

# Big Trustee Breakfast: navigating uncertainty

Wednesday 13 March 2024



## Welcome

DANIEL CHAN MBE, DIRECTOR AT PWC AND CHAIR OF THE ICAEW CHARITY COMMITTEE



## Opening Remarks

MALCOLM BACCHUS, DEPUTY PRESIDENT, ICAEW
MICHAEL IZZA, CHIEF EXECUTIVE, ICAEW



# Fireside chat: the role of treasurer or 'finance trustee' in navigating uncertainty

PANEL CHAIR: JOHN TENNENT, REGIONAL DIRECTOR EUROPE, MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA, CORPORATE EDGE

JUDITH MILLER, PARTNER, SAYER VINCENT

NICOLA SILVERLEAF, TRUSTEE AND TREASURER OF THE HONORARY TREASURERS FORUM ELAINE ALSOP, CHARITY FINANCE CONSULTANT, EA INDEPENDENT LTD



# Why understanding your charity's business model is so important for financial sustainability

MARK SALWAY, ASSOCIATE, MOORE KINGSTON SMITH NONPROFIT ADVISORY AND FELLOW, BAYES BUSINESS SCHOOL

Why understanding your charity's business model is critical for its financial sustainability?

Mark Salway

March 2024





## **4 Simple Funding Models**



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Infrastructure underpins it all



### **Type 1: Service Delivery**

#### All about cost recovery (direct and indirect)





- Indirect Cost Recovery
- Direct Cost Recovery
- Always a shortfall c.5-10% [doing well then 2-3%]. Commercial organisations make money.
- Full cost recovery
- Profit and contingency [on contracts]
- Typically need another source of income to make good the gap.
- What is your overhead %?





#### What to measure?

- Driver: Contract/grants
- Cost recovery (direct and indirect)
- Pipeline
- Burn Rates
- Something Social (e.g., numbers helped, change in human condition)



## **Type 2: Fundraising**

#### Show me the money!



## MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

	Average Fundraising ROI
Fundraisers	3:1
Legacy Fundraisers	8-10 : 1

- It's all about your Return on Investment (ROI)
- Watch for net/gross
- But when will you see returns?





#### What to measure?

- Driver: ROI of different appeals
- Acquisition versus existing portfolio
- Number of givers
- Average gift
- Breakeven (F-F and Door-Door)



# **Type 3: Social Enterprise Trading**

What's primary purpose and what's not?

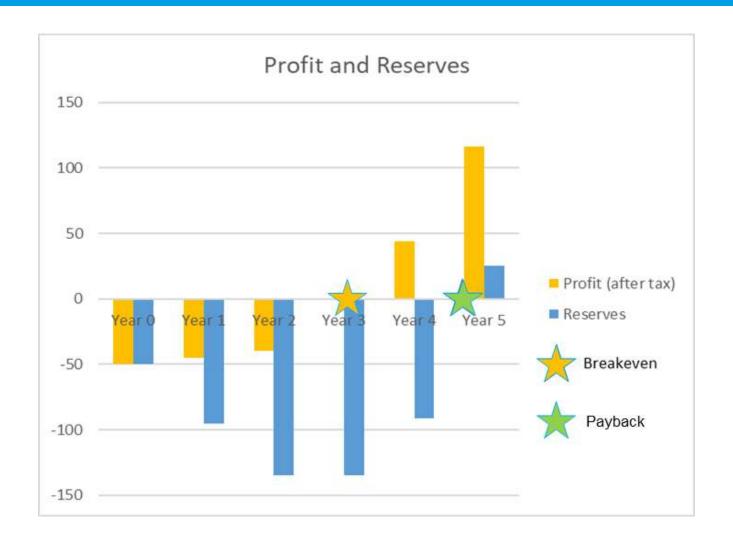




- Cafes and restaurants
- Day Centres
- Foot Care
- Handyperson services
- Personal care at home



### Payback and Breakeven



#### What to measure?

- Driver: Unit sales
- Gross profit
- Net profit
- Income per unit sales
- Breakeven
- Payback



#### **Type 4: Investments and Endowments**

#### What is the return on investment?





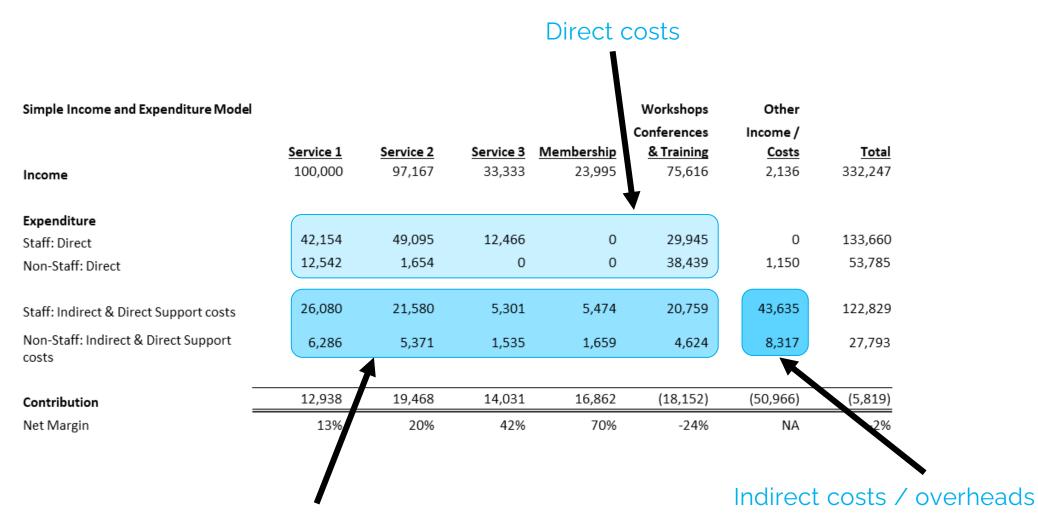
- Expendable
- Non expendable
- Responsible investments

#### What to measure?

- Return on investment (capital / Revenue)
- Social value created
- Responsible investment measures



#### **The Absolute Basics**





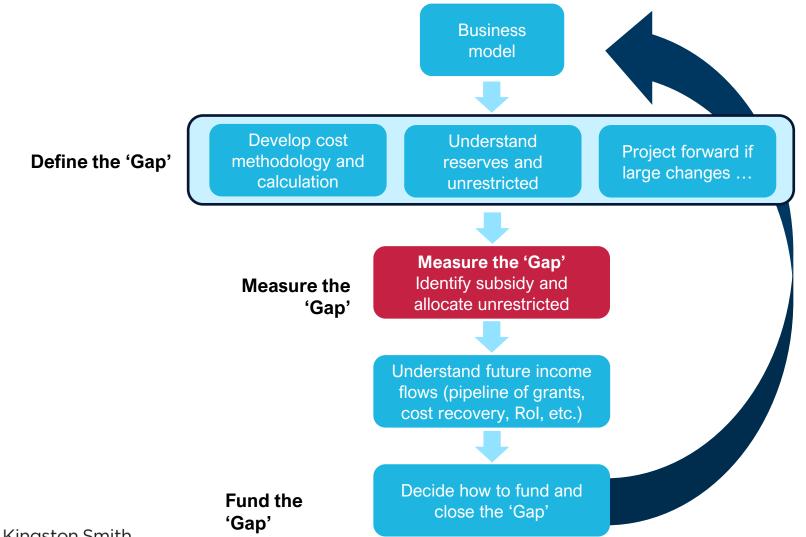
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#### **The Absolute Basics**

