



Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2015

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Registered charity no. 1121297

The Nottingham Arimathea Trust

Year ended 31 December 2015

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About Nottingham Arimathea Trust

The Nottingham Arimathea Trust was assisted in the initial set up, by the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham of the Church of England. The trust's mission was to provide accommodation for asylum seekers whose cases have been refused. Initially one house was allocated from surplus housing stock from the Diocese and this was then expanded to two houses and reduced down to one house in 2014. The trust has since grown from support from Framework Housing Association, the City Parish and private landlords and now has a total of 16 bed spaces for destitute asylum seekers, and 13 units of accommodation for refugees (comprising of singles, couples and a family).

Asylum Seekers Housing

Residents are given temporary accommodation with us during which time they are expected to work on Further Submissions for their asylum claims. By presenting a further submission or a fresh claim, it which would enable them to gain support under Section 4 or Section 95 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 and therefore lead to Home Office funded accommodation and sustenance support.

We have also referred young people to the local authority Children's Services for young people or Adult Services for adults who have health care needs beyond their immigration case difficulties. Asylum Seekers who are appeal rights exhausted (ARE) may not work and have no legal entitlement to any funds to support their housing and welfare needs (otherwise known as No Recourse to Public Funds – NRPF).

Asylum Seekers following a refusal of their claim, receive no state aid and no housing, and are entitled only to primary health care. They are thus reduced to sofa surfing or sleeping rough. Most cannot or will not return to their countries of origin, since the circumstances which caused them to flee in the first place still exist. Their mental and physical health may already be affected by torture, rape and/or the murder of family and friends and the loss of all their property.

In this country, once their initial claims are finally refused, they are forced into destitution and homelessness. As a result, it becomes increasingly difficult for them to maintain the energy necessary to keep their cases alive.

By providing even this short-term housing, the Trust hopes it can enable those with reasonable chances of successfully making Further Submissions or Fresh Asylum Claims to have the space to live with some sense of normality while concentrating on their claims.

Residents are selected strictly on the basis of need and on their chance of success in resolving their immigration difficulties, regardless of religious affiliation or any other distinctions. Nearly all our cases are referred to us by Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Refugee Forum (NNRF), or Frameworks Street Outreach Team, with whom we work closely to provide the support our residents need.

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Refugee Housing

The Trust leases 9 one-bedroomed flats from Green Pastures, who have enabled the trust to move successfully into providing accommodation for new refugees. This accommodation was recognised as exempt accommodation (supported housing) in 2014, meaning we can charge the true cost of the housing in the rents we set and these are agreed with Nottingham City Council.

The Trust additionally rents a 3 bedroomed house for refugee families (from a private landlord) and has also 3 bedrooms for single men, in a house which has 3 rooms for destitute asylum seekers and 3 rooms for refugees (this enables the Trust to pay rent on the house and the utility bills and is now our model for expanding our housing in a financially sustainable way).

Move on from refugee housing has more recently been to cheaper accommodation in shared housing, once a resident is able to secure employment. We hope to improve move on options for our residents in the coming months to other NAT provision (e.g. shared housing), the private rented sector and social housing through Housing Associations etc.

Review of the year 2015

National links

The Trust is a member of NACCOM, a nationwide network of similar organisations to NAT. NACCOM holds regular meetings for the exchange of ideas and best practice. During 2015 NACCOM decided it needed to become a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation which was realized in the summer of 2015. NAT's Project Manager is now one of eight founding trustees for NACCOM.

Staff

Our staffing team grew further in 2015. We secured additional funding for support work from Trusthouse Charitable Foundation, which the Volunteer Coordinator moved into alongside her current role and therefore works part time in each role. We then had a vacancy for a Part Time Administration & Finance Officer, which was taken up by one of volunteers. Our Project Manager (FT), Housing Maintenance Officer (FT) and Support Work Coordinator (PT) stayed on their usual hours.



Caron celebrating her 5th year at Arimathea Trust.

