## HelpAge International UK

Publicly known as Age International

Report of trustees and annual accounts 2017/18

Company Registration number 7897113

## **About Age International**

## Age International is a charity dedicated to the needs and rights of older people in developing countries.

The Charity exists to help older people in developing countries improve their income, escape poverty, receive the right kind of healthcare, survive emergencies, and have their contributions to families and communities recognised and valued.

Age International's vision is of a world in which women and men everywhere can lead dignified, healthy and secure lives as they grow older.

#### Age International is working towards a world in which older women and men can say:

- I am given the help and information I want in emergencies
- I have the income I need, and enjoy the best possible health and care
- My voice is heard by decision-makers
- I am safe and secure, free from discrimination, violence and abuse.

Age International is a subsidiary charity of Age UK, the UK member of the HelpAge global network, and a member of the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC).

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### Message from the outgoing Chairman and the incoming Chair



2017/18, as you will read in the pages that follow, was a year when Age International responded to extreme levels of humanitarian need resulting from the continuing crisis in Yemen, the food crisis in East Africa, and the plight of Rohingya refugees fleeing to Bangladesh. Our distinctive approach to identifying and responding to the needs of older people, from the use of a specialist assessment tool, to the provision of specialist services for older people, to advocating on behalf of older people to other service providers, enabled us to make an effective impact well beyond the size of our programmes.

Our longer term programmes and our policy influencing and advocacy work have continued to be central to the mission of Age International.

This document is, of course, a report of work done over the course of the last year. It is also full of themes that Age International takes forward into its future work - the sometimes heart-rending levels of need among so many of the world's older people, and the resourcefulness, courage and energy that so many older people bring to their efforts to improve their own lives and those of their families.

Having stepped down as Chairman of the Board of Trustees in April 2018, I am pleased to be able to continue to support this work as a member of the Board.

Dianne Jeffrey

Chairman April 2012 - April 2018





In April 2018, after six years, Dianne Jeffrey stepped down as Chairman of Age International's Board. The Board and staff owe Dianne a huge debt of gratitude for her leadership of the Board over this period, as it worked with staff to set strategy, develop its partnerships and programmes, and established its role in policy influencing and advocacy both in the UK and globally. Dianne visited partners and programmes in Africa, Asia and Latin America during her time as Chairman, brought a wealth of knowledge and wisdom from her experience of working on ageing issues in the UK, and was tireless in her support. We are delighted that Dianne will continue to serve Age International as a trustee.

As Dianne wrote in last year's annual report, the older people with and for whom we work 'remind us of the need to uphold the dignity and rights of people, whatever their age, and to ensure that older people are not discriminated against or overlooked'.

Age International remains proud to be part of the global HelpAge network. We hope that this report demonstrates how much we have achieved, and reminds us how much more there is to be done in the years ahead.

**Ann Keeling** Chair April 2018 -

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## **Our achievements**





'Before, I was so helpless, I couldn't afford my treatment and I had to bear the pain. Age International has made me self-sufficient. I buy my own medicines; I visit the doctor at a big hospital. I even pay my own bus fare.'

Hazoor, 56, Pakistan

'I came here to the refugee camp with my three grandchildren and their mother. I feel peace here [The Age Friendly Space] is like heaven for me. I am getting support here so I come here every day'

#### Romida, 80, Bangladesh - Rohingya Refugee



'I like to join others in dancing to help relieve my stress. I enjoy it so much it makes me not worry about my disability. It's great coming together as a community. We exchange ideas.'

Augustin, 66, Tanzania

'The food and cash I was given has helped me and my family to survive. Without this support, my grandchildren and I would have barely eaten.'