#### Direct costs **Simple Income and Expenditure** Model Workshops Other **Conferences** Income / **Service 1** Service 2 & Training Service 3 Membership Costs **Total** 100,000 97,167 33,333 23,995 75,616 2,136 332,247 Income **Expenditure** 42,154 49,095 12,466 0 29,945 0 133,660 Staff: Direct 12,542 1,654 0 0 38,439 1,150 53,785 Non-Staff: Direct 26,080 21,580 5,301 5,474 20,759 43,635 122,829 Staff: Indirect & Direct Support costs Non-Staff: Indirect & Direct Support 6,286 5,371 8,317 27,793 1,535 1,659 4,624 costs 12,938 19,468 14,031 16,862 (18,152)(50,966)(5,819)Contribution **Net Margin** NA 13% 20% 42% 70% -24% -2% 15,872 Allocation of Overheads 14,165 3,519 1,300 17,095 (51,952)0 15,561 (2,934)5,302 986 10,512 (5,819)Surplus / (Deficit)



#### **Getting to the gap**





# How can you respond to changing financial circumstances?

- Raise Income
- Cost Reduction Exercise
- Improve Efficiency
- Cost Recovery
- Re-Imagine your Organisation
- Partnerships
- Better use of restricted funds

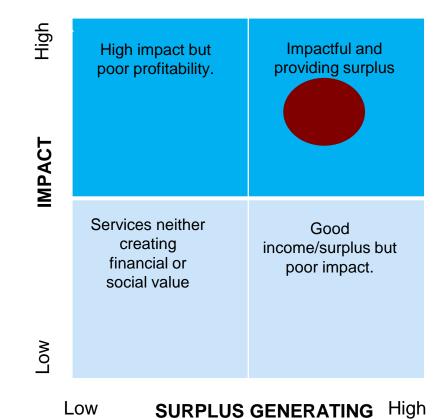
#### All involve better use of resources



## **Impact**



## **Impact: Getting the balance right**

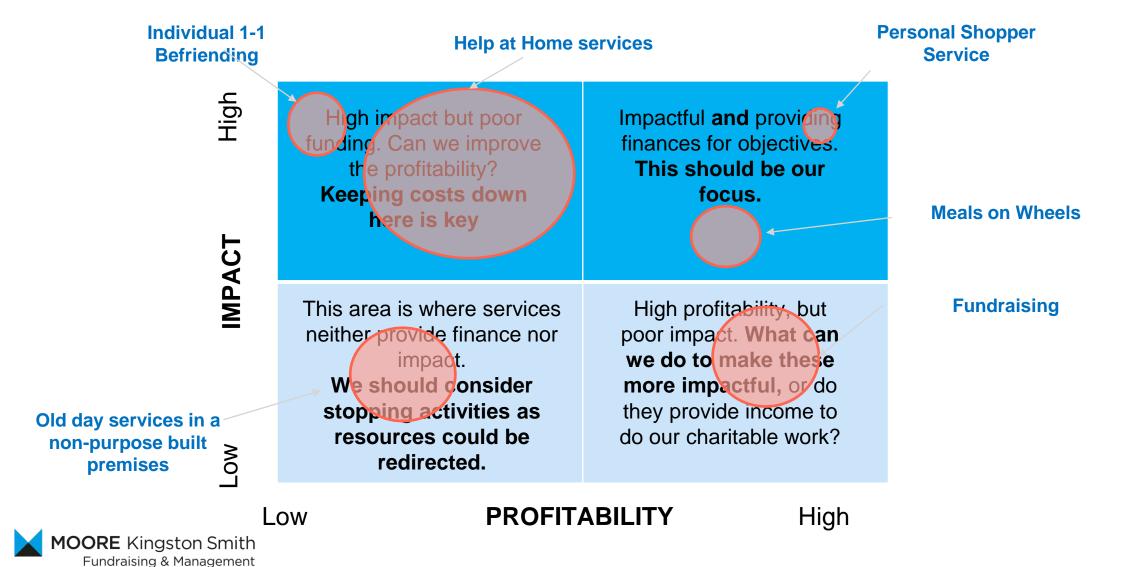


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### A real example

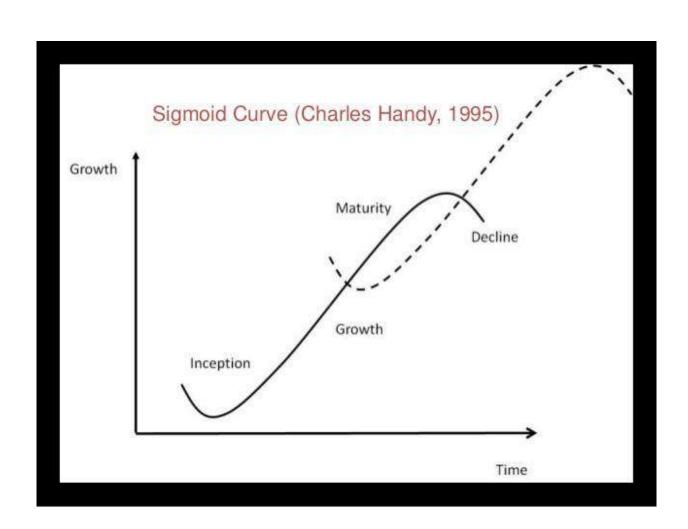


## Re-imagining



## What are charities focused on?

50% Survival 50% Re-imagination





## **Thanks and Questions**





## Break

Please take your seats again at 10:30



# Effective charity reporting: being bold and brave in telling your story

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Effective charity reporting:
Being bold and brave in telling your story

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There will be some interactive questions - please participate via the QR code or

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### Who we are



**Daniel Chan MBE**Director, PwC



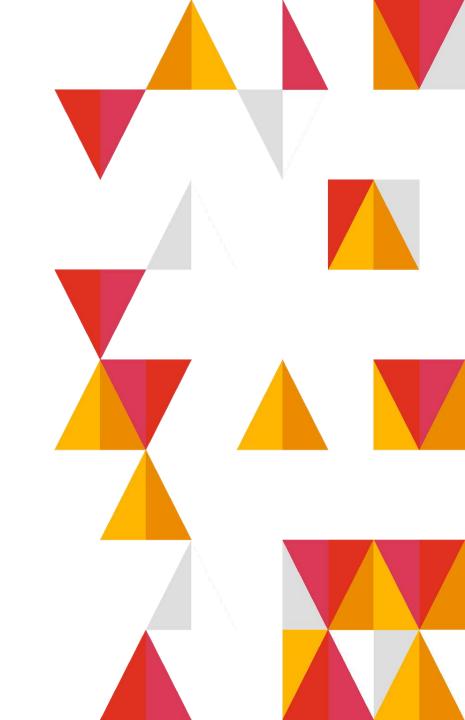
Amelia Balls Manager, PwC



Emilia Marshall
Head of Financial
Planning & Reporting,
Save the Children UK

## Agenda

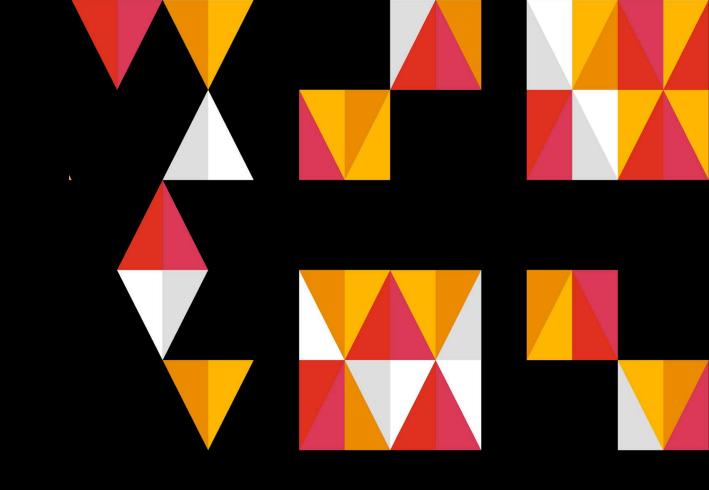
- 1. PwC Building Public Trust Awards
- 2. A perspective from Save the Children UK
- 3. Key themes and good practice
- 4. Wider developments in charity reporting



What are the most important aspects of charity reporting?