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The Current Staff are:

Administration & Finance Officer – Kalyani Mitra
Housing Maintenance Officer – Stef Chocholko
Volunteer Coordinator & Support Worker – Rhiannon Prideaux
Support Work Coordinator – Zainab Sulaiman
Project Manager – Caron Boulghassoul

As we are moving on with plans to expand our housing provision, one of our challenges will also be securing additional funds to ensure the management of our provision and the support work with residents. We need to ensure we have sufficient resources to ensure our management and support remains high quality and therefore meeting the needs of all our residents.

At the end of 2015 we also applied for Living Wage Foundation endorsement and this was finalized just into the new year in 2016.

Asylum Seekers Housing

In the spring of 2016 we are due to lose one house as we hand it back to Framework Housing Association. The second house which we use, we are changing to a mix of destitute asylum seekers (2 rooms) and refugees (2 rooms) so we can secure income as we move into paying rent to Framework.

At the same time, we are commencing new work with TunTum Housing Association, who have so far committed to providing 6 houses, which will be used for asylum seekers and refugees, again to ensure this is financially sustainable.

Refugee Housing

Our refugee housing remains very popular with regular enquiries from partners about the availability of accommodation. Our Housing Maintenance Officer has done a great deal of work at the flats to improve them as individual flats and also the general environment of the whole block.

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Numbers of People Housed & engaged in Person Centered Support

Nationalities of residents

The following table lists the nationality of residents we have housed since the trust started work in 2007 until 2015 and the nationalities of current residents at the end of 2014. It is no surprise that we house residents from countries experiencing turmoil or where governmental and non-governmental persecution is well known.

Nationality	Total housed since NAT began	Number (Jan-Dec 2015)	Housed Currently
Afghanistan	5		1
Algeria	3		
Burundi	1		1
China	2		
DR congo	5		
Eritrea	18	2	2
Ethiopia	2		
Gambia	3		
Guinea	2		1
India	2		1
Iran	27	6	6
Iraq	7	2	2
Ivory Coast	1		
Kenya	1		
Kuwait	1	1	1
Malawi	1		
Mongolia	1		
Morocco	1	1	
Nigeria	7	1	
Pakistan	5		
Palestine	1		
Rwanda	1		
Sierra Leone	3	1	1
Somalia	4		1
Sudan	12	2	2
Syria	17	12	11
Tanzania	1		
Togo	1		1
Turkey	1		1
Uganda	1	1	1
Zimbabwe	21	1	3
Total	158	30	36

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Lengths of stay

The following table details the lengths of stay for residents since the start of the project, residents who have moved on this year and for residents still currently accommodated at the end of 2015.

Length of stay	Total Housed since NAT began	Moved on in last 12 months	Housed currently
Less than 1 week	4		
1-4 weeks	19	2	3
2 months	15	2	7
3 months	7	2	
4 months	8	2	3
5 months	12		4
6 months	7		1
7 months	11		5
8 months	4		1
9 months	7		1
10 months	8	2	
11 months	3	2	
12 months	7	3	1
13-18 months	17	5	5
19-24 months	13	1	2
25-36 months	8	2	1
3 years +	8	1	2
TOTALS	158	24	32

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Resident move on

The following table lists the reasons why residents are able to move on from Nottingham Arimathea Trust Asylum & Refugee accommodation.

Reason for Move On	Since project started	In last 12 months
Section 4 Accommodation following Fresh Claim/ Further Submissions	38	4
Section 4 Accommodation (Pregnancy)	3	0
Section 4 Accommodation (Unfit to Travel)	1	1
Section 4 Accommodation (Voluntary Return)	3	0
Section 4 Accommodation (Statelessness)	3	2
Returned voluntarily to country of origin	2	0
Section 95 – Asylum Claim (new arrival)	12	1
Removal (Deportation)	3	0
Section 2 Mental Health Act	1	0
Section 21 – Adult Social Care	2	0
Children & Family Services (Children's Services)	2	0
Exhausted Complaints Procedure – Eviction	9	1
Moved in with friend / partner – no longer need housing	6	1
Refusal to sign with Immigration (UKBA)	1	0
HOST Nottingham – Fresh Start	1	0
Indefinite or Limited Leave to Remain	4	0
Social Housing	3	0
Nottingham City homes	8	1
University	1	0
Move to cheaper accommodation after gaining employment	4	2
Abandoned Property	1	0
Left property because of benefit sanctions	1	0
Moved to another city	4	4
Moved to another country	2	2
Moved to more suitable accommodation	7	5
TOTALS	122	24

*for residents identified as gaining leave to remain, our statistics here only reflect those residents who gain leave to remain whilst being housed by NAT. Many others we hear from the community or they come back to us and let us know when they receive this great news which allows them to plan for their futures, look for permanent accommodation and seek work, and for some also to apply for their families to join them.