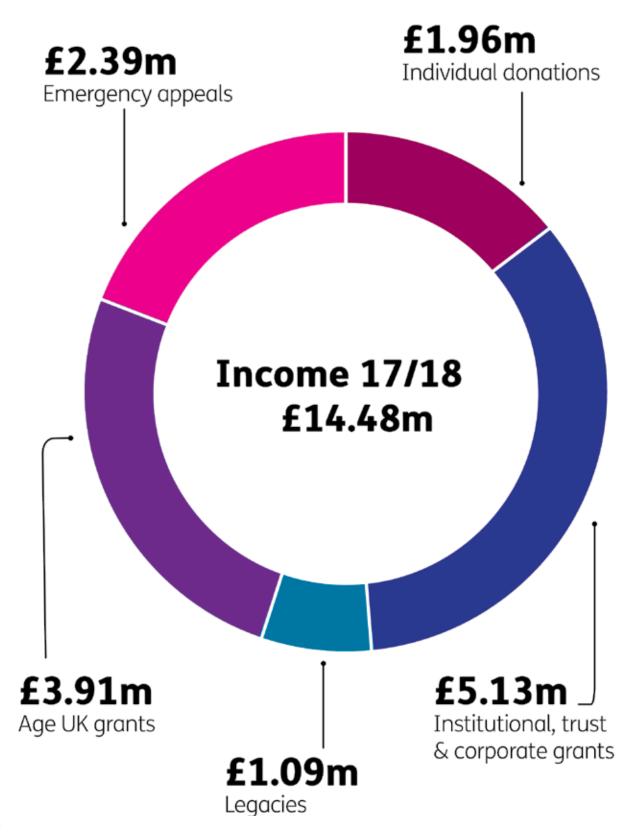
#### Dima, 73, Ethiopia

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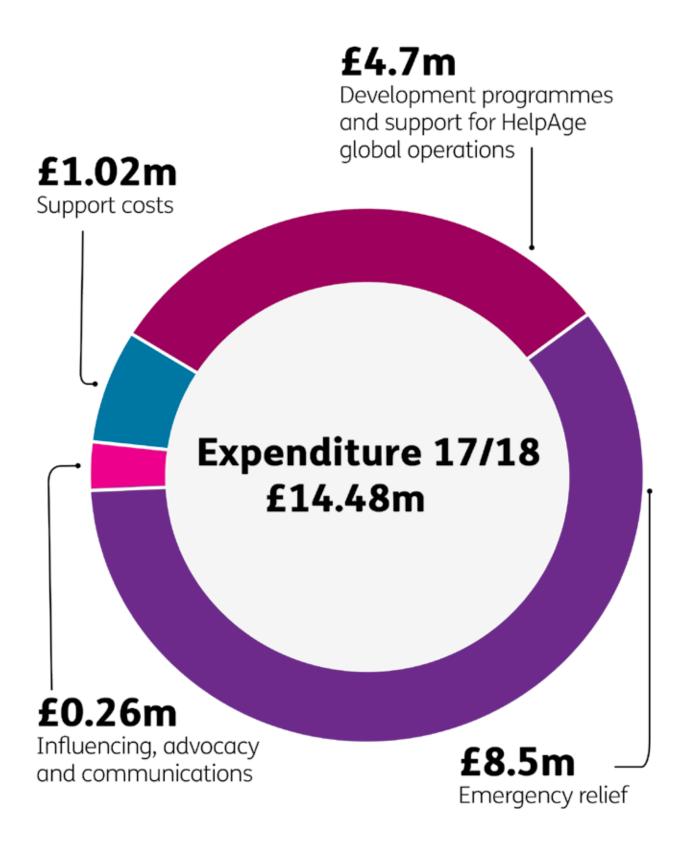
## How we raised our money

Age International receives grants and donations from UK individuals, Age UK, and institutional, trust and corporate donors.



### How we spent our money

The majority of our income is spent on long-term development projects and emergency relief and rehabilitation.



## **Trustees' report**

The Trustees submit their report and the financial statements of HelpAge International UK. HelpAge International UK is the registered name of the charity but it is known as Age International. All references to the organisation in this report and the financial statements will be in the name of Age International.

#### Structure and governance

Age International is an independent charitable company limited by guarantee. It is a subsidiary of Age UK (registered charity 1128267) and forms part of the Age UK Group. Age International is the UK member of the HelpAge International global network of organisations focused on ageing. The network has 139 members in 80 countries.

Age International is governed by a Board of Trustees. The Board meets quarterly and Trustees have responsibility for the overall strategy and direction of Age International, and for financial and risk management.

The Chairman of Age International to April 2018 was Dianne Jeffrey CBE DL,\ at which point Ann Keeling joined the Board as Chair. The Managing Director is Chris Roles. The Managing Director is appointed by the Board and has day-to-day responsibility for the running of the Charity.

#### **Objects of Age International**

The objects of the Charity are the promotion of the welfare of older people in any part of the world and in any manner deemed to be charitable according to the law of England and Wales, including but not limited to:

- Preventing or relieving the poverty of older people
- Advancing education
- Preventing or relieving sickness, disease or suffering in older people
- Promoting equality and diversity
- Promoting the human rights of older people in accordance with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- Assisting older people in need by reason of ill-health, disability, financial hardship, social exclusion or other disadvantage, and
- Such other charitable purposes for the benefit of older people as the Trustees from time to time decide.