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Building Public Trust Awards Reporting in Charities

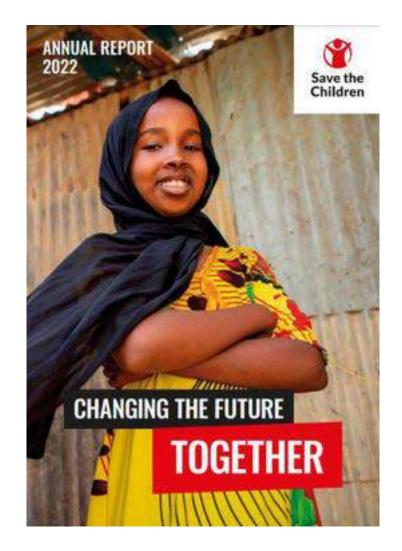
#### Award criteria



#### Shortlisted charities

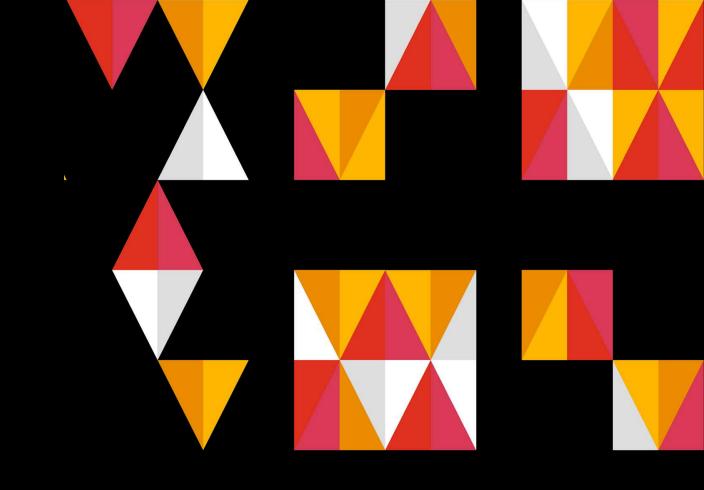






# Save the Children UK Winner of the Reporting in Charities Award 2023





A perspective from Save the Children UK





## **TELLING THE STORY**

# Children's voices front and centre



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"The best way to respond

to emotion is to



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## **TELLING THE STORY**

#### 2022-24 STRATEGY

Over the final two years of our 2022–24 strategy, we will continue to work with and for children to bring about lasting change in the UK and around the world.

We have four strategic goals for children:

A healthy start in life

A safe return to school and access to quality learning

A childhood free from violence

Resilience to cope in tough times

Case studies of impact linked to strategy

### A HEALTHY START IN LIFE

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#### PROTECTING CHILDREN IN CONFLICT

#### WEARING

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#### CLIMATE-PROOFING SCHOOLS

The changing climate is threatening children's right to quality education. We have drawn on our expertise from the Asia-Pacific region to strengthen our global approach on the climate crisis and education, and to influence the sector at large.

Our Comprehensive School Safety Ecosystem Framework, run in partnership with Prudence Foundation and the Philippines Department of Education, helped protect Filipino children from climate-related crises and other hazards, and allowed them to participate in ensuring school safety themselves. It was recognised by the prestigious UN Sasakawa Award.



## TRANSPARENCY IN REPORTING

## **Challenges**

#### CHALLENGES AND LESSONS

The fundraising and engagement environment remains challenging. As the cost of living soars, one in four people in the UK have cut back on charitable donations since the start of 2022, and a further two in five indicate they might or definitely will do so in the near future.

- Support costs
- Executive directors' remuneration
- Complaints
- Challenges
- Environment

Subject of complaint	Number
Governance, strategy and policy	171
Fundraising (gift administration)	165
Fundraising (methodology and solicitation)	110
Trading	11
Our work	7
Advacacy and compaigns	

Advocacy and campaigns

Total

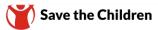
#### SAFEGUARDING INCIDENT REPORT 2022

Category	2022	2021	2020
Initial review	16	9	10
Initial fact finding	24	6	4
Full investigation	4	7	7
Total	44	22	21

#### CHALLENGES AND LESSONS

Attracting and retaining digital, data and tech specialists continues to be a challenge. As a result, we are piloting a new learning platform to increase digital and data skills across the organisation.

Cyber-attacks are an increasing threat and have surged across the world in the past year. We are mitigating this risk through the development of our Cyber Security Programme to safeguard and secure our data.



# TRANSPARENCY IN REPORTING Environment

## REDUCING OUR ECOLOGICAL IMPACT

The ecological energency - climate change, environmental degradation and bloodiversity tess - is devositing the fives at shidows and communities around the world. That's why we're committed to being part of the solution to the crisis - and that sharts with reducing our own analysemental impact.

We will become an ecologically smart organisation by:

- meducing our 'direct' emissions by 50% by the end of 2024 isosepared to our 2019 baselined and by 70% by 2030,' and reducing our wider emissions where possible louch as emissions from pensions and investments, employee commutes, and wantel.
- inventing in honing our people's existing skills and increasing their knowledge on the crisis - particularly its disproportionate impact on children - as well as an themes much as carbon filterary, ways of reducing global enissions, and the nec-colonial causes of the crisis.
   Where possible, we're giving skall appartiseties to applift by taking on one roles and projects in this area.
- Improving environmental risk management and better understanding the environmental impact of our decisions, such as how we work and with whore. In 2023, we will rull and environmental management systems for our operations, swemase pring among and humanistation responses.

#### PROGRESS IN 2002

This year we consentrated on strengthening our processes and practices in environmental austabability and on improving the above we see to measure progress, in 2022, we will increase our focus on embedding and scaling up these improvements.

#### WORK-RELATED TRAVEL

To deliver our mission for children across the world, travel remains equantial. Nevertheless, we conceiled to reducing our air travel emissions to 70% less in 2022 than in 2019.

We launched a new travel policy to enable us to meet our pindigs, improved the quality of our flight emissions data and access to it, and developed divisional quarterly review processes to monitor compliance.

In 2022, see CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e) emissions from air travel were 549 tonnes (D.65 tonnes per employee) - an 84% reduction from sur 2019 baseline. We are pleased to have red out larget.

#### STAFF ENGAGEMENT

In 2022, we avorked to engage colleagues on the climate crisis through our staff environmental network. We circulated internal bogs on topics from sustainable back to-subjects renging from the inviviousmental impacts of our petiologist paging in small spaces. In Agrit, we were also privileged to be joined by Eric Niggans, a Fridays for Putters and UN youth climate activist from Kerrya, who shared a thought providing account of climate justice and neocologistion. Learning from Eric, we are centring this issue in our climate and ecologist of adequate plan.