Around 1/3- 1/2 of former residents we have heard have gained some form of leave to remain in the UK after leaving our accommodation.

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Resident Activities

The Trust continues to engage volunteers in mentoring & befriending residents on a 1-2-1 basis. The project is managed by the Support Work Coordinator who recruits, trains and supports the mentoring pairs. Funding from Reaching Communities pays for the meeting costs for these activities, which have huge impact on our residents enabling them to have some sense of normality in undertaking social activities every week or so. At the end of the year, we also gained funding from Boots Charitable Trust and Evan Cornish Foundation to provide additional resident activities such as increasing the mentoring & befriending, holding a weekly craft group, baking activities where residents can sell produce at community events.



2015 Christmas meal.



Day trip to Drayton Manor in June.

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Volunteering

The Trust continues to work with a great pool of volunteers supporting us with administration, mentoring & befriending, English lessons, marketing, photography, raising awareness of destitution in the community, DIY at our properties and driving / accompanying residents to appointments such as reporting with immigration in Loughborough. In 2015 more of our residents became involved in volunteering, which was a great way for them to give back to the Trust and it helped improve their sense of purpose and well-being by being more active.

Student Social Workers

In collaboration with Refugee Action and the University of Nottingham, the Trust has had a student social worker on placement who was able to provide intensive case work support to our residents working closely with the Support Work Coordinator. We also built a relationship with Derby University, where we benefited from a Youth & Community Work student on placement, who has also continued to volunteer for the trust since she graduated.

Problems and Issues

2015 saw an improvement in resident move on from the trusts housing, in part as several residents presented further submissions at the beginning of the year. Furthermore, some residents only needed our housing for a few weeks, as they were appealing asylum support refusals, with support from the Asylum Support Appeals Project (ASAP).

Furthermore, it has and remains our strategy to seek to house the most vulnerable people, who often have more complex asylum / immigration cases. Since legal advisers are paid on completion or resolution of a case, for the businesses we work with in this field there are incentives to resolve easier cases first and then take considerably longer on the more complex cases that often our residents present with.

Whilst UKBA will argue that everyone has a chance of having their case heard and then having the chance for appeal at the Immigration & Asylum Tribunal, in reality many people become destitute after the initial decision. This is because they only have 28 days to submit an appeal, which needs to be written in English and ideally by a qualified immigration advisor. If the immigration advisor does not think they have over 50% chance of success at the appeal, they cannot apply for the legal funding to represent the case. Therefore many people either don't have an appeal or if they do, are representing themselves in a court that could make a catastrophic determination and send the person back to their home country, where the persecution or threat of death remains.

The impact of public sector spending cuts on statutory and voluntary sector services in Nottingham, is affecting the Trust indirectly, as charities are now chasing trust funders who may have previously been lower down in the priorities of local charities. The Trust's main refugee agency partners have had their funding drastically reduced, affecting the level of support they are able to offer to the Trust's residents and there is much greater competition for grants and other funding available to support the trusts work.

Additionally, at the end of March 2015, Refugee Action lost further funding and therefore closed its Leicester office, which had been supporting NAT for several years. Furthermore, the Home Office also failed to renew the contract for Voluntary Return which Refugee Action had been delivering, and the Home Office is now providing this support directly. However, the lack of trust with the Home Office is likely to see the number of people applying for voluntary return reduce considerably and therefore have a further impact on charities like NAT.