Mr Van and his wife used a loan to start their own business
Simon Rawles, Age International





Ernestina used her pension to start a business in Zanzibar
© Kate Holt, Age International

#### **Objectives and activities for 2017/18**

The following objectives were set for Age International in 2017/18:

- **1.** Responding to humanitarian emergencies to ensure that older people's needs are addressed, through our own direct response, and by influencing other actors to systematically take account of the specific needs of older people in their emergency response systems and programmes.
- **2.** Supporting community-based action that enables older people to work together to improve their income and health, to support each other and to have their voice heard; ensuring that this action improves the income and health of older women and men equally.
- **3.** Supporting work that influences governments in low and middle-income countries to develop policies and programmes in ways that meet the needs of the most vulnerable older people, in particular in relation to pensions, noncommunicable diseases, care and dementia.
- **4.** Influencing opinion-formers and decisionmakers to increase awareness of, and respond

to, global ageing. Working to ensure that the UK Government's international development objectives, including the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, reflect the impact of global ageing. Contributing to a renewed global movement working towards a UN Convention on the Rights of Older People.

- **5.** Building evidence, leveraging Age UK expertise, and demonstrating what works: ensuring that a strong body of evidence of impact and effectiveness is developed and underpins our programme and advocacy work.
- **6.** Actively contributing to networks that increase our influence; working with HelpAge to change its global network's structure, governance and distribution of roles and responsibilities; and building on Age UK's reputation and influence to take a visible lead in networks on ageing.

## 1. Responding to humanitarian emergencies

### 'I am given the help and information I want in emergencies'

Age International responds to humanitarian emergencies with practical support and influences other actors to systematically take account of the specific needs of older people in their emergency response systems and programmes.

#### 1.1 Yemen Crisis

Following years of conflict, the humanitarian situation in Yemen continued to deteriorate. The health needs of older people became ever more pressing as the public health system came near to collapse in many areas of the country. Lack of medicines, equipment, fuel for generators, and trained medical staff were key drivers in this deterioration of public healthcare. With food and medicines running out, older people urgently needed help.

Age International funded an integrated health programme in Yemen using Mobile Medical Units. The programme reached over 70,000 people with primary healthcare, and a further 13,000 at-risk individuals were screened for malnutrition.

Three hospitals were provided with medication and equipment to treat older people with noncommunicable diseases such as hypertension, diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

#### 1.2 East Africa

Age International supported programmes in South Sudan, Ethiopia and Kenya, providing care and support to older people from the effects of many years of drought in the region.

Age International supported older people with cash transfers so they could buy essential goods and food. We also provided food aid such as vegetable oil and beans. Age International distributed emergency assistance through food, cash and seed distributions to more than 22,000 people in Ethiopia.

South Sudan continued to face a protracted humanitarian crisis underscored by long-term violent conflict. In 2017 a famine was declared in parts of the country. Age International made sure that around 2000 households with older people received cash to help them meet their immediate needs and provided food aid to almost 1500 older people households.

In Ethiopia, our intervention shifted to the provision of supplementary and therapeutic food for older people due to increased incidence of malnutrition. In Kenya, extra funds were used to support 900 households with older people through the provision of cash.

#### 1.3 Rohingya Crisis

In August 2017, when violence broke out in Rakhine state in Myanmar, hundreds of thousands of Rohingya people fled across the border Bangladesh.

Age International worked with partners to develop a response plan, which included the provision of Age Friendly Spaces in the camps. Mobile teams conducted surveys throughout refugee camps to reach isolated older people and to make sure that as many as possible were aware of the available services.

Age International and partners worked to develop a response, based on a needs assessment of older refugees, which found that 39% of older people reported missing out on receiving aid because there were unable to reach distribution sites and 97% were ill or requiring medical assistance. We established Age Friendly Spaces, which are safe and dignified spaces to receive information, aid and services, and to take part in social and recreational activities for older people. They are also a base for mobile outreach teams to provide homecare services to older people, who cannot leave their shelters.

Since the Age Friendly Spaces were opened, thousands of older people have visited them, receiving medical services, including eyesight checks and treatment, psychosocial support, and using their more accessible toilets and washing facilities.

In January 2018, a review commissioned by the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) recognised the social and physical benefits of providing Age-Friendly Spaces and mobile outreach teams and recommended they be widely replicated.



Abu Alom received support from Age-Friendly spaces in the Rohingya refugee camps
Barney Guiton, DEC

#### Abu Alom

Abu Alom arrived in Bangladesh in September 2017, with his wife and children. He explains why the Age Friendly Space means so much to him:

'Here I forget some of my sadness about what happened in Myanmar but I feel sad when I remember. I received eye treatment and also an umbrella and a walking stick.

