

THREE PEAS

Charitable Incorporated Organisation No 1172777

ANNUAL REPORT

and Financial Statements

for the year to 30 September 2022

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Name: Three Peas

Registered Charity number: 1172777 (England and Wales)

Charity's Registered Office: 54 Mount Ararat Road, Richmond upon Thames

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Patrons: Roxanna Panufnik and Axel Scheffler

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the period ending 30 September 2022

1. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trustees present the report and financial statements for Three Peas from 1 October 2021 to 30 September 2022. The charity is governed by its Constitution. The trustees are responsible for the overall management and control of the charity. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2015), (Charities SORP FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees:

The Constitution provides for a minimum of three trustees and should there be a requirement for new trustees they would be identified and appointed by the current trustees according to their relevant skills, knowledge and experience. Trustees are confirmed in post at the Annual General Meeting. A new trustee would receive a copy of the current Constitution, the previous year's Annual Report and Accounts and a copy of the Charity commission leaflet "The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know.

Operation and Risk Management:

The Trustees administer the charity along with two additional members and meetings are held monthly. The trustees are aware of their duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The charity maintains a risk register and policy and areas of potential operational risk are reviewed at these meetings. Financial sustainability would be the main risk for the charity. However, this is monitored by regularly reviewing and reporting of the reserves and ensuring funding is in place ahead of any major new projects.

2. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Purpose of the Charity:

The purpose of the charity is to operate for the benefit of the public in the prevention or relief of poverty of refugees in Europe and the developing world by providing grants, items, and services to individuals in need and/or charities or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

Aims and Activities

Three Peas is committed to providing essential grassroots support to vulnerable refugees in Europe. Activity to date has been focussed on Greece with principal projects in northern Greece and on the island of Lesvos. Through our close working relationship with a number of different organisations on the ground we are able to respond quickly to the ever-changing crisis in order to provide relief and benefit for refugees both in and around the refugee camps and in the community.

In additional to financial support it is essential that we maintain public awareness of the desperateness of the humanitarian crisis in Europe. In addition to social media activity, we collaborate with other interested organisations to highlight this and keep up the pressure on human rights organisations.

Public Benefit

The trustees, in making their decisions, have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and are committed to ensuring that their support reaches refugee communities and vulnerable families most at risk and in need. To this end Three Peas have chosen to support:

- Projects in community spaces and refugee camps, supplying food, medical support, clothing and other essentials to individuals with little or no other means of support
- Housing projects for vulnerable young adults and families on Lesvos and in northern Greece
- Health and education: sports and language projects to facilitate integration in local communities
- Sourcing and deliveries of essential goods and supplies, such as clothing, baby equipment, toiletries and medical supplies, to organisations providing for refugees.

3. ACHIEVEMENTS

Overall, the number of refugees arriving in Greece remains consistent despite receiving little attention from the press. The disengagement of governmental and international bodies (for example the closing down of the European funded ESTIA housing programme) leaves even more refugees and asylum seekers homeless, and services in and outside the camps are generally insufficient.

The start of the war in Ukraine in March 2022 is also having a devastating impact on the refugee population in Greece. Much of the world's attention and funds have been channelled towards the support for people navigating the Ukrainian crisis and all our partners operating in Greece have reported drops in donations, be they financial or material. The inflation caused by the war and other geopolitical events also impacts their budgets and most have had to cut down on their services and/or reach.

This year, we mostly focused on maintaining and increasing our support to our long-established partners, helping them stabilise their level of support and services to the communities in need. As always, we followed their actions and impact on the ground via online meetings, direct communication by electronic means and detailed reporting, as well as through face-to-face meetings when the pandemic restrictions made it possible.

Spring 2022 also saw the beginning of war in Ukraine, triggering another wave of people having to leave their home behind. As well as our actions in Greece we started supporting refugees arriving from Ukraine in neighbouring countries.

GREECE Mainland and Islands

If the number of arrivals on the islands declined in the winter months, it has picked up consistently since Spring 2022.

Over the last 12 months, the authorities didn't control movements from the islands to the mainland, leading to an exodus of the refugee population onto the mainland, principally Athens. The "open" camps on the islands have been closed and refugees are instead housed in "monitored camps".

The consequences are twofold:

Firstly a decrease of supporting programmes on the **Greek islands** as many NGOs closed their operations there by the end of winter, leaving very little help to the refugee population still there or arriving.

We hence increased our support to Just Action, an organisation serving the refugee and most vulnerable populations on Samos. They strive to create positive links and common goals between the refugee and local communities, and also try to limit the environmental impact of their work. We helped them maintain the quality of the food packs they distribute. We also funded the bus tickets for refugees to be able to travel from the faraway camp to the town centre where they can find the Just Action free shop as well as legal help and healthcare services provided by other organisations.

On Lesbos we financed Attika Human Support's housing programme.

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Secondly an increase in a non-registered and paperless refugee population in **Athens** with very little or no access to state help, leading many vulnerable individuals to homelessness, police pick-ups, trafficking and prostitution. We have increased our support to STEPS, an organisation serving the refugee and homeless communities. This allowed them to extend their food pack distribution as well as their legal and medical street outreach services.