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Funding

The Big Lottery Fund, Reaching Communities Grant is paying 50% of the salary of the Project Manager (with Lloyds Bank Foundation paying the remaining 50% of this salary) and a part time salary for the Support Work Coordinator (as well as some core costs, communications, and resident activities). The trust was also funded by an Awards for All grant, Trusthouse Charitable Foundation, Evan Cornish Foundation, Boots Charitable Trust, JN Derbyshire Trust, Souter Trust. Other funding is largely from one off donations, regular giving and donations through the Big Give Christmas Challenge.

The Trust is very grateful to all funders who recognise our work and support us to continue providing the services to our residents.

The trust also became a member of the Fundraising Standards Board in 2014 and is continuing this membership to date. Our Project Manager is also a Member of the Institute of Fundraising and ensures compliance with the codes of fundraising practice.

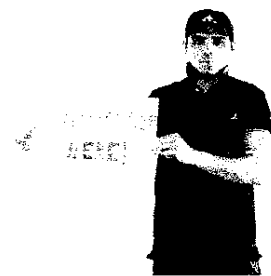


give with confidence

At the end of the year we raised just over £5000 from the Big Give Christmas Challenge, which was our 5th year of being part of this initiative.



Residents taking part in promotional photography shoot in 2014



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Partnerships and Collaboration

The Trust works in partnership with a number of organisations, some examples of which are given below.

HOST Nottingham

We have continued to accept referrals into our housing from people who are currently being hosted. Where possible, we accept referrals as being similar to street homelessness, as hosting is always seen as a temporary solution.

Nottingham & Nottinghamshire Refugee Forum

We continue to receive referrals from NNRF and also to work collaboratively in terms of ensuring our residents can access the food group and cash group delivered by the forum, as well as referrals into specialist projects such as the new legal project.

Street Outreach Team

We refer into and gain referrals from this team. If we know roughly where a rough sleeper is going to be, we let this team know so they can engage with them when they do their outreach. We also receive referrals from this team into our destitute asylum seekers housing mainly.

Refugee Futures

We continue to receive referrals from Refugee Futures following when we do a call out for referrals into our refugee housing. We are also exploring further opportunities to work collaboratively.

BEGIN

We refer our residents into BEGIN for access to ESOL classes across the colleges and training centres offering these courses.

BELONG

We have benefitted from our volunteers being trained on English My Way, to help our volunteers develop conversational English with our residents. We also refer residents for ICT training at Belong's centre.

Nottingham Citizens

We joined Nottingham Citizens in summer 2015. In November we successfully got Sanctuary as a theme for Nottingham Citizens and we are involved in developing this area of work. Current plans are for working on Housing, Education (Including English) and A Strategy for Refugees & Asylum Seekers.

British Red Cross

The British Red Cross fund the travel for our residents to attend the Home Office reporting centre in Loughborough. This means our residents travel fund, can be used for solicitors out of Nottingham or travel that will help the health & wellbeing of our residents.

Nottingham University We have continued our partnership work with Nottingham University for the provision of Student Social Workers.

Derby University

We have developed our relationship with Derby University, with the placement of a Youth & Community Work student with the trust. We also provide 2 placements for Student Social Workers.

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Thanks

In addition to those funding organisations, we would like to express our thanks explicitly to our partners for their continuing encouragement and support; The Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham; Framework Housing Association; Citizens for Sanctuary; Himmah; Nottingham & Nottinghamshire Refugee Forum; Host Nottingham; The British Red Cross; The Rainbow Project; BELONG; Terrance Higgins Trust; and Green Pastures.

We would also like to express our thanks to the support of Dave Smith (BOAZ) and the network NACCOM that they have established and facilitate. NACCOM creates the support network needed by us all, enables sharing of practice and learning about innovations within the charities in the network. This is invaluable to us in learning from one another and also developing new ideas to enable more work to be undertaken within limited financial resources.

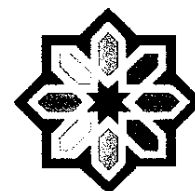
Thanks are also given to Jonny Jordan for the continued provision of a house and Dave Ward a new landlord who started working with us in 2015. We are also extremely grateful to a number of individuals and organisations that give generously to enable the trust to continue its work.