I got more than I expected from Bangladesh as it is not my country - but I want to go home.'

## 420k

420,000 older people were helped through emergency response work in 13 countries, including Yemen, Bangladesh, Kenya, Ethiopia and South Sudan

## 427k

426,567 older people received better health and care services in 11 low and middle income countries through our implementing partner HelpAge International

## 2. Supporting community-based action and influencing governments in low and middle-income countries

### 'I have the income I need, and enjoy the best possible health and care'

Age International supports community-based action that enables older people to work together to improve their income and health. It also works to support governments in low and middle-income countries to develop policies and programmes that meet the needs of the most vulnerable older people.

#### 2.1 Social Pensions in Myanmar

Three out of four people in the world live without any form of social pension. Social pensions, or non-contributory pensions, are regular stateprovided and tax-financed cash transfers to older people, provided on a universal basis, regardless of past contributions or earnings. They provide a predictable income that provides some stability for older people and enhances their dignity and independence.

The Myanmar Ministry of Social Welfare is committed to implementing a nation-wide social pension with technical support from Age International's partners. By June 2017, the Myanmar Government's publicly funded social pension was available to every woman and man aged 90 and older and had reached more than 40,000 older people.

In the Dry Zone of Myanmar, a Social Protection Project piloted a cash transfer to older people between the ages of 85 and 90. All older men and women in target villages received a social pension of 10,000 Myanmar kyat (just over £5) every month. Over 800 older people (two thirds of whom were women) in 180 villages have now received this social pension. This project helps to build momentum toward a gradual lowering of the age of eligibility for pensions nationally from 90 to 85. Over 2000 people with disabilities received a disability allowance. Older People's Associations that act as self-help groups distribute the community loans.

## 800k

800,000 older people in 18 countries received a social pension for the first time

## 3.4m

3.4 million older people were eligible to benefit from advoacy and influencing work we support that acheived policy change in 11 countries

## 1.1m

We supported and protected the rights of 1.1 million older people and their families in our community-based programmes and humanitarian responses

#### 2.2 Burundi Refugees in Tanzania

Political turmoil and violence in Burundi in recent years has driven hundreds of thousands of people to flee the country. More than 200,000 of these refugees live in overcrowded camps in north-west Tanzania.

Older refugees often encounter barriers to getting the support they need so our work in Tanzania began at the reception for new arrivals at the refugee camps. The UN High Commission for Refugees directed older women and men to us, when they register, so we could understand their physical and mental well-being, the medication they needed and their specific nutritional requirements. We made sure older women and men received the support they needed, that their independence was upheld and their voices heard.

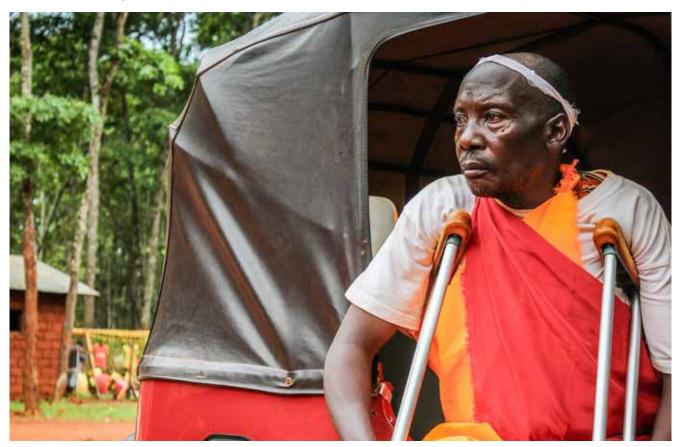
Our operation is based out of safe and inclusive centres within the camp where people of all ages are welcome. However, we also reach out directly into communities to find those who cannot get to our centres to make sure no one is left behind. The project provides a range of support services, from assistive devices like crutches, to the provision of cash based assistance directly to older people.

#### Augustin

The trauma of fleeing Burundi took its toll but Augustin is now getting the support he needs and since receiving new crutches and medical help at our clinic, his condition has improved a lot.

'We exchange ideas. I am the leader of our dancing group - we had an election and I was picked. They see me as a wise man who can present the ideas and concerns of the community well.'

Augustin uses the crutches he received from the Age International Mobile Medical Clinic
© Ben Small, HelpAge International





Shurkurbekova and her husband in their house © Malik Alymkulov, Age International

#### 2.3 Krgyzstan

In rural Kyrgyzstan, people rely on their own crops to feed themselves but with temperatures reaching as low as -15°C in winter, growing enough nutritious food is a constant struggle. Older people are left behind in remote rural areas with little support, an unhealthy diet and not enough money for medicines.