In addition to our ongoing financing of YSFR Sport Centre Athens, we extended our support by funding their new small office and training centre located in close proximity.

The refugee support network cannot function without warehouses where reception, sorting out and distributions of donated goods to other NGOs are organised. We therefore have increased our monthly support to Attika Human Support, which runs the biggest warehouse of this nature in Greece.

The northern town of **Thessaloniki**, the first major point of arrival for those crossing at the Turkish land border, still sees many paperless refugees and support is substandard. We continued our partnership with Wave-Thessaloniki, a small community centre focused on providing meals and essentials such as shoes, clothing, sleeping bags to the most vulnerable and those who sleep rough in the city.

UKRAINE'S NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

In the first month of the war, we provided emergency support to two of our Greek partners who travelled to the borders of Ukraine. In **Poland** we helped support a transport service run by Attika Human Support bringing refugees to safe locations and also funded the medical centre and mobile team of Med'Equali.

We supported the setting up of a transit centre for people escaping Ukraine at its **Romanian border**, set up by Refugee 4 Refugees.

We knew these organisations from previous collaborations in Greece.

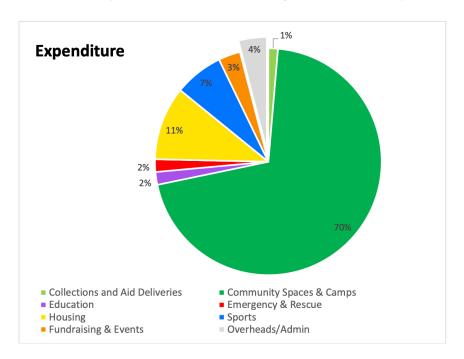
In **Czech Republic**, we sourced and organised the transport of donations of prams and baby food to Caritas Prague. We also supported education packs and material there.

We supported the NHCC (Nové Hrady Community Centre). Nove Hrady is a small town close to the Austrian border, with a local community centre which since the beginning of the war provides exceptional support to many Ukrainian refugees.

We funded a summer camp organised by the NHCC to allow Ukrainian children to catch up on their missed education and learn the Czech language through art & craft and sport activities. They were thus ready to integrate into the Czech education system in September 2022, with as smooth as possible a school start.

We also started working on a long-term project with NHCC and now fund a psychologist and translator/activity facilitator positions, helping the children and their parents to settle into their new life. We are in close contact with the centre through reporting, and Nové Hrady being near to the hometown of one of the Three Peas members, in person contact is easy and frequent.





4. FUNDRAISING

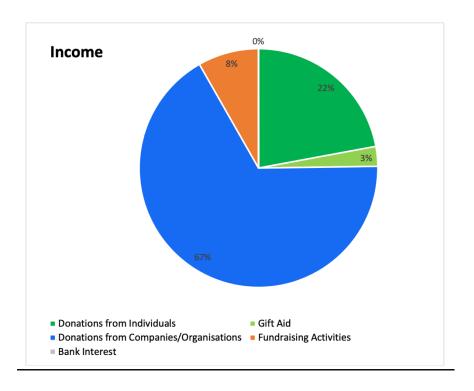
During the pandemic and in its wake, we didn't have the opportunity to organise our regular fundraisers. Our supporters have been our lifeline. We are grateful to those private supporters who donated to us either through one-off or regular donations, and those who organised private fundraisers to benefit us.

In September 2022, for the first time since the pandemic, we have been able to organise our Jem Stone's Village Disco. This event, as well as raising much needed funds is important as it gives the Charity more visibility and thereby widens our community of supporters.

We also received support from several independent publishers through auctioning of our patron's artwork and the selling of Christmas book cards.

Scholastic UK have continued to support Three Peas through donations resulting from the sale of their book *KIND* written by Alison Green and illustrated by 38 illustrators and have thereby made it possible for us to carry on -and increase- our help to the amazing organisations on the ground throughout the pandemic.

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5. FUTURE PLANS

Three Peas' intend to continue to focus on Greece as funds and goods donations are at an all-time low.

We will carry on working with our partners on the ground with whom we have built exceptional relationship and trust. We want to keep supporting the work they do with such care, humanity, and efficiency.

However, recognizing the great positive impact on the refugee population and its integration that the work of the NHCC in Czech Republic is having in this small town, we would like to also keep supporting them.

In addition, Three Peas would like to research and develop support to organisations providing legal support to refugees and people in need as well as the teenage/young adult communities.

We will always also stay approachable for emergency help.

We would like to maintain, develop and widen our connection with our communities here in the UK, and explore other ways of raising funds (grants etc) to vary and increase our sources of income.

We are able to look to forward with confidence thanks to Scholastic, publisher of the Kind book. Scholastic has planned a Kind Activity book to be published in November 2022. The activity book will bring another source of income and further advertise the Kind book.

6. THANK YOU

Our thanks go to our donors and to those who follow our work and spread the word.

Many volunteers contribute to Three Peas' activities in a variety of ways, through helping at events with catering, organising, and hosting, and through their own fundraising efforts on our behalf. We would particularly like to thank our team of Three Peas 'Angels' for their tireless support in this respect. We thank Deutsche Schule London, Chettle Fete and Eel Pie Swim for their fundraisers.

