

Trustee's | 2020 / 2021 Annual Report



wheelstoheal
recycling chairs : rebuilding lives
Charity Reg. No. SC048507

Recycling during a pandemic

Objectives and activities

Our organisation Wheels to Heal has continued to build on the success since our previous Annual Report. We have now recycled over 9,000 wheelchairs and 8,500 mobility aids including Zimmer Frames, crutches, walking sticks and often high-end equipment such as medical beds, specialised wheelchairs, and therapeutic baths, all for reuse by those in need in countries affected by conflict, economic or political constraints on their access to the most basic of human right, mobility. We continue to be overwhelmed with generosity from Care Homes other organisations and individuals who donate their functional and at times precious aids. Our volunteer base has grown but remains small and fluctuates according to the awareness raised and the time people can dedicate.

We are still committed to remaining a 100% donation and volunteer led project (125% where Gift Aid is included).

Research has found that in developing countries only 10% of disabled people possess a wheelchair. This means that millions of disabled people in third-world countries face unnecessary barriers to fulfilling their life potential.

Many simply cannot afford a new wheelchair which can cost anywhere between £300-£500, or even a used one. Our charity has continued to build and expand upon the foundation we have established over the past five years.

We have improved the physical, emotional, and often the economic well-being of thousands of people across the world who face barriers to mobility due to impoverished situations, social stigma, access, and conflict.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Khalid Raza – Chairperson
Abid Ali – General Secretary
Wakas Ahmed – Treasurer (interim)

We are achieving our vision by:

- Building upon our previous success within Scotland's care home sector, we have since further extended our free quarterly uplift service through extensive networking and building of relationships throughout mainland U.K.
- Implementing a strategic redesign of our website, incorporating reputable donation platforms (JustGiving, PayPal and Facebook) which has resulted in additional online donations.
- The ongoing use of advertising via Facebook and Google has helped raised our profile and awareness, but most importantly the donations of mobility equipment from individuals.

Our ethos will continue to embrace the importance humanitarian and environmental well-being with our goal to recycle mobility aids which can be reused by people in areas without access to the same support system that exists in the UK for the disabled.

Reducing the amount of waste and landfill in the UK through recycling and reusing the mobility aids overseas and benefiting people who have no access to this type of life changing equipment.

Enabling those who cannot afford or have no access to mobility aids in many countries which are either developing their economy or facing conflict or civil unrest remains a central tenet of our approach.

The global COVID pandemic brought many challenges to the charity. We were able to navigate through them all and build momentum.

Structure, governance and management

Our organisation remains a Single Tier Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation. As part of our initiation process we developed and agreed an Operational Plan to outline our core objectives and aims and we have and will continued to maintain adherence to that structure.

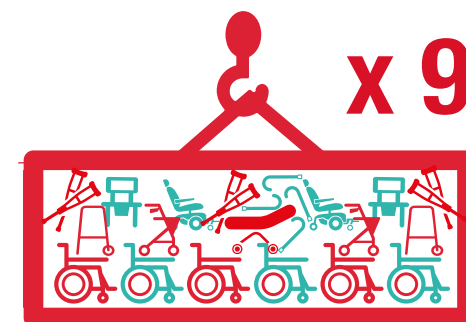
Where appropriate we will adapt our governing documents adhering to the guidance outlined within our Constitutional Guidelines.

Trustee recruitment and appointment;

Our trustees will continue to be a core, dedicated trio of Office Bearers, who are passionate about:

- advocating and practicing equality for all
- improving access to mobility as part of basic human rights
- targeting and helping those who are disabled overseas where they are particularly impacted by conflict of one nature or another or where the local environments impact access to these aids

We are encouraging our core volunteers to join our Board and intend to maintain a diversity of both Trustees and support network.



Delivering an emotional legacy

Achievements and performance

During 2020 and 2021 our team of volunteers and supporters across the spectrum have enabled us to not only achieve our initial targets but surpass our own expectations. The target was 4 containers and we have managed to deliver an astounding record of 9 containers in total this period.

Our aim in the next period is to consolidate that number further and are actively looking to deliver containers to Somalia, Pakistan, Uganda and Sri Lanka to name a few key regions before the end of the 2022 accounting period.