It is clear that this area of work is and will always be challenging. Our residents struggle to move their cases forward with their immigration advisors and there are always many more people in need than we can house. But we are so fortunate to work with such commitment from our staff, volunteers, trustees and partners who we have great relationships with. Indeed, it is a great honour to work with the Arimathea Trust and a privilege to work with the residents who always inspire us to continue to strive to deliver the best service we can.

Funded or Supported By: Trusthouse Charitable Trust



Charitable Trust



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Case Studies & Testimonies

A was housed by Nottingham Arimathea Trust a few months before he became eligible to apply for leave to remain based on length of stay in the UK. As soon as he moved in to our accommodation he became actively involved in the trust, volunteering by cooking at events and interpreting informally for one of his housemates. He was told that he wouldn't be able to obtain legal aid for his case and so came to us for help with paying legal fees. We set up a fundraising page for A and also held a World Food Festival event where he cooked a delicious meal which our supporters donated money for. In addition we appealed to for some small grants funders willing to fund individuals. Through the course of our fundraising a solicitor offered to complete the application for leave to remain on a pro-bono basis. The application was submitted shortly after and A was granted Section 4 accommodation so left Arimathea Trust housing. A few months later we received the fantastic news that A had been granted leave to remain and was able to finally begin rebuilding his life in the UK.

B is a Syrian refugee who moved into Arimathea Trust accommodation in October 2015. When he moved in he was in the process of applying for family reunion so that his wife and three children could join him in the UK. The visas were soon approved but he could not afford to pay for the flights for his family to travel to the UK. Nottingham Arimathea Trust set up a fundraising page and organised a Syrian Solidarity Night in order to raise money to help B bring his family to the UK. The money needed was raised very quickly and B's family joined him in October. We were then able to house the family in a three bedroom house which was offered to us by a private landlord. We put out an appeal to our supporters asking for donations to furnish the house and were able to get everything needed for the family. The family was then supported by the worker to apply for benefits, enrol the children at school and we also set up English tuition through volunteers with ESOL qualifications. B suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder after being imprisoned and tortured whilst still in Syria and he has been supported in attending appointments and ensuring that he receives the mental health care that he needs. He is much more settled and less anxious now that he knows his family are also safe and is beginning to become more independent, gradually relying less on support from staff at Nottingham Arimathea Trust.

C is a refugee from Afghanistan who moved to Nottingham from Newcastle shortly after being granted refugee status as her husband was living in the city. She was unable to get any support from the local authority so we provided her with accommodation in one of our supported flats. We supported C with everything related to setting up a tenancy and starting a new life in Nottingham. When C moved into the flat she was very lonely, fearful and sad. We paired her with a volunteer mentor who met with her for coffee and help her to practice her English, she also attended the art group we ran regularly and made jewelry for us to sell at events. In addition she has joined NAT on trips to Drayton Manor, Diwali celebrations in Leicester and Chinese New Year in Nottingham. Shortly after C moved into our accommodation her husband was also granted refugee status and was added to her tenancy. 6 months after moving in with is C is now enrolled at college studying English and feels a lot happier and settled in Nottingham.

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D is a woman that was housed by NAT in April 2011. She has complex health issues and worked with a solicitor on a fresh claim based on her health needs along with what is available in her home country. Her fresh claim was submitted at the end of 2014 and we supported her with a section 4 application at the beginning of 2015. She was granted section 4 accommodation in the West Midlands but the home office refused her fresh claim shortly after. However, her solicitor was able to appeal the decision and early in 2016 we heard that D had been granted refugee status. She was offered one of our supported refugee flats which she accepted so she was able to move back to Nottingham where her friends and support networks are.

Ongoing Cases

E is a female asylum seeker from Africa. She was refused asylum because the home office challenged her nationality and she moved into our accommodation in 2012 because her support had been withdrawn and she was sofa surfing or sleeping rough. When E moved into our accommodation she was suffering from depression and anxiety. Trauma experienced in her home country and time spent in detention in the UK had had a lasting effect on her mental and physical health. We worked with E to ensure that she got the correct health care that she needed and also paired her with a volunteer mentor who would accompany her to Loughborough for reporting which helped to relieve the anxiety. She was referred to a new solicitor in Nottingham in 2013 as her previous solicitor was not working on her case properly. Her case has gone to judicial review and we will be supporting her with an application for section 4 support soon.