#### PENSIONS AND INVESTMENTS

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#### EMISSIONS METRICS AND TARGETS.

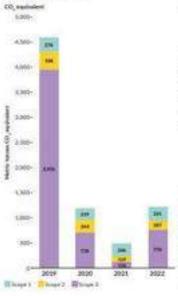
Save the Children UK for measured the carbon embrsions of our UK operations since 2011, In 2022, with the generators support of <u>2molton</u>, we conducted a deeper and broader analysis, mapping our Scope 1, 2 and 2 envisions. The results are being used to shape our madinap to a 50% carbon resturtion by 2024. Meet at our enteration came type our business time (ICEN and III) or our of our time (office), that regional effices, and 10-d reliad premium across the LM (LACK) Following a times desire in our enterations in 2020-21 startin COVID-15 tookhows, they increased in 2021-21 startin COVID-15 tookhows, they increased in 2021 as been employees expended to the affect and treat endochous some release. The resiliant of the affect and treat endochous some release. The resiliant of first 10-de pendentic continued to effect.

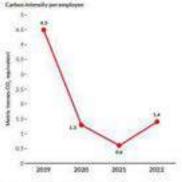
#### **OUR EMISSIONS**

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See page 52 for our mandatory Streamlined Everyy and Carbon Reserving DEDH data. The resumed scope of SELS is limited compared to the more comprehensive documentary analysis presented here.

#### Our direct carbon emissions





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## **CHALLENGES**

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A document for many

Making the complex simple

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## **FUTURE PLANS**

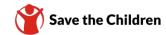
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Continual improvement

Greater alignment with Save the Children International reporting

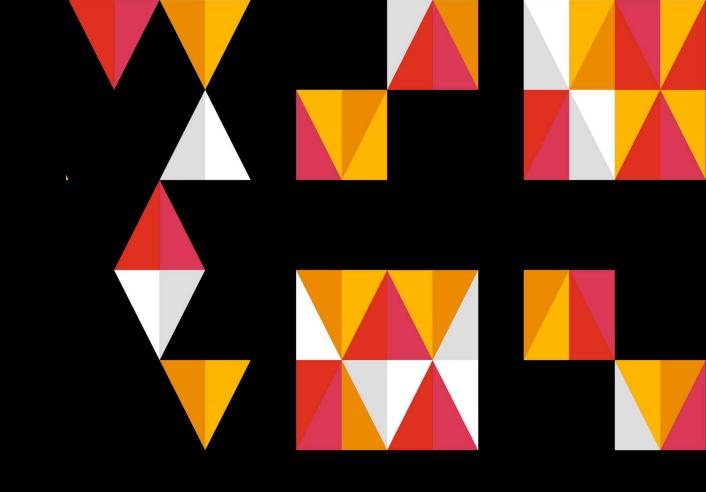
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Key themes and good practice

## Charitable purpose and strategy - National Trust





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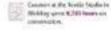




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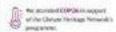






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## Key societal issues - Cancer Research UK

#### OBJECTIVE .

Implement the EDI in research action plan and work with partners to improve the research culture

- We are supporting the Black in Cancer network to run a mentorship programme, pairing up Black undergraduate students with cancer researchers from academia or industry to provide mentorship and career training, as well as providing summer placements to gain additional research experience.
- In2ScienceUK to provide children from low-income and disadvantaged backgrounds with practical insights into the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) sector and the In2Research programme to help undergraduate students from underrepresented backgrounds to progress to a PhD in cancer research.



- We are building a programme of work to proactively drive research on cancer inequalities.
   We are also improving diversity among people who take part in our trials, beginning with an analysis of current trials, setting and supporting EDI policy for new trials and convening a patient panel to highlight existing barriers.
- We continue to promote flexible research career policies and to provide support through the Women of Influence programme and StellarHE's Diverse Leaders course.
- On our funding committees, the proportion of members from an ethnic minority background is now 18%, up from 14% tast year, with a target of at least 20%. We have reached our target of over 40% female committee members.

Image credit: Science Museum Group © The Board of Trustees of the Science

## Falling short on some of our EDI goals

We are committed to becoming a diverse and inclusive organisation\_ where all our staff, volunteers and researchers feel like they belong and can do their best work. This year, we made progress in several area, including achieving gender parity in senior leadership positions. However, we have fallen short on others, including on our ethnic minority leadership target. Currently 3.8% of our staff in our top three grades are from ethnic minority backgrounds, against a target of 12% by June 2023.

This year, we have made changes to our recruitment practices and run inclusive recruitment training. We hired the first four Apprentices into our Marketing Academy in January, with a view to improving our diversity and launched a personcentred development programme for ethnic minority staff. This programme, which will run each year, enables individuals to explore their authentic self and how this impacts on their leadership identity. We hope that these measures will contribute to better achieving our objectives in future.

## Wider operational landscape - National Trust

#### Strategic risk Mitigation Due to the difficult decisions taken through the pandemic we are in a strong position financially, which means we are well positioned to face the new challenges of higher inflation and related difficulties for cost of living and wider economic performance. Our focus is on delivering our charitable cause, and within this delivering excellent value to supporters who visit and enjoy our places and properties, to ensure that everybody who visits a Inflation and increases in costs of living: Risk of National Trust place or property that we care for has a great day out. That is the best way we can high short- and medium-term inflation, impacting our mitigate the impact of inflation on demand. purchasing power and the financial sustainability of partners, tenants, as well as impacting the spending We are also mindful of the impacts of inflation and increased costs for our staff and volunteers and power of members and visitors. are considering this in our plans and budgets. On the supply side impacts include rising costs and difficulties in acquiring goods and services. Our mitigation is to work closely with suppliers to understand difficulties as soon as we can, refresh our business continuity plans, and align this with continuous monitoring of inflation indices, performance reporting and scenario planning.

Risk	Definition	Climate Change Relevance
Over-heating and humidity	Site damage and seasonal closing of NT properties due to unsafe conditions.	Increased temperature and humidity.
Storm Damage	Structural damage caused by extreme weather such as high winds, heavy rain or hail.	Increased frequency and intensity of extreme weather events.
Slope Failure	Abrupt failure of site foundations due to weakening of underlying rock and soil.	Increased frequency and intensity of extreme weather events and variability of temperature and rainfall.
Flooding	Partial or complete submersion of NT sites due to direct rainfall, or overflow of riverbanks/ground water sources.	Increased frequency and intensity of extreme rainfall.
Shrink-swell	Property damage or disruption of site foundations due to uneven expansion and contraction of underlying soil.	More extreme wet-dry cycles.
Coastal risk	Flooding or collapse of underlying site foundations.	Rising sea levels and increased frequency and intensity of coastal storms.

#### **Our Climate Strategy**

As a result of climate change featuring as the most significant risk on the National Trust risk register, the organisation has set climate action as one of two cross-cutting strategic priorities (the other being Everyone Welcome see page 6 of this report).

The strategic priority is made up of four objectives that we describe as our urgent climate RACE (reduce, adapt, capture, engage).



We will reduce our carbon emissions from all of our activities, to be carbon net zero by 2030



We will aim to be resilent and adaptable to a changing climate in every choice we make



We will capture more carbon from our land, to be carbon net zero by 2030



We will engage others - telling our story widely to inspire action from supporters and policymakers

Our climate RACE will address both the transitional and physical risks facing the organisation. These four objectives are being translated into work programmes that will be embedded in the Trust's business and financial plans.