With the support of the Big Lottery Fund, Age International supported older people to establish Self Help Groups in three rural communities in Kyrgyzstan. Through these groups, older people were able to discuss and identify the key activities that would help improve their well-being.

Poly-tunnels were set up to grow fruit and vegetables and chickens, hen houses and chicken feed were provided. Training was provided so older people could grow food in the poly-tunnels, and look after the chickens properly.

Local men and women were trained to provide basic legal to help people access services and settle disputes in the remote villages. For more complicated cases, lawyers working with the project provided free support to help people deal with a range of legal issues, from securing land deeds to accessing child support.

#### Shukurbekova

Shukurbekova lives in a small village on the outskirts of Bishkek. She grows and sells vegetables in a poly-tunnel and can earn a living to support herself and her family. She works together with friends and a better diet to keep her diabetes under control.

'Many people have to choose between buying food, having gas or electricity at home, or buying medicine.'

# 3. Influencing opinion-formers and decision-makers to increase awareness of, and respond to, global ageing

#### 'My voice is heard by decision-makers' and 'I am safe and secure, free from discrimination, violence and abuse'

Age International works to ensure that the UK Government's international development objectives, targets, measures and monitoring reflect and report the impact of global ageing. We aim to mobilise UK public support and influence opinion formers and decision makers to increase awareness of, and responses to, global ageing.

We work for a transformation in attitudes towards ageing and older people, and contribute to a renewed global movement working towards a UN Convention on the Rights of Older Persons, prompting member states to review how they protect and promote the rights of their older people.

#### Making the case for older people

The UK is a global leader in international development and all the major political party manifestos during the 2017 General Election supported the commitment to spend 0.7% of GDP for tackling poverty in developing countries.

Age International continued to make the case that the UK Government's commitment to development cooperation must include older people. Through our collaborative work with Bond (the UK network for organisations working in international development), our engagement with Parliamentarians, and by sharing the real stories of the lives of the older people with whom we work, we helped build a stronger understanding that development cooperation makes a meaningful and sustained difference in the lives of people of all ages.

### Miriam Margolyes visits Older Peoples' Associations in Vietnam Simon Rawles, Age International



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#### 3.1 The Sustainable Development Goals

Our collaboration with the UK Government on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) continued and we maintained regular contact with the Department for International Development (DFID) teams responsible for embedding the SDGs within the work of the Department.

For Age International, a key commitment in the SDGs is to Leave No-One Behind, as so often the needs and rights of older people are not taken properly into account in development programmes. As Co-Chair of the Bond Leave No-One Behind group, Age International was in regular dialogue with members of DFID's Inclusive Societies Department to strengthen both the Government's and NGOs' implementation of this commitment. We led the production of a new Bond paper, which took stock of how different governments, multilateral organisations and NGOs are approaching the commitment to 'Leave No-One Behind' in their work.

The UK Government led the creation of a new UN Statistical Agency City Group to achieve better disaggregation of data by age. The "Titchfield City Group" was created in March 2018. This initiative arose in part out of Age International and HelpAge International's strategic engagement with DFID and HelpAge International has been leading on this with DFID, the UK Office of National Statistics (ONS) and statistical agencies from around the globe. We expect the Titchfield Group will provide much needed tools and guidance on how to gather and analyse data on older people globally.

The UK Government took two useful actions on the SDGs during this period: it confirmed that it would submit its first Voluntary National Report on its implementation of the SDGs to the High-Level Political Forum in 2019; and the Cabinet Office released public versions of the Single Department Plans with an overview of how these contribute to achieving the SDGs.

#### 3.2 UN Convention

We continue to campaign for a UN Convention on the Rights of Older Persons. Our engagement with the UK Government included meeting with Lord Ahmad, Minister of State for the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and organising a second cross-government meeting with civil society stakeholders to contribute to the Government's thinking in this area.

As Co-Chair of the Global Alliance for the Rights of Older People (GAROP), we have been working to strengthen the voice of civil society with the UN Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) on Ageing.

GAROP has provided:

- regular updates to its 226 members;
- a website providing information and resources;

• meetings and webinars to help civil society participants at the OEWG prepare for engaging more effectively with the process and with member states at national level; and,

• a suite of tools and resource materials.



 Older Peoples' Associations offer the chance to check health indicators
Simon Rawles Age International

#### 3.3 UK Parliamentary Engagement

After the 2017 General Election and the appointment of a new Secretary of State, Age International worked to ensure that older people and ageing issues in developing countries remained visible in parliamentary discussions. There were specific mentions of older people in developing countries in parliamentary debates on the impact of the United Kingdom's development budget, the Disability Summit, on DFID's priorities concerning women and girls, and on The Commonwealth Summit.