We would like to thank composer Roxanna Panufnik, who joins Axel Scheffler as patron of Three Peas and whose humanity aligns so well with ours.

Our thanks go to our patron illustrator Axel Scheffler who has been offering his time, energy and connections in support of our work.

Our thanks go to Anne Hornby, who retired from her post as trustee in December 2021, for her dedicated work, bringing her experience and good humour to Three Peas. We thank Maria Ribas and Ulla Steinhauer for joining us as new trustees.

Our thanks also go to all our funders, including Britax-Römer for their donations in kind, Nosy Crow for their support through auctioning of Axel's work, and Renard Press with the publication of The Gift of the Magi Christmas book cards.

Our special thanks go to the amazing team at Scholastic publishers for their donations from sales of *KIND*, its author Alison Green and the 38 illustrators of *Kind* who all gave their work, without whom our scope of activities and impact would be much reduced.

7. FINANCIAL REVIEW

This financial period of the Charity is for the 12 months ended 30th September 2022.

At the balance sheet date, the Charity had free reserves amounting to £133,298 being the excess of income over expenditure generated on unrestricted funds since commencement. During the year the Charity provided funds of £86,919 to support refugees in Greece.

As noted above the Charity relies heavily on voluntary support and donations. An accurate estimate of the monetary value for this could not be determined and therefore no account of these is recorded in the financial statements.

The Charity does not have a reserves policy at present, but it seeks to ensure that it continues to raise sufficient income to allow it to continue to provide support as and when it is required.

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8. DECLARATIONS

The trustees declare that they have taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

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

Signed on behalf of the trustees of Three Peas

Signature:

Full Name: Martina Riot

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Position: Trustee

Date: 23 February 2023

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Three Peas

I report on the accounts of Three Peas for the period ended 30th September 2022, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes, set out on pages 13 to 14.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 8 of the Charities Act 2011. My examination has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my examination, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider 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;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- To 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 Commissioners. 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 a 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 145 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Statement of Financial Activities For the year to 30th September 2022

<u>Note</u>

		30 September 2022	30 September 2021
Income and endowments:			
Grants and private donations		31,350	38,828
Donation from book sales Income from trading activities Interest received		80,816 14,385 27	56,252 - 3
Total		126,578	94,883
Expenditure on			
Raising funds Charitable activities	3 4	3,280 86,919	881 103,033
Other costs	5	2,714	2,148
Total		92,913	106,062
Other gains/(losses) – foreign exchang	ge	(7)	(36)
Net movements in funds Total funds brought forward		33,658 99,640 ———	(11,215) 110,855
Total funds carried forward at 30 th September 2022		£133,298	£99,640

Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2022

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
Current Assets		
Cash at bank Cash in hand Accrued income	134,408 140 -	99,922 750 218
	134,548	100,890
Current liabilities		
Creditors	(1,250)	(1,250)
Net current assets	133,298	99,640
Total net assets	133,298	99,640
Represented by:		
Restricted funds Unrestricted funds	133,298	99,640
	133,298	99,640

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 23 February 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Martina Riot

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Financial Statements for the year ended 30th September 2022

Notes

1. Background

Three Peas is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered in England and Wales under registration number 1172777 and its principal office is 54 Mount Ararat Road, Richmond, TW10 6PJ.

2. Principal Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2015), (Charities SORP FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Three Peas meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost.

(b) Going concern

The ability of the charity to undertake its activities is largely dependent upon the receipt of donations and revenue from trading activities. Those revenues cannot be guaranteed and are heavily dependent upon the efforts and contributions of the trustees.

The trustees manage the activities of the charity based upon its level of reserves and anticipated guaranteed future income. Because of this the trustees consider that the continuing viability of the trust is assured and that it is therefore appropriate to prepare accounts on the going concern basis.

(c) Incoming resources

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis and recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to the funds, any performance conditions attached to an award have been met, it is probable that income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably

(d) Expenses

Expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis.

(e) Reserves

Income received for a restricted purpose less related expenditure is recorded as a restricted fund. All other income is recorded as unrestricted.

(f) Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities are translated into pounds sterling at the exchange rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. Gains or losses arising on the retranslation of balance sheet items are accounted for in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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Notes (Continued)

3.	Expenditure on raising funds		
		<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
	Events	2,898	-
	Publicity and other costs	382	881
		3,280	881
4.	Expenditure on Charitable Activities		
		<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
	Project expenditure	86,263	102,416
	Miscellaneous expenditure	656	617
		86,919	103,033
5.	Other Costs	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
		£	£

The Charity had no employees and no trustees received any expenses. The Trustees are considered to be the key management of the charity.

1,761

2,714

953

1,718

2,148

430

6. Reserves

Accountancy

(including independent examiner's fee of £750) Bank charges

At 1st October 2021 Excess of income over expenditure	Restricted Reserves £	Unrestricted Reserves £ 99,640 33,658	Total Reserves £ 99,640 33,658
At 30 th September 2022		133,298	133,298