## Focus on beneficiaries - Oxfam GB

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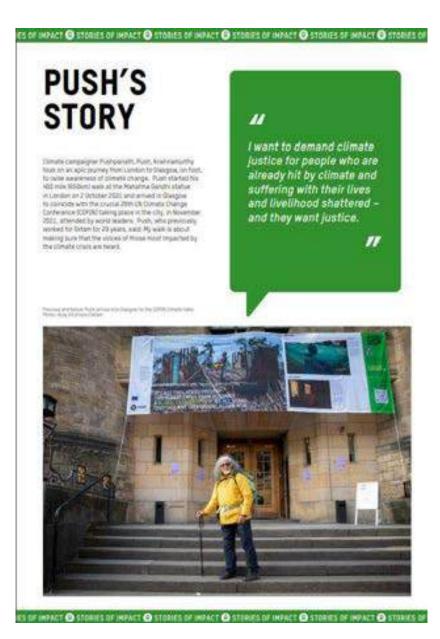
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## Stakeholder engagement - Canal and River Trust

#### Our key How the Board engages with them and ensures that their interests are taken stakeholders Customers and Customer views and requirements are gained through a range of mechanisms with Visitors (including regular surveys to provide insight on customer satisfaction and other measures of service. The Trust's online Annual Public Meeting provides customers and visitors. waterway users. towpath users. with the apportunity to ask questions of the Chair and Chief Executive on a broad heritage and range of topics. In addition, Regional Advisory Boards also held local online Annual Public Meetings, giving local stakeholders further apportunity to engage with environment groups, and any other customens. Customer and user groups make up our National Advisory Groups, which Trustees recognise help inform Trust policy in perticular areas such as navigation, heritage and the variety of the the environment. Trust's customers and beneficiaries and Trustees also receive updates on customer and visitor views via the Chief. Executive's standing report to each Soard meeting, and consider those views, aim to foster good. where relevant, as part of their decision. relationships and uphold the highest The Board took into account the impact of the rising cost of living for customers service standards in reviewing boat Scense charges when making decision on revisions to the for all its customers. business plan to respond to inflation rises. and visitors. Suppliers and An approved Procurement Policy is in place which defines for suppliers the Trust's Businesses standards of business ethics and conduct. Trusfees have approved a Modern Trustees recognise Slavery Statement and Anti-Fraud and Bribery Policy, which suppliers must adhere the importance to. The Trust also has a policy in place to ensure its compliance with competition law in terms of its activities in areas where it is the network operator and a of fostering good business commercial participant (e.g. Waterside Moorings). relationships with During the year, the Board approved a number of contracts in accordance with suppliers and the agreed scheme of delegation, taking into account suppliers' and businesses' other businesses. interests when doing so. For example, in February 2022, the Infrastructure and of maintaining Committee held a meeting focussed on the new civil engineering contract. a reputation for high standards of providing strategic challenge to ensure that the tender process was fair business conduct, to and robust. achieving the Trust's charitable aims and long-term success. Government During the financial year, discussions with Defra regarding the upcoming grant review remained a key focus and the Government Grant Review Trustee Working. and Regulators Trustees uphold the Group continued to meet to oversee the Trust's interaction with the review Trust's adherence process and help develop the Trust's case for continued funding post: 2027. The to legislation and Board continued to provide frequent feedback and strategic direction to the regulation. Trust's developing strategic case, having received comprehensive reports and financial modelling from the Executive. In addition, the Chair of the Board and Chief Executive met with key Defra officials during the financial year. Trustees are updated on legal and regulatory developments at each Board meeting and take these into account when making decisions. For example, the

Trustees noted the recommendations coming out of the Charity Commission's

Investigation into the Kids Company.

#### Our key stakeholders

#### How the Board engages with them and ensures that their interests are taken into account

#### Communities and environment

Trustiess engage with the communities the Trust operates within - nationally and regionally - to understand the issues that are of importance to them and the impact of the Trust's activities on communities and the environment.

The Board engages with key stakeholder groups via their representatives on the Council, at the Annual General Meeting and reformal Council meetings every year, and through the Annual Public Meeting.

The Trust's Regional Advisory Boards and National Advisory Groups help the Trust to access local knowledge and ideas, and to build relationships, reach diverse local communities and stakeholder groups, and translate national priorities into local initiatives. Regional Advisory Board chairs ere ex officio members of Council, providing additional opportunities for engagement.

Elsewhere, the Trust puts a significant amount of resource into community-based activities, such as its Community Roots, Education and Youth programmes, with activities beginning to return to normal after the pandemic.

The Trust also engages in targeted ways when our operations affect local communities, for example through consultations and finks with the community local to Toddbrook Reservoir regarding proposed design solutions and planned series. The Board and Infrastructure Committee receive regular updates and reviewed the works programme to reservoirs and high risk assets, including Toddbrook works and, in April 2022, the infrastructure Committee visited the Toddbrook site.

The virtual Annual Public Meeting provides an opportunity for Trustees to hear the questions and views of local stakeholders, enabling them to have these views in mind when making decisions that have a wider impact upon communities and the environment. Matters raised by those sittending the meeting in 2021 covered a broad range of topics, including accessibility on towpaths, where the Trust is spending money on towpath and infrastructure improvement, water safety zones, open water aviraning, and boat telences. Trustees also received annual updates from the National Advisory Groups, providing the Trustees with the opportunity to understand the key areas for consideration from those stakeholder groups.

The Annual General Meeting in September 2021 was held at the National Waterways Museum in Glococaster (where Council members were able to go on a site visit of Glococaster (bocks) and in March, prior to the Council meeting, Members and Trustees joined a guided walk along the River Snar, Leicecter, learning about the taunch of the Leicester Waterways Partnership at Frog Island, streed art initiatives with Graffwerk and community engagement and wellbeing activities at Lime Kin Lock.

Trustees returned to in person meetings during the gear, holding Board reestings and site viaits in the regions that the Trust operates in and engaging with stakeholders in Coventry, Gloucester, Lancashire, Leeds, Leicester and London. In January 2021 Trustees visited Bingley Five Rise Locks on the Leeds B Liverpool Canal.

The Board took account of the Trust's impact on communities and the environment when developing and reviewing its strategic programmes, particularly in the context of our emerging ESG reporting framework.

The Board took account of the impact on local communities when undertaking its annual strategic raview of risk, particularly in relation to possible risks of major breaches of assets with a high consequence of failure, in terms of flooding and local disruption.

## Governance, risks and opportunities - GOSH Charity

#### Net Risk Management Fromework Table

Rick area	Net risk oppetite	Guiding principles
Legal and regulatory	Zero	We will be legally compliant in all aspects of our operations and we will take a zero tolerance approach to slavery and human trafficking.
Culture	Zaro	We will have an inclusive and diverse collure where people are proud to work. We have zero tolerance for discrimination or builying/harassment.
Data loss or unplanned / unauthorised disclosure	Zem:	We will not compromise the confidentiality of personal data, including ensuring any third-party processors uphold our standards.
Cyber	Zero	We recognize there is a cyber risk of hacking into our systems, data theft and ransomware. We will minimise this by reviewing where cyber risk exists and how best we can eliminate, mitigate or otherwise control this risk.
Fraud	Zero:	We recognise that some of our activities carry a risk of fraud. We will minimise this by reviewing where fraud risk exists and how best we can eliminate, mitigate, or otherwise control this risk.
Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)	Low	We will strive to maintain and improve performance regarding ESO and sustainability considerations, as applicable to the charity's activities.
Reputation	Low	Our reputation is fundamental to realising our purpose and strategy and is integrally linked to the hospital's reputation and activities. We always aim to minimise risks to our reputation and to that of the hospital.
Advocacy	Low	We will advocate for change in line with our purpose and strategy. We accept this brings some risk, eg. reputation, and financial, eg where others hold a different opinion.
Financial Sustainability  Table continues on following page	tion(/ Wedfull)	We will maintain a sustainable financial/ business model that maximises charitable contribution and impact over the medium long term with acceptable cost/income and charitable expenditure ratios. We recognise that within this model we may take moderate risks in order to realise our purpose and strategy, eg, investment in non-cash assets, investment in fundrasing, including individuals.



