardship.

The charity did not make new loans in the year ended 31 December 2024 (2023: Nil) to support families with medical emergencies. At the year end, there is no amount (2023: Nil) due from Bishopric of Ecumenical and Social Services Egypt. For further information see note 6.

In 2024 the charity intends to use some of the funds, kept for emergencies in the bank, to help extend services to new areas not serviced before.

The charity prides itself that running of the charity continues to be done by volunteers who are not remunerated.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Financial review**

During the year ended 31 December 2024, the charity received donations to the value of £118,189 (2023: £91,773) and gift aid refunds of £13,358 (2023: £9,964). The charity incurred direct charitable expenditure of £84,540 in 2024 (2023: £144,020) and governance costs of £3,441 in 2024 (2023: £3,353) giving rise to a net surplus of £31,544.

At 31 December 2024, as shown on the Balance Sheet on page 7, the charity had unrestricted funds of £116,383 (2023: £84,839). Accordingly, the Trustees are pleased to advise that they consider the charity to have sufficient funds to meet its current and future obligations.

There is expected to be a continuing negative impact of Covid-19 on UK and global economies and charities. The Trustees believe they are taking the necessary actions to address the risks arising, and to date the charity has continued to operate effectively. Donors have maintained donations through standing order. The charity has sufficient unrestricted reserves to meet its fixed costs for the foreseeable future, at least 12 months from the date of signing of these financial statements.

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for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

**Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

The composition of the Charity's board of Trustees is reviewed regularly with a view to achieving a spread of expertise and age designed to facilitate the achievement of the Charity's objectives. The Trustees keep up to date on their responsibilities by various means, such as reviewing the Charity Commission website, reading relevant periodicals and professional advice.

**Key management personnel remuneration**

The Trustees consider the board of Trustees as comprising the key management personnel of the charity in charge of directing and controlling the charity and running and operating the charity on a day to day basis. All Trustees give of their time freely and no trustee remuneration or reimbursement of expenses was paid in the year.

**Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The charity is dependent on significant donations in order to continue making grants. Thus the major risk to the charity's ability to achieve its primary aims is failure to receive those donations. The Trustees mitigate this risk by holding a level of reserves approximately in line with average annual expenditure.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

02526826 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1005852

**Registered office**

29 Middle Field  
London  
NW8 6ND

**Trustees**

G M Girgis  
Dr I H Tadros

The custodian of the charity was:

Bishop Yolios

None of the Trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the Trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of winding up.

The Trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to any significant risks.

**Company Secretary**

Dr I H Tadros

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Independent Examiner**

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on .....01.07.2025..... and signed on its behalf by:

*George Girgis*

.....  
G M Girgis - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Bishopric of Public Ecumenical and  
Social Services UK**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Bishopric of Public Ecumenical and Social Services UK ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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 the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and 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.



Jeremy Harrod FCCA  
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date: ..... 1/7/25 .....

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**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted fund £	2023 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies		118,189	91,773
Investment income	2	1,336	940
<b>Total</b>		119,525	92,713
 <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable activities		87,981	147,373
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		31,544	(54,660)
 <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		84,839	139,499
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		116,383	84,839

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet  
31 December 2024**

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted fund £	2023 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		116,383	84,839
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		116,383	84,839
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		116,383	84,839
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		116,383	84,839
<b>FUNDS</b>	6		
Unrestricted funds		116,383	84,839
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		116,383	84,839

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on .....01.07.2025..... and were signed on its behalf by:

*George Girgis*  
.....  
G M Girgis - Trustee

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**2. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	1,336	940

**3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023
	£	£
The auditing of accounts of any associate of the charity	3,000	3,000

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	
Donations and legacies	91,773
Investment income	940
<b>Total</b>	92,713
 <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>	
<b>Charitable activities</b>	
Charitable activities	147,373
 <b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	(54,660)
 <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>	
Total funds brought forward	139,499
 <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	84,839

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.1.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	84,839	31,544	116,383
 <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	84,839	31,544	116,383

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	119,525	(87,981)	31,544
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>119,525</u>	<u>(87,981)</u>	<u>31,544</u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	139,499	(54,660)	84,839
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>139,499</u>	<u>(54,660)</u>	<u>84,839</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	92,713	(147,373)	(54,660)
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>92,713</u>	<u>(147,373)</u>	<u>(54,660)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	139,499	(23,116)	116,383
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>139,499</u>	<u>(23,116)</u>	<u>116,383</u>

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**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	212,238	(235,354)	(23,116)
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>212,238</u>	<u>(235,354)</u>	<u>(23,116)</u>

**7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

During the year the charity paid grants to a charity with a common trustee that operates in Egypt £84,540 (2023: £144,020). The related charity, Bishopric of Ecumenical and Social Services Egypt is related through having common trustees that are able to exert control over the operations of the charity. Donations were received from the trustees during the year totalling £80,936 (2023: £81,808).

**8. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY**

Bishopric of Public Ecumenical and Social Services UK is not controlled by any one individual or group of individuals.