Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2016 for MESILA UK

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# Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2016. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

## **Objectives and aims**

The main objects of the charity are, to advance the education of members of Israel's Orthodox Jewish Community; to achieve permanent financial stability and rescue them from the cycle of poverty and debt.

## ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

#### Charitable activities

Mesila Israel's mission is to empower families and businesses to seek, achieve and maintain financial stability.

During the year Mesila UK has been able to continue to donate funds to Mesila Israel.

Through these donations Mesila Israel has brought the principles of correct financial management to the forefront of public consciousness by raising public awareness of the importance of financial stability and independence through:

#### a. Education

Youth - elementary, junior high, high school and post high school programs.

Creation of public awareness towards economic responsibility.

Provision of solutions to counter long-term, problematic financial behaviour enabling people to get out and stay out of debt and poverty.

#### b. Prevention

Seminars, workshops, webinars and informational events on domestic budgeting.

Development of materials for distribution to the public highlighting the need for fiscal responsibility and the ways this can be achieved.

Development and distribution of learning resources for use in schools to educate students of all ages on financial matters.

Learning resources for couples (both young and old) on how to effectively manage a regular household budget and budgets for special occasions.

### c. Counselling

Family counselling - the process involves the 3 basic stages - awareness, change, and maintenance; and ends with a concluding session to launch the family into an independent future.

Business counselling - Either a one time business consulting session or ongoing business counselling which involves building a strategic business plan, implementation, on site visits and employee training.

Training new counsellors is an ongoing concern in Israel as the demand continuously outstrips the supply. Mesila Israel is committed to helping families and businesses facing the devastation of debt and have seen considerable success in turning them around setting them on their feet.

# d. Training representatives

To this end;

Books, pamphlets, training programs have been developed

Seminars, conferences and up-to-date training sessions have been provided by expert professionals.

The maintenance of a control centre to oversee all processes has been implemented.

Additionally, the trustees of Mesila UK have appointed an executive director part of whose responsibility is to put in place and oversee, an infrastructure for provision of services in the UK. A pilot project was launched successfully, in which the family coaching service was delivered to numerous families in London, as well as provision of Mesila's educational programmes in secondary schools

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in fulfilment thereof have supported the enrolment of new families for counselling. No individual or family who can be helped is refused assistance. For individuals who are not close to a local branch Mesila Israel offers its services via skype or telephone to avail as many individuals as possible of the assistance they require.

# Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### Reserves policy

The trustees only distribute funds that have been received by the charity; and do not make donations in excess of donations received. The level of reserves required is equivalent to 3 months of expenditure for administrating the charity. The trustees believe they have established a level of reserves sufficient for this purpose.

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net surplus for the year of £29,594 (2015: net deficit £8,623) and our reserves stand at £37,727 (2015: £8.133) in total.

## **FUTURE PLANS**

Due to the ever increasing demand, the trustees expect that their services will continue to be required and intend to continue providing to Mesila Israel whilst having to retain flexibility as to the timing, and scale of grant making.

## STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

## **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

## Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The charity currently has five trustees. Any new appointments are at the recommendation of the board.

## Organisational structure

The Board of Trustees must, as per the governing document, have no more than 5 trustees, serving at anyone time. Were there a requirement for new trustees, these would be identified and appointed by the remaining trustees.

#### Risk management

The trustees have a 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.

## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

# **Registered Charity number**

1114573

# Principal address

Unit 10 6th Floor, Berkley House 18-24 High Street Edgware HA8 7RP

#### **Trustees**

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Independent examiner

Abigail Sayagh Chartered Accountant 12 Beverley Gardens London NW11 9DG

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29 January 2017 and signed on its behalf by:

M Hackenbroch - Trustee

# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of MESILA UK

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016 set out on pages four to eight.

### 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 required.

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 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of the 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 statements 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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have 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.

Abigail Sayagh Chartered Accountant 12 Beverley Gardens London NW11 9DG

29 January 2017

# Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

		31.3.16	31.3.15
		Unrestricted	Total
		fund	funds
DIGOLES AND ENDOWNERS EDOLE	Notes	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	_		
Donations and legacies	2	123,436	137,905
Charitable activities	4		
Seminars & workshops		-	1,200
Investment income	3	13	22
Total		123,449	139,127
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EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities	5		
Grants to Institutions		85,700	145,000
Seminars & workshops		993	279
Other		7,162	2,471
Total		93,855	147,750
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		29,594	(8,623)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		8,133	16,756
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		37,727	8,133
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# Balance Sheet At 31 March 2016

	N.	0	31.3.16 Unrestricted fund	31.3.15 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS Cash at bank			38,427	8,733
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	8		(700)	(600)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			37,727	8,133
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			37,727	8,133
NET ASSETS			37,727	8,133
FUNDS	9			
Unrestricted funds	7		37,727	8,133
TOTAL FUNDS			37,727	8,133

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 29 January 2017 and were signed on its behalf by:

M Hackenbroch -Trustee

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRSSE) '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)', the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015) and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

#### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

## **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Donations		31.3.16 £ 123,436	31.3.15 £ 137,905
3.	INVESTMENT INCOME			
	Deposit account interest		31.3.16 £ 	31.3.15 £ 22
4.	INCOME FROM CHARITA	ABLE ACTIVITIES		
	Income from programmes	Activity Seminars & workshops	31.3.16 £	31.3.15 £ 1,200

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

# 5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

		Direct costs	Grant funding of activities (See note 6)	Totals
	0 ' 0 11	£	£	£
	Seminars & workshops	993	<u>-</u>	993
	Grants to Institutions	-	85,700	85,700
		993	85,700	86,693
6.	GRANTS PAYABLE			
			31.3.16 £	31.3.15 £
	Grants to Institutions		85,700	145,000
	The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:			
			31.3.16	31.3.15
	N		£	£
	Mesila		85,700	145,000

# 7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended  $31 \, \text{March} \, 2016$  nor for the year ended  $31 \, \text{March} \, 2015$ .

# Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2016 nor for the year ended 31 March 2015.

# 8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.16 £	31.3.15 £
Accrued expenses	700	600
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# 9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

		Net movement	
	At 1.4.15 £	in funds £	At 31.3.16 £
Unrestricted funds General fund	8,133	29,594	37,727
TOTAL FUNDS	8,133	29,594	37,727

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

# 9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds General fund	123,449	(93,855)	29,594
TOTAL FUNDS	123,449	(93,855)	29,594

# 10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2016.

# Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

	31.3.16 £	31.3.15 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies Donations	123,436	137,905
Investment income Deposit account interest	13	22
Charitable activities Income from programmes		1,200
Total incoming resources	123,449	139,127
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities Website & telephone Postage and stationery Travel Grants to institutions	128 643 222 85,700 86,693	126 81 72 145,000 145,279
Support costs Finance Bank charges Governance costs Administration costs Accountancy and legal fees	5,800 700	742 1,129 600
Total resources expended	93,855	1,729
Net income/(expenditure)	29,594	(8,623)