#### Mitigations

The risk of other cost increases through changes in scope and or delays are monitored and controlled through rigorous governance and project management - with a joint hospital and charity facus on containing costs.

The charity also works closely with the haspital and professional advisors to ensure that any cost increases are understood and justifiable, eg. by market conditions or to better align the CCC with clinical requirements.

In recognition of potential anguing remaining risks, the charity's approach to the CCC is to commit to the project on an incremental basis with preject gatinways up to the point of main build collyract signing, expected in 2023/34v. In this way the chanty will have a much clearer picture, ahead of final commitment, of the overall cost of the project and its offordability and will be. Likraine and literat may bring further able to lock in a suitable contract price.

#### Remaining risks

An application for planning permission for the CCC has been submitted but the outcome will not be known until later in 2022/23.

The Full Business Case for the CCC will besubmitted for approval to the NHS later in 2022/23 and thus the outcome will not be known. umb1 end 2022/23 or 2023/24

Significant increases in the budget/costs of the CCC would put more pressure on its affordability. ie the charity's ability to raise sufficient funds and its origining sustainability as set out elopwhere in this risks section.

High inflationary pressures in the London construction market have previously resulted in construction cost ownnuns, and the economic impact of COVID-19 the war inuncertainty and cost pressures.

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Rick Unsustainable charity business model	Harp misk arreas Financial sustainability Fundratising Reputation

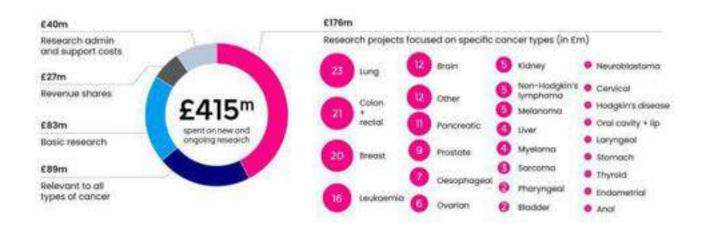
Financial projections on a range of scenarios have been developed with projections up to and including the financial year 2050/31. The autputs have been reviewed by the Finance and Resources Committee and the Board in particular with a view to determining whether the charity's Strategy is offordable, particularly the level of investment in fundraising and the level of commitment for the Children's Canoer Centre.

The Board will not commit the projected investment in the Children's Concer Centre unless it. is satisfied that the project risk is within tolerance and the Finance Model at this time shows the charity to be sustainable, including allowing for any mitigations that may need to be put in place. The investment in fundraising a similarly reviewed on a regular basis to ensure that it is delivering in line with the fundraising strobegy.

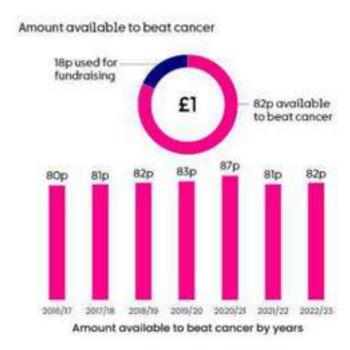
These are effectively the remaining risks shown in the other risks included in this section.

## Digital and accessibility - Cancer Research UK

#### Our annual spend on specific cancer type research



#### Pence in the pound



#### Chief Executive and staff salaries

We know it's important for you to know how we spend your donations. We're transparent in all areas of our work.

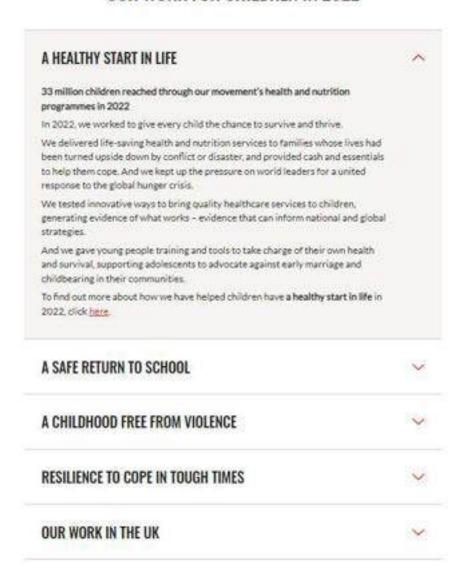
Our Chief Executive, Michelle Mitchell OBE, was paid £254,900 base salary between April 2022 and March 2023.

As the world's leading cancer charity, dedicated to saving lives through research, influence and information, we need to attract and retain high-performing people. The salaries we pay reflect individual responsibilities and performance, whilst ensuring the best use of your donations.

## Digital and accessibility - Save the Children UK



#### **OUR WORK FOR CHILDREN IN 2022**



## Measures of success and impact - Motability



#### AIMS FOR 2021/22

- To continue to achieve high levels of beneficiary satisfaction regarding their application for a grant. ACHIEVED
- To recover from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our grantmaking and return to desired operating and spending levels as quickly as possible. ONGOING
- To continue to build our understanding of the impact that our grant-making has on the transportation needs of our disabled beneficiaries. ACHIEVED

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Build Awareness and Engagement

#### AIMS FOR 2021/22

Create engaging ways of raising awareness both of our charitable work and the Motability Scheme by:

- Launching a new website in June 2021 with full Shaw Trust accessibility accreditation. To launch a new intranet, phase one delivery in September 2021, and to plan for ongoing development and functionality. ACHIEVED
- Compaigns for awareness-raising activity for Grant programmes and for Performance and Engagement initiatives – to be scoped in line with internal capacity and industry capabilities – with beneficiaries, potential beneficiaries, healthcare professionals, disability groups, and other charities and key stakeholder groups. ONGOING

## TSP impact is measured against our six desired outcomes



#### Wellbein

TSP support had the most impact on beneficiaries' wellbeing, with 73% reporting that it made a moderate to significant difference to their wellbeing as they transitioned off the Scheme.



#### Acces

71% of respondents reported that TSP made a moderate to significant difference to their ability to access people and places.



#### Social Connections

The average effect on their ability to maintain social connections was moderate, with 65% of beneficiaries stating that TSP made a moderate to significant difference.



#### Control

There was also a moderate effect on beneficiaries' ability to plan their day and do what they wanted, with 60% of beneficiaries stating that TSP mode a moderate to significant difference to their choice and control.