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Statutory Information

The trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on the public benefit requirements. In the opinion of the Trustees, the Public Benefits arising from the Trust's activities are the relief of poverty and homelessness, and the support of vulnerable people who are trying to move on to become useful members of society.

Nottingham Arimathea Trust is a company limited by guarantee, registered in England, no. 6006531. The trust became a registered charity, no. 1121297, on 18 October 2007. Its registered office is:

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CAF Bank Ltd
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Trustees

The directors of the company are known as Trustees. The Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits. They are appointed for a maximum term of three years, and are eligible to offer themselves for re-appointment on their retirement. The trustees during the period 01/01/2015 – 31/12/2015 were:

	Appointed	Retired / Resigned	Office
Rev'd Karen Rooms	14/07/11		
Dr Carolyn Gilmore	17/09/12		Chair
Barry Clarke	12/09/13		Treasurer
Allan Njanji	12/09/13		Vice-Chair
Rebecca Wilson	12/09/13	18/11/15	Secretary
Elector Zvorwadza	20/02/14		
Rich Bolton	15/07/14		
Lynda Wilson	15/09/14		
Haseeb Hasan Khan	15/09/15		
Keith Grayson	15/09/15		

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Governance

The Trust's founding document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association. It is managed by a Management Committee, which consists of the trustees, plus others who may be invited to attend. They are drawn from local organisations or have experience the trustees consider will improve the quality of their decision making.

The Full Board meets every two months and receives reports on finances, funding and staff report, with due consideration of arising issues.

Induction of Trustees

The trust has developed a trustee induction pack which is given to all trustees upon appointment to the board. All potential new trustees are invited to meet with the Chair for informal discussion on the role and invited to sit in on a board meeting before deciding on whether to take on the role. Trustees are also encouraged to contribute to the development of the trust according to their interest and skills.

Council of Reference

During 2010, a Council of Reference was established to advise the board on matters of concern when required. The Trust continues to be very grateful to Canon Ruth Worsley, a former trustee, the Rt. Revd. Paul Butler, Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham; Julian Prior of Action Foundation, Newcastle and Dave Smith of the Boaz Trust in Manchester for agreeing to help the trust in this way.

Reserves Policy

The trustees consider that there should be at least 3 months salaries and ongoing costs held in reserves (around £46,000 of which £20,000 is needed for salaries and £26,000 is needed for general running costs). The trust is not at this position at the end of 2015, however we did make some progress in working towards these targets in the year, of which included an increase in unrestricted funds.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

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Responsibilities of the trustees

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus or deficiency for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to: select suitable accounting policies, as described on page 21, and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgments and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The members of the Committee must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity, and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Small company provisions:

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

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed Carolyn Gilmore Date 23/6/16
Carolyn Gilmore, Director

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
The Nottingham Arimathea Trust
for the year ended 31 December 2015**

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 19 to 26

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 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as trustees concerning any 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

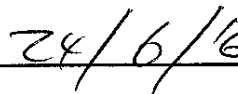
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed



Date



John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE, DChA
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

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Statement of financial activities
(incorporating the income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 December 2015