Age International also built greater awareness of our agenda across political parties. We arranged for members of Conservative Friends for International Development (CFID) to visit our work in Sierra Leone. We were also invited to speak at the Labour Party National Policy Forum.

The All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Ageing held an inquiry into the human rights of older people, which Age International helped them to develop and to which we gave evidence. The Inquiry took place over the course of the year and looked at the human rights of older people in the UK and internationally. The need for a UN convention was a dominant theme.

#### 3.4 Engagement on Gender

Age International commissioned the Overseas Development Institute (ODI) to carry out a significant research report on the role of older women in unpaid care. The research demonstrates a strengthening relationship between ODI and Age International and will provide the basis for an influencing programme that will push for older women to be recognised in global discussions regarding women's economic empowerment.

Age International was active within the Gender and Development Network (GADN), leading the development of a new paper on economic justice throughout the lifecourse to stimulate greater engagement within the network on the rights of older women and men.

Age International co-organised a seminar in November 2017 on violence against older women with HelpAge International as part of our contribution to the '16 Days of Activism' campaign. Speakers at the event included Eudochia from Moldova who wanted to speak out so others can learn from her experience of domestic abuse.

Asefelech cares for her disabled son and grandchildren and spins cotton
Kate Horstead, Age International





Mama Brigita cares for her children and her grandchildren
Frederic Courbet, HelpAge International

#### 3.5 Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting 2018

Age International worked with CommonAge, a Commonwealth Accredited Association, to encourage Commonwealth Member States, institutions and civil society stakeholders to recognise the need to include older people within the work of The Commonwealth.

We carried out a range of activities to boost the visibility of older people and ageing, including:

• commissioning a research paper from the Oxford Institute for Population Ageing which was disseminated to all Commonwealth Senior Government Officials taking part in the preparation of the summit;

• engaging with UK Government officials organising the Summit, the Commonwealth Secretariat, Commonwealth Foundation and the Royal Commonwealth Society;

• organising a meeting on the human rights of older people with the support of the Commonwealth Secretariat; and helping to organise an "Elders Forum" which took place alongside the official activities of the Summit.

#### Mama Brigita

Mama Brigita sells charcoal at the local market with the help of her older grandchildren – but the money she makes is not enough to properly feed the whole family.

Because Mama Brigita is a farmer, she receives no pension or financial support from the government.

'When I feel discouraged, it is the children who keep me alive. But I am the only person who is totally in charge of them. If they are sick, I have to borrow money.'

## 4. Building evidence, leveraging Age UK expertise and demonstrating what works

#### 4.1 Ugandan Parliamentary Delegation

In November, Age International helped to facilitate a visit of Ugandan Parliamentarians to the UK to build understanding, amongst UK decision-makers, of the need for inclusive old age social protection in Uganda.

The Uganda delegation included the Speaker of the Parliament of Uganda, two serving MPs and a former MP who has championed social protection for older people. The visit was organised with the help of Development Pathways, who have been providing technical support to the Uganda Government on the Senior Citizens Grant programme.

#### 4.2 Safeguarding

Age International responded to the Department for International Development's (DFID) request to report on all current and historic cases of safeguarding abuses. We stated that we had no cases to report.

We also took part in the Safeguarding Summit called by DFID and the Charity Commission in March 2018. Age International signed the joint statement that came out of the Summit. With other organisations, we committed to improving the standards and delivery of safeguards, including a culture of zero tolerance to sexual exploitation and abuse in all we do.

#### 4.3 Pakistan Dementia Programme

Age International worked with Age UK to commissio research to investigate the experiences of people living with dementia in Pakistan. The project analysed the experiences of people with mild dementia and their family members, provision of care, and understandings of dementia across the broader population.

The research will be used to raise awareness about the public health challenges of dementia in low and middle-income countries, with specific recommendations made for policies and programmes in Pakistan.

#### 4.3 New Humanitarian Standards for Older People and People with Disabilities

To help organisations improve policies and procedures about including older people and those with disabilities in emergencies, we supported the development of the Humanitarian Standards for Older People and People with Disabilities. We helped to launch them in the UK and the standards have been integrated into the Sphere minimum humanitarian standards and principles.



Snail farming in Vietnam to earn extra income © Simon Rawles, Age International

## 5. Actively contributing to networks that increase our influence

### 5.1 Supporting the HelpAge network secretariat

Age International is the UK member of the global HelpAge network, and provides support to HelpAge International to act as the Secretariat of the network, build the capacity of network members, and act as the delivery platform for programme implementation around the world. Working with the network in this way helped to secure significant policy changes benefitting older people in eleven countries during the year, with 3.4 million older people eligible to benefit.