#### Employment

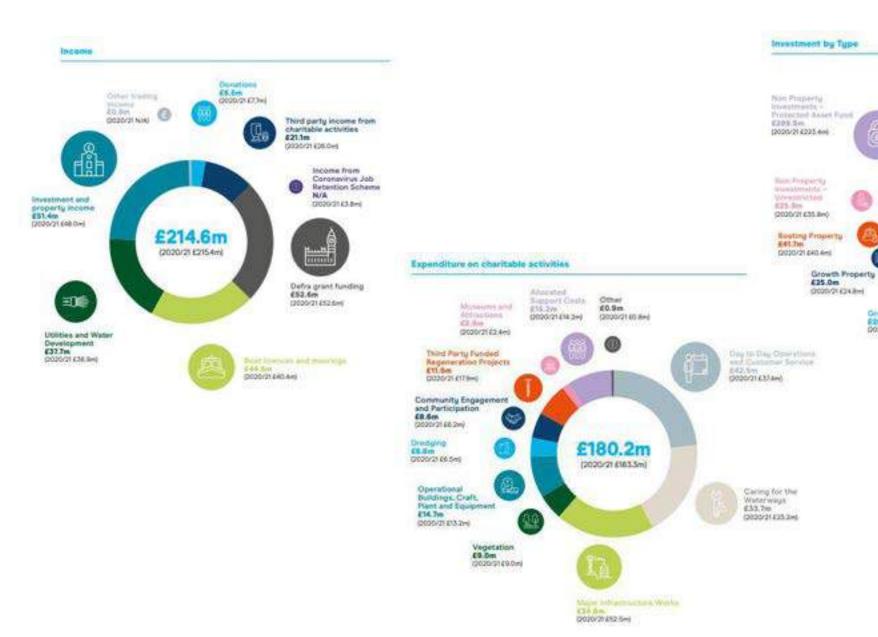
The average effect on employment was lower than other outcomes due to fewer beneficiaries being in employment at the time of leaving the Scheme. Nevertheless, almost 1 in 4 beneficiaries (24%) reported that TSP made a moderate to significant difference to their ability to access employment opportunities or travel to work while they transitioned aff the Scheme.



#### Education

Similarly, only a slight effect on average was seen on beneficiaries' abilities to pursue or continue accessing education while they transitioned off the Scheme. 16% of beneficiaries reported that TSP mode a moderate to significant difference to their ability to pursue education or travel to their place of education.

## Financial review - Canal and River Trust



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\$257.4m

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Indicated Presently

Office Property

(2020/21 £152 3m)

£544.7m

Real-level of Property

D1.04

£56.7m

Other Property

(0000/21 E8.7ml)

69.5m

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Retail Property

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£223.7vp.



Wider developments in charity reporting

## Reporting top tips

### Alignment

## A clear and coherent narrative 'joined up' reporting

Speak with 'one voice' throughout the reporting

## **Streamlining**

- Better reporting does not mean a longer report or disclosing more -'less is more'
  - Step back and carefully (re-)think about the key messages

### **Openness**

- Provide an authentic view of the key challenges and lessons learned alongside successes
- Don't shy away
  from covering
  areas which may
  have fallen short this can reinforce
  credibility

## Context

- Don't just look inwards - provide the wider context, including the
- Show that the charity is alive to the risks and opportunities

environment

external

## **Accessibility**

- Ensure that reporting is accessible to the charity's wide range of stakeholders
- An easy to understand and engaging story with minimal use of 'jargon' or technical language

## Key themes for the upcoming reporting cycle

Financial sustainability and cost of living

People

Organisational change

International context (where applicable)

Sustainability and climate change

Data, digital and technology

Cyber security and external threats

Collaborations and partnerships

## Reporting developments



## **Charities SORP**

## FRS 102 - Periodic Review

#### Revenue recognition

FRED 82 proposed aligning both FRS 102 and FRS 105 towards the five-step model of revenue recognition from IFRS 15. Respondents generally supported the proposed amendments to FRS 102, subject to some specific feedback, much of which suggested greater alignment with IFRS 15. Although there was some support for consistency, respondents raised concerns about the proportionality of the corresponding amendments to FRS 105.

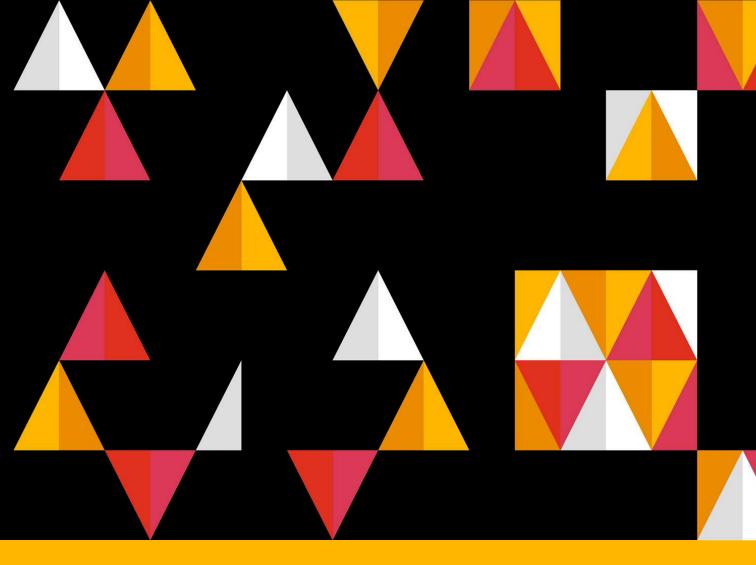
We continue to work towards a 'five-step model' for all FRS 102 and FRS 105 preparers. We are working on fine-tuning the FRS 102 amendments in light of feedback received, and monitoring with interest the progress of the IASB's IFRS for SMEs project, which includes similar proposals. We are seeking further simplifications to ensure proportionality for micro-entities.

#### Lease accounting

FRED 82 proposed aligning FRS 102, but not FRS 105, towards the on-balance sheet lease accounting model from IFRS 16. Many respondents agreed that off-balance sheet operating lease accounting should be replaced, but some were concerned that the costs of aligning with IFRS 16 principles at this point would outweigh the benefits, particularly for smaller companies and charities.

We continue to work towards bringing leases on balance sheet for all FRS 102 preparers. We are reconsidering how to ensure that the model is proportionate and understandable for FRS 102 preparers of all sizes. This may include, for example, clarifying the scope of the recognition exemption for leases of low value assets.

## Thank you



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## Beyond Finance – How to be an effective trustee

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# Beyond Finance How to be an effective trustee

**ICAEW Conference** 

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13<sup>th</sup> March 2024



### **Quote**

I've seen many great charities with poor governance systems

I've also seen many poor charities with great governance systems!

CEO
Charity Infrastructure Body



## What we will cover today

- The context within which we work
- Potential barriers/pitfalls for trustees
- Appropriate governance
- Key take aways





## **Context: The charity sector**

- 160,000 registered charities (England/Wales)
- Wide range of organisations
- 1,000,000 trustee roles

Charity Commission rules/guidelines apply for all charities



## The trustee role description

- Ensure the charity provides public benefit & acts within the governing document
- Are accountable and report as required
- Utilise assets/resources to best effect
- Act with reasonable care and skill
- Always act in the best interests of the charity's beneficiaries (\*)

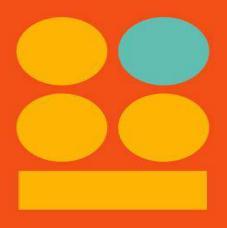


Source: The Essential Trustee CC3



## **Key principle**

Understanding a role description is no guarantee of good performance



## **Potential Barriers**

- 1. Rules
- 2. Decisions
- 3. Relationships



## 1. Rules

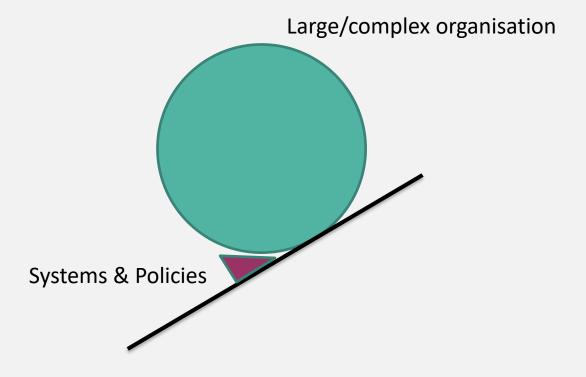
"Control & Creativity"

Sir Terence Conran

Good governance or appropriate governance?