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2015 £	Total 2014 £
Income from:					
Grants & donations	2	30031	89806	119837	92056
Rental income		72439	-	72439	63703
Sales & fees		2106	25	2131	31
Bank interest		105	-	105	26
Sundry income		31	15	46	3810
Total		104712	89846	194558	159626
Expenditure on:					
Housing costs					
Rent & rates		43079	-	43079	40457
Equipment & repairs		10083	1997	12080	16820
Other housing costs		-	-	-	218
Utilities		10321	-	10321	11220
TV licence		728	-	728	726
Cleaning		548	3	551	594
Office and general expenses					
Equipment, repairs & renewals		3178	930	4108	1244
Transport		1265	694	1959	3119
Telephones		-	1800	1800	1741
Legal & professional fees		3061	81	3142	24086
Monitoring & evaluation		18	500	518	1746
Interpreters		-	525	525	493
Office rent		1004	4996	6000	5780
Insurance		1821	280	2101	1909
Printing & postage		48	558	606	975
IT		-	-	-	1338
Hospitality		597	78	675	-
Fund & awareness raising		104	-	104	-
Training		157	1293	1450	1988
Sundry expenses		29	4	33	5509
Depreciation	5	-	280	280	280
Salaries		19438	61131	80569	66811
Resident activities & support		505	2954	3459	1487
Volunteers expenses		227	617	844	717
Bad debts written off		525	-	525	-
Total		96736	78721	175457	189258
Net income/(expenditure)		7976	11125	19101	(29632)
Transfers between funds		267	(267)	-	-
Net movement in funds		8243	10858	19101	(29632)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		3787	21430	25217	54849
Total funds carried forward		12030	32288	44318	25217

All the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing
The notes on pages 21 to 26 form part of these financial statements

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Balance sheet
at 31 December 2015
Company number 06006531

	Note	£	2015 £	2014 £
Fixed assets:				
Tangible assets	5	-	-	280
<i>Total fixed assets</i>			-	280
Current assets:				
Debtors	3	2833		8044
Cash at bank and in hand		48180		25933
<i>Total current assets</i>		51013		33977
Liabilities:				
Creditors:				
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(6695)		(9040)
<i>Net current assets or liabilities</i>			44318	24937
<i>Total assets less current liabilities</i>			44318	25217
Total net assets or liabilities			44318	25217
The funds of the charity				
Restricted income funds			32288	21430
Unrestricted funds			12030	3787
<i>Total charity funds</i>			44318	25217

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 31/12/15 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

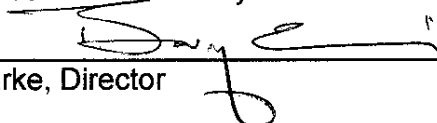
Directors' responsibilities:

- *The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;*
- *The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.*

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small company's regime and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed 
 Barry Clarke, Director

Dated 22/06/16

Nottingham Arimathea Trust
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2015

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of listed investments which are included at their market value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice, applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (the FRSSE) (effective 1 January 2015).

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis – i.e. they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

Pension costs

The charity does not currently make any pension contributions for its employees.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of all tangible fixed assets with a cost exceeding £500 over their expected useful lives on a straight line basis.

The rates applicable are:

IT Equipment	33%
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2. Grants & donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2014 £
A B Charitable Trust	7500	-	7500	-
Access to Work	-	4674	4674	3687
Big Lottery (Reaching Communities)	-	39651	39651	39251
Big Lottery (Awards for All)	-	9970	9970	-
Castle Cavendish	-	1625	1625	-
Forman Hardy Charitable Trust	1000	-	1000	-
Green Pastures	500	-	500	-
Gift Aid Reclaim	2821	-	2821	-
Holy Trinity Church Westgate	600	-	600	-
Lloyds Foundation	-	15100	15100	14750
Nottingham City Parish	2000	-	2000	-
Opportunities Fund	-	4250	4250	-
Souter Charitable Trust	-	2000	2000	-
St Jude's Church	500	-	500	-
St Luke's Church	1000	-	1000	-
The Sage Trust	1000	-	1000	-
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	-	9700	9700	-
J N Derbyshire Trust	-	2000	2000	-
Nottingham City Council	1000	-	1000	-
Sundry grants & donations	12111	836	12947	14472
Nottingham City Jobs Fund	-	-	-	5649
Metropolitan Migration Foundation	-	-	-	5000
Evan Cornish Foundation	-	-	-	3000
Charities Trust	-	-	-	2207
Boots Charitable Trust	-	-	-	2000
University of Nottingham	-	-	-	1040
Sports Relief	-	-	-	1000
	30031	89806	119837	92056

3. Debtors

	2015 £	2014 £
Trade debtors	2833	4520
Other debtors	-	3524
	2833	8044

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4. Creditors - amounts falling due within one year

