Olive Harvest Trust

Trustees' Annual Report
for the period: 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name:	The Olive Harvest Trust
Charity number:	1165662
Office address:	18 Oakhill Place, London SW15 2QN
Website:	https://oliveharvesttrust.org/

Charity Trustees:

Kathryn Elizabeth Brown (appointed as a Trustee and as Chair 10 March 2025)
Andrew Eastaugh (resigned as Chair 10 March 2025)
Melanie Coyne
Fiona Dunlop
Margaret Foyer
Neil Irving (appointed as a Trustee 10 March 2025)
Jennifer Kelly
Peter Liddell (resigned as a Trustee on 30 November 2025)
Mary Saunders
Stuart Sweeney

Bankers:	CAF Bank Limited 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ
Independent Examiner:	David Howard, Chartered Accountants 1 Park Road, Hampton Wick, Kingston Upon Thames, Surrey KT1 4AS.

Structure, Governance, and Management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Foundation model), registered on 22 February 2016.

Trustees are appointed by a resolution passed at a meeting of the trustees. New trustees are selected based on their relevant experience and undergo an induction process covering Charity Commission guidance. Trustees register themselves for updates to changes to regulations and best practice from The Charity Commission.

None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from employment with the Charity.

The Trustees held four meetings during the year, three on Zoom and one in person including a strategy workshop, as well as communicating regularly by email.

Objectives and Activities

The charitable objects were amended, with the agreement of the Charity Commission, on 3 November 2025 to include “providing school feeding schemes for school pupils”.

The current charitable objects are:

Advancing education for the public benefit by the provision of support or equipment for schools in the Occupied Palestinian Territories, particularly but not exclusively in the rural areas of South Nablus in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including by:

1. Providing equipment for the delivery of the school curriculum where government resources are inadequate. These may include computers and related items, science equipment classroom furniture and books.
2. Providing equipment for sports and physical training.
3. Providing additional resources for specialist or support teachers.
4. Providing school feeding schemes for school pupils.
5. Providing financial assistance to certain individual students to enable them to study outside of Palestine.

The main activities undertaken for public benefit are:

- Providing funding to improve the security and buildings of schools in Burin and Madama.
- Providing funding for a university student in Palestine, who needed a specialised computer for her studies.
- Providing funding to develop and implement a scheme serving a free school breakfast to some of the youngest and most vulnerable school children in Madama.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity’s aims and objectives and in planning future activities. The benefits provided are directly linked to the educational advancement of vulnerable children and young people and are not restricted by any unreasonable barriers.

Achievements and Performance

In 2025, The Olive Harvest Trust has continued its work to advance education in the rural areas of South Nablus in the Occupied Palestinian Territories by funding five projects:

- Burin School security equipment £4130.
- Madama Boys School wall mural £1375.

- Specialised computer for a university architecture student £983.
- Burin School new staff and stock rooms £5213.
- Madama School feeding scheme development and implementation £9000.

There have been increases in the restrictive measures implemented by the Israeli occupation and the proliferation of checkpoints and army and settler attacks in the rural areas of the OPT. Settler attacks on schools are a particular problem and we supported a request for security equipment at Burin Boys School and Agricultural College to provide warning for teachers and pupils if settlers or the IDF were approaching.

In these difficult times, it is also important to enhance the daily life of students and pupils and we provided funding for a playground wall mural as part of a renovation project at Madama Boys School.

We assisted a University architecture student, who needed a specialised computer for her studies.

The women's staff room at Madama School was very cramped and a plan was put forward to build a new stockroom on the side of the school and extend the staff room into the existing stock room. After some discussion among the Trustees, it was agreed that the cost would be split between existing funds of the Olive Harvest Trust and additional donations with Gift Aid from two of the Trustees.

In Madama we supported the development and implementation of free breakfast scheme feeding 234 children in the youngest grades 1 to 4. The economy in Palestine is in a dire state. The Israeli government is withholding Palestinian tax revenues and teachers are currently only receiving half their salaries. The olive harvest, which many depend on, was a disaster due to settler violence. Most permits to work in Israel have been cancelled and frequent lockdown and road closures stifle the economy. The school breakfast scheme provides a healthy start to the day while also supporting local farmers, boosting the local economy and offering employment. We want to continue to support this scheme in future years.

Financial Review

Total incoming resources for the year were £48,782, a very significant increase from £23,000 in 2024. This year's income included £10,000 from the Limbourne Trust, £3,000 from Andrew Eastaugh and a matching amount of £3,000 from Mercers' Company.

Total expenditure for the year was £20,772, slightly down from £22,407 in 2024. £20,712 of the 2025 expenditure was grants to support five projects in Palestine.

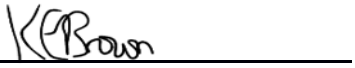
The Trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves sufficient to enable the Charity to continue its existing commitments and respond to urgent requests for support should fundraising income temporarily reduce. During the year, the Charity commenced support

for a school breakfast programme and recognises the importance of providing continuity of funding for this initiative.
At 31 December 2025, the Charity held total funds of £41,647. Included within this balance is £30,509 of restricted funds relating primarily to monies raised and received for the Madama School Feeding Scheme. These funds are not available for general charitable purposes and will be applied in accordance with the restrictions under which they were received. The Trustees will continue to review their reserves requirements annually.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved this Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:

Signature: 

Full Name:
Kathryn Brown

Date:2/10/2025

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name The Olive Harvest Trust		
On accounts for the year ended	31/12/2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1165662
Set out on pages	Page 1-2		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

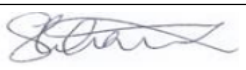
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* *Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:		**Date:**	29/10/2026
Name:	Siobhan Glenister FCCA		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Association of Chartered Certified Accountants		
Address:	1 Park Road, Hampton Wick Kingston Upon Thames, Surrey KT1 4AS		

Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/01/2025		31/12/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and GiftAid	9,236	39,509	-	48,745	21,729
		-	-	-	1,214
Interest	36	-	-	36	37
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	9,272	39,509	-	48,781	22,980
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	9,272	39,509	-	48,781	22,980
A3 Payments					
Burin School security equipment	4,130	-	-	4,130	-
Madama Boys School wall and mural	1,375	-	-	1,375	-
Madama School feeding scheme	-	9,000	-	9,000	-
Computer for an architecture student	983	-	-	983	-
Burin School new stock room	5,213	-	-	5,213	-
CAF monthly fees	60	-	-	60	60
Grants to schools in the West Bank					22,233
British Palestine Friendship and					
Twinning Network. Subs.					35
Revolut fee for image	-	-	-	-	79
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,761	9,000	-	20,761	22,407
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	11,761	9,000	-	20,761	22,407
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,489	30,509	-	28,020	573
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	13,627	-	-	13,627	13,054
Cash funds this year end	11,138	30,509	-	41,647	13,627

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF bank account	11,014	21,509	-
	Cash in hand	124	9,000	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	11,138	30,509	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	S O Sweeney	S O Sweeney	29/09/2026
	K C Brown	Kathryn Brown	**02/10/2026**