The network comprises 139 members in 80 countries, and ranges from small service providers to international advocacy organisations. Members are united in a shared vision of a world in which all older people can lead dignified, healthy and secure lives. A new knowledge platform was developed during the year, improving information and expertise sharing between network members.

Network members are supported in their efforts to secure funding for their work. For example, Ethiopian network member TESFA was helped to develop and submit a funding proposal that secured \$1 million for a programme over five years.

#### 5.2 Supporting the global netwrok

During the year global network members in thirty five countries, with financial support from Age International, worked together on a global Age Demands Action campaign calling for a UN Convention on the Rights of Older Persons. Network members consulted with 250 women from 19 countries on topics that were then discussed at the United Nations Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing.

During the year we supported a refreshing of the global network's strategy, and plans were put in place for delivering specific improvements in the support given to network members in the period 2018-20, from a network database and knowledge platform, capacity building support through a new technical toolkit, training events and conferences, and publicity materials.



© Eye care plays a vital role in helping older people stay healthy and active © Anteneh Tsehome, Age International

## Legal and administrative details

Company registration number:	7897113
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## Looking ahead

After setting the organisation's 2016-21 strategic objectives, the Age International Board approved an annual plan of work for the period to March 2019. The proposed activities include those set out below.

In order to ensure that older people in developing countries can say 'I am given the help and information I want in emergencies', Age International aims to:

- run emergency appeals and participate in DEC emergency appeals as and when they occur
- manage its responsibilities for the East Africa Crisis and Rohingya refugee programmes
- work with HelpAge's Humanitarian team to finalise strategy for most effective humanitarian role for an age-focued organisation, building network capacity to respond, and developing partnersips
- ensure humanitarian programmes are effectively showcased to the sector
- ensure staff capacity for humanitarian reponse to provide 'surge' support in the design and development of reponses, participation in response to reviews, and engage funders
- increase quiality assurance through the new process of the Core Humanitarian Standards (CHS), achieving improvements that are monitored through an annual review
- review HelpAge reporting on accountability

In order to ensure that people in later life in low and middle-income countries can say 'I have the income I need, and enjoy the best possible health and care', Age International will:

- continue to manage a core grant to HelpAge to support the implementation of programme and policy work in low and middle-income countries
- support HelpAge's Africa, Asisa and EME regions at all stages of the programme funding cycle. Stengthen engagement with other supporting members (HelpAge Germany, HelpAge US) to maximise funding opportunities

To ensure that older people can say 'My voice is heard by decision makers', Age International aims to:

- collaborate with the Overseas Development Institute (ODI) on the issue of older women's economic empowerment, commissioning research on unpaid care and carrying out launch events and parliamentary engagement work
- use flagship programmes to strengthen UK parliamentary and stakeholder awareness of ageing and older people's issues as being integral to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. This will include engagement with the International Development select committee, relevant APPGs and working with supportive MPs and peers
- ensure that ageing issues and older people are visible within the UK Parliament; and engage with parliamentary business (inquiries, debates, parliamentary questions) to ensure ageing issues are understood and included in international development.
- respond, together with HelpAge, to the Disability Summit to ensure older people living with a disability and ageing issues are taken into account
- disseminate finding of dementia research to professional, rseach, academic and Government stakeholders

So that people in later life around the world can say 'I am safe and secure, free from all forms of discrimination, violence and abuse', Age International aims to:

• continue engagement with the UK Government on the UN OEWG process and achieving a Convention on the rights of older people, and work with HelpAge to strengthen GAROP as a global civil society voice.

## **Public benefit**

In setting plans and priorities of areas of work, the Trustees of Age International have had regard to the guidance from the Charity Commission on the provision of public benefit. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities contribute to meeting the objectives set. How Age International delivers its principal charitable objectives - as set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association, and which may be summarised as promoting the welfare of older people in any part of the world is demonstrated in the statement of Objectives and Activities above.

The public benefit arising from the Charity's work is therefore implicit in the charitable services and assistance given to older people.

#### **Financial review**

Age International is a grant-funded Charity with a total income of £14,481,000 in the year ending 31 March 2018. Of this income, £6,965,000 was received from Age UK which is contracted by Age International to fundraise on its behalf and which allocates funds from its other income-generating activities in order to support the work of Age International.

Age International incurs most of its cost through grant giving. Of the total costs of £14,481,000 incurred in the year, £12,776,000 consisted of grants awarded to charitable organisations.

Age International will continue to receive grant funding from Age UK in the coming year, and the intentions are to continue carrying out charitable activities predominantly through grant giving, the funding of programmes through partner organisations, and the implementation of policy and advocacy work in the UK.

#### **Going concern**

The Trustees have reviewed the financial position of Age International, and in the light of the strategic commitments made by the Age UK Group in the Affiliate and Framework Agreements (2012) and the renewal of the Framework Agreement (May 2017), the Trustees have confidence in the future of the organisation, and conclude that the going concern basis of the accounts' preparation is appropriate.

#### **Trustees**

The membership of the Board is set out below:

Margaret Batty Rob Devey Sir Brendan Gormley KCMG MBE (resigned October 2018) Dianne Jeffrey CBE DL (Chairman to April 2018) Beverley Jones (resigned October 2018) Tom Kirkwood CBE Ann Keeling (Chair, appointed April 2018) Michael Wade

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the Charity has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise, across the entire organisation, to provide reasonable assurance that:

- its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposal.
- proper records are maintained and that the financial information used within the Charity or for publication is reliable.
- The Charity complies with relevant laws and regulations.

As part of the Charity's risk management process the Trustees acknowledged their responsibility for the Charity's system of internal control and reviewing its effectiveness. It was also recognised that such a system was designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve the Charity's objectives and could provide only reasonable, not absolute, reassurance against material misstatement or loss.

During the year, the Trustees reviewed Age International's Risk Register and monitored the current controls and the additional actions being taken to mitigate the risks identified.

The Trustees consider that the principal risks that face Age International are:

• Funds for short-term international humanitarian and long-term development programmes not being used effectively. Risks include the loss of reputation with institutional and other donors and a loss of confidence at the governance level. In order to mitigate this risk, Age International actively participates in the design, monitoring, reporting and evaluation of programmes for which it secures funds and for which it is accountable to donors. HelpAge internal audits and evaluations, and implementation of key policies, are reviewed by Age International.

• Funds for humanitarian programmes not reaching beneficiaries, but being diverted for other use.

Risk assessment and assurance mechanisms for every project are in place and are reviewed at least annually. Age International is working with the other members of the DEC to implement a new Core Humanitarian Standards framework. These demonstrate to stakeholders that control frameworks are in place to ensure the efficient and effective use of funds in humanitarian emergencies. Trustees monitor the review of, and enhancement to, these assurance mechanisms.

 Age International's way of working – both as the UK member of the global HelpAge network and as a subsidiary charity of Age UK – limits organisational effectiveness and the delivery of strategic objectives.
Clear agreements and role descriptions have been developed to define Age International's UK role in programme management; policy, influencing and advocacy; fundraising and funding; communications, media and research.

Trustees are aware that there is a need to ensure that Age International has the structure, staffing and skills to fulfil its growing responsibilities and strategic ambitions. The Board monitors this aspect of the organisation's development. Age International manages a wide range of relationships within the Age UK Group, liaising with Age UK staff whose work contributes to Age International fulfilling its objectives.

- Safeguarding: policies and their implementation to address safeguarding risks meet the changing requirements of external stakeholders. Trustees have approved an action plan to review, revise and strengthen safeguarding policy and practise. This includes the review and adoption of updated Safeguarding and Whistleblowing policies, training for all staff, the development of new or revised Statement of Values and Code of Conduct, and the appointment of a designated Safeguarding Officer at both trustee and staff level. Assurance, accountability and reporting processes are also being reviewed and revised during the course of 2018/19, and the above programme of work will be reviewed by an internal audit in the last guarter of 2018/19.
- Negative public perception of charities in some quarters could have an impact on Age International's ability to raise funds and maintain support for its work. Age International is working to demonstrate that its review and reporting processes ensure that programmes achieve required levels of quality, and is seeking to further improve the quality of its communications and achieve greater transparency to supporters and the wider public through a review of its website and improvements in its digital communications.

#### Reserves

As a member of the Age UK Group, and a charity supported by Age UK, Age International does not currently hold funds independently. As a result, there is no set minimum reserve and Age UK is committed to continue supporting Age International in the coming period and has a dedicated fundraising programme to raise funds for international activities and the operational support costs associated with these.

## Statement of Trustees' responsibilities in respect of the trustees' annual report and the financial statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they are required to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the excess of income over expenditure/ expenditure over income for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- assess the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charitable company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

By order of the board

A. Keeling

Ann Keeling

Chair

Age International Tavis House 1–6 Tavistock Square London W1CH 9NA

11th December 2018

## Independent auditor's report to the members of