	2015	2014
	£	£
Trade creditors	2385	7155
Taxation & social security	3436	-
Accruals	73	
1194		
Other creditors	<u>801</u>	<u>691</u>
	<u>6695</u>	<u>9040</u>

5. Tangible assets (analysis of opening & closing carrying amounts)

	IT equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost or valuation		
At beginning of the year	840	840
Additions	-	-
Disposals	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>840</u>	<u>840</u>
 Depreciation		
At beginning of the year	560	560
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation	<u>280</u>	<u>280</u>
	<u>840</u>	<u>840</u>
 Net book value		
At beginning of the year	<u>280</u>	<u>280</u>
At end of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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6. Movements in funds

	Balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	3787	104712	(96736)	267	12030
	3787	104712	(96736)	267	12030
Restricted funds					
Legal Fund	804	876	(140)	-	1540
Reaching Communities	8229	39651	(37817)	-	10063
Renewal Trust Fund	267	-	-	(267)	-
Residents' Travel Fund	74	2000	(326)	-	1748
Training project	3057	-	(808)	-	2249
Disabled Support (Access to Work)	497	4674	(5113)	-	58
Resident Activities (Boots)	1972	-	(588)	-	1384
Resident Activities (Evan Cornish)	2750	-	(2750)	-	-
Staff salaries (Lloyds)	2905	15100	(14362)	-	3643
Resident Activities (Sports Relief)	875	-	(875)	-	-
Resident Activities (Awards for All)	-	9970	(8105)	-	1865
Resident Activities (Castle Cavendish)	-	1625	(562)	-	1063
Awareness Raising Fund	-	4250	(1237)	-	3013
Housing Repairs Fund	-	2000	(2000)	-	-
Staff salaries (Trusthouse)	-	9700	(4038)	-	5662
	21430	89846	(78721)	(267)	32288

The transfer from the Renewal Trust fund to the General fund reflects the release of any restrictions on the use of these funds.

7. Analysis of net assets by fund

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible assets	-	-	-
Debtors	2833	-	2833
Cash at bank and in hand	15892	32288	48180
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(6695)	-	(6695)
	12030	32288	44318

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8. Staff costs and numbers

	2015	2014
	£	£
Wages and salaries	76864	64449
Social security costs	<u>3705</u>	<u>2362</u>
	80569	66811

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000.
The average number of employees during the year was 5 (2014: 5).

9. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.

10. Related party transactions

There have been no related party transactions during the period.

11. Fees payable to independent examiner

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner Community Accounting Plus are analysed as follows:

	2015	2014
	£	£
Independent examination	576	576
Other financial services: payroll	<u>419</u>	<u>867</u>
	995	1443

12. Comparative information

For comparison purpose, the Statement of financial activities for the year-ended 31/12/2014 is presented as below:

(see next page)

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	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2014 Total Funds
Note	£	£	£
Incoming resources			
Grants & donations	2 17614	74442	92056
Rental Income	63703	-	63703
Sales & fees	-	31	31
Bank interest	26	-	26
Sundry income	2975	835	3810
Total incoming resources	84318	75308	159626
Resources expended			
Housing costs			
Rent & rates	39583	874	40457
Equipment & repairs	15121	1699	16820
Other housing costs	214	4	218
Utilities	9537	1683	11220
TV licence	726	-	726
Cleaning	594	-	594
Office and general expenses			
Equipment, repairs & renewals	224	1020	1244
Transport	1735	1384	3119
Telephones	-	1741	1741
Legal & professional fees	23286	800	24086
Monitoring & evaluation	-	1746	1746
Interpreters	-	493	493
Office rent	335	5445	5780
Insurance	1709	200	1909
Printing & postage	222	753	975
IT	1338	-	1338
Training	313	1675	1988
Sundry expenses	2937	2571	5508
Depreciation	5 280	-	280
Salaries	4451	62360	66811
Residents' activities & support	292	1195	1487
Volunteer & befriender fees	399	318	717
Total resources expended	103297	85961	189258
Net (expenditure)	(18979)	(10653)	(29632)
Transfers between funds	(1146)	1146	-
Total funds brought forward	23912	30937	54849
Total funds carried forward	3787	21430	25217