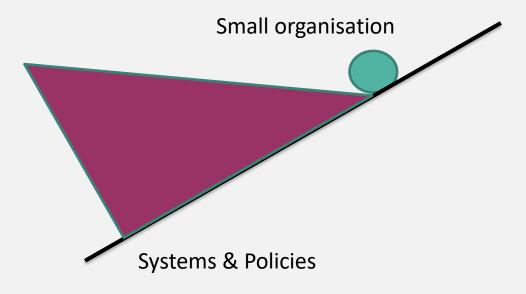


## **Inappropriate Governance – high risk**



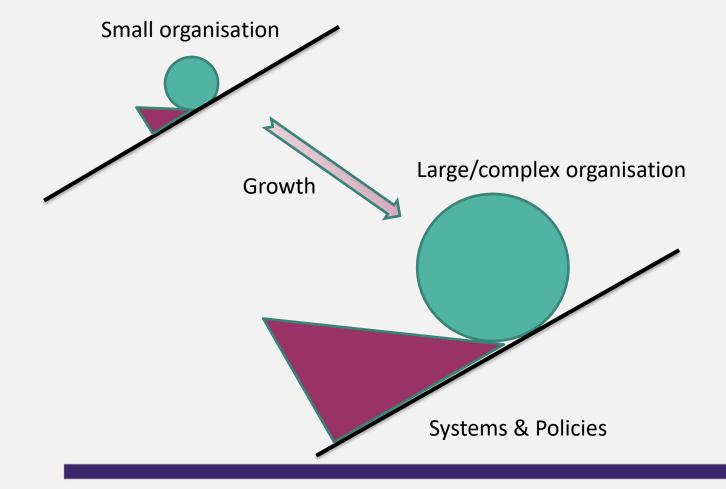


## **Inappropriate Governance – risk averse**

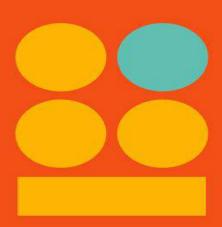




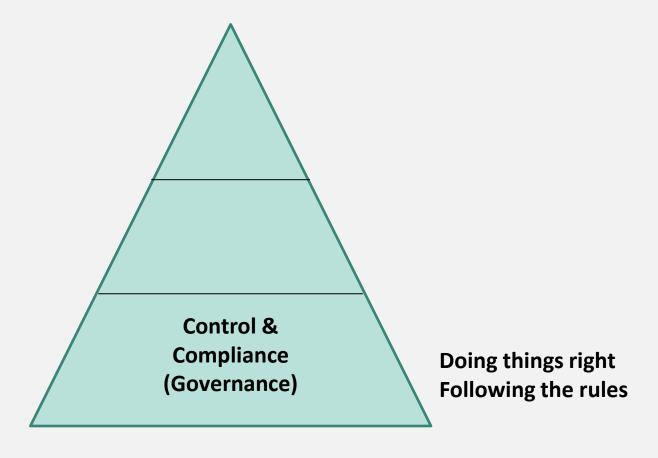
## **Appropriate (Good?) Governance**

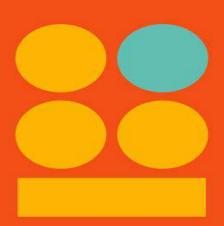


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## The Trustee's Focus





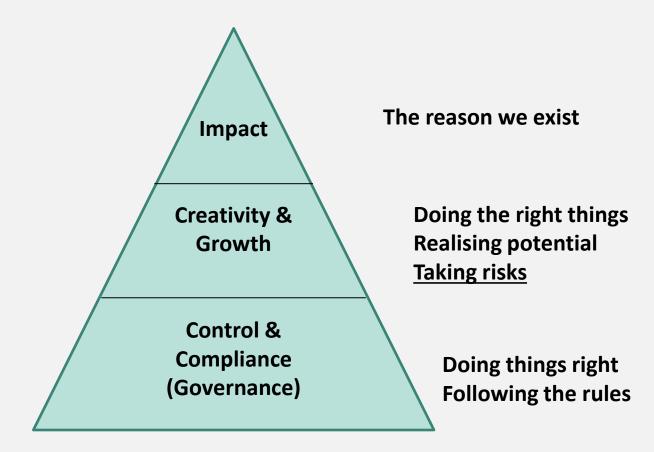
### The Trustee's Focus





### The Trustee's Focus

Where's the fun?





### Rules

- Some rules really are rules e.g. annual reporting requirements; safeguarding...
- Rules are <u>essential</u>, but not sufficient

#### Pitfall:

Following all the rules and thinking the job is done



# **Questions?**



# 2. Decisions

**Boards make decisions** 

Good Boards make good decisions



### **Types of decision**

Management
vs
Leadership Decisions

A story



### Management vs Leadership Decisions

#### **Management** (The role description)

Seek the 'right' answer Follow the rules

#### **Leadership** (Beyond the role description)

Are ambiguous often with no single answer

Require trade-offs

Require interpretation within a specific context

#### Pitfall:

Not being prepared for trade-offs

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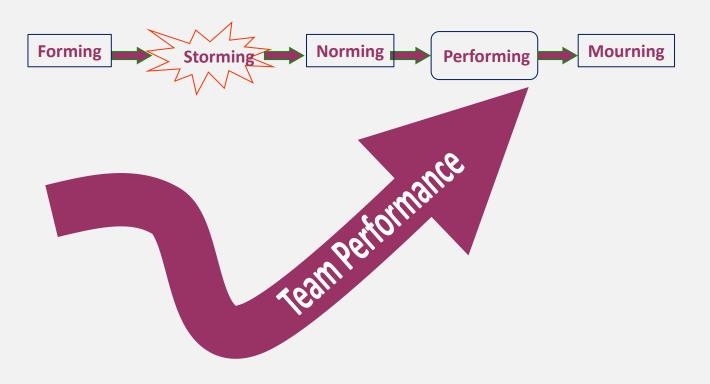


# 3. Relationships

Collective decisions require open and honest dialogue which is only achieved with high engagement and trust

Q: How much time does your board spend developing team relationships?

# The team forming process



Pitfall:
Focusing on tasks and failing to spend sufficient time on team dynamics



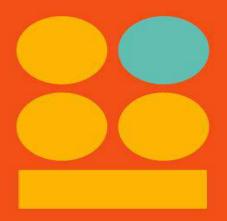
### **Key take-aways for trustees**

- 1. The role requires more than following rules
- The role is a blend of management and leadership decisions; control and creativity
- 3. It's all about the impact with beneficiaries
  - The voice the beneficiary requires representation
  - Robust decision making requires diversity
  - Collective decisions require a team
- 4. You have been entrusted with the charity's assets for a <u>limited time</u>. What will you do with them?

Will you hand back a safe organisation or a better organisation?



# **Questions?**



# **Thank You**

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# Closing remarks

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