Delivering Hope and Mobility to Those Overseas

- Ghana – we worked with our trusted new partners Hinterland Trust and Awan Foundation UK to load a container in Birmingham which left in April 2021. Our chairman alongside our partners visited Kumasi in Ghana to assist with and oversee the distribution of the mobility aids in May.
- Broomfield care home in Chelmsford donated an articulated lorry of various mobility aids.
- A 40ft mobility aid container was also unloaded in April from Belfast to Bradford

- May 2021 - clear out of a 100 bed care home in Glasgow.
- Loaded a 40ft mobility aid container for Syria from Glasgow with a new partner – SEMA. The aids were distributed in June
- June 2021, Pakistan – a 40ft mobility aid container was loaded from Glasgow. Distribution was in December 2021 when our chairman visited.
- July 2021, Bradford to Kurdistan in Northern Iraq with a new partner - Barzani Charity Foundation, distributed in August 2021.

- 18 functioning electric care home beds were collected from a care home in Edinburgh
- We also assisted other charities with the supply of Mobility Aids – including UWT (Ummah Welfare Trust) for Syria in June
- Partnerships providing goodwill storage include Big Yellow Self Storage Dagenham, Bestway Luton, Awan Plc Birmingham and The Bazaar Bradford.

- Our chairman was accoladed with the British Citizens Award for International Achievement in January.

- A volunteer in Glasgow raised £2,000 during the month of Ramadan bake sale.

- Two families committed to a full container donation of £10,000 for Pakistan and Kurdistan, Iraq respectively.

- Our Ramadan fundraising appeal on Radio Awaz raised the largest amount by any charity of over £20,000. An incredible achievement.

- Our volunteers completed the 4 quarterly uplifts covering the whole of mainland U.K., despite all of the issues arising from Covid Lockdown restrictions and Brexit.



THE BRITISH CITIZEN AWARD

The Honours are a benchmark against which individuals will be able to measure their standing in the community; the respect with which they are held by others; and benefit from recognition for their endeavour.



Receipts and Payments Account / Year ended 30 June 2021


Receipts	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	2021	2020	2019
Donations received		£100,246	£100,246	£59,515	£39,146
Total Receipts		<u>£100,246</u>	<u>£100,246</u>	<u>£59,515</u>	<u>£39,146</u>
Payments					
Cost of fund raising	4	£2,817	£2,817	£3,237	£234
Cost of charitable activities	5	£20,217	£20,217	£5,859	£830
Equipment donated (including Delivery and other costs)	6	£21,192	£21,192	£32,176	£19,043
Total Payments		<u>£44,226</u>	<u>£44,226</u>	<u>£41,272</u>	<u>£20,107</u>
Surplus for the Year		<u>£56,020</u>	<u>£56,020</u>	<u>£18,243</u>	<u>£19,039</u>


Statement of Balances / As at 30 June, 2021

Funds Reconciliation	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019
Cash at bank Opening balance	£37,282	£37,282	£19,039	£0
Surplus for year	£56,020	£56,020	£18,243	£19,039
Cash at bank Closing balance	<u>£93,302</u>	<u>£93,302</u>	<u>£37,282</u>	<u>£19,039</u>
Bank Balances				
Bank Current Account	£93,302	£93,302	£37,282	£19,309

All funds are unrestricted

The notes below form an integral part of these accounts which were approved by the Trustees on the 31st of March 2022 and signed on their behalf by:


Khalid Raza (Chairperson)


Abid Ali (General Secretary)

Notes to the Accounts / Year ended 30 June 2021

	30-June-21	Total 2020	Total 2019
4 Cost of Fund Raising			
Advertising	£2,257	2767	234
IT and web site	£560	470	
	<u>£2,817</u>	<u>3237</u>	<u>234</u>
5 Cost of Charitable Activities			
Van hire and expenses	£10,118	3936	570
Stationery & printing	£1,121	1092	
Travelling expenses	£6,277	236	185
Insurance	£1,314		
Utilities	£332	236	75
Sundries	£315	328	
Miscellaneous	£740	31	
	<u>£20,217</u>	<u>5859</u>	<u>830</u>
6 Equipment Donated			
Equipment Purchased	£4,995	15730	19043
Delivery and renovation	£16,197	16446	
	<u>£21,192</u>	<u>32176</u>	<u>19043</u>



Ghana



Lebanon



Pakistan



Malawi



Syria

Concept investment to transform more lives

Financial review

Our objective remains firmly to raise funds that are used solely to collect, store, recycle and send unused and unwanted mobility aids from the UK and deliver these to people in need across the world.

We have secured funding from two strategic partners for resourcing the charity. The amount of £30,000 to assist with raising awareness of the charity, advertising particularly during Ramadan, human resource for expanding the equipment donor base and storage. The second of £20,000 paid in quarterly increments will be paid over the 2021-2022 period. We are reviewing the possibility of hiring a project worker to support our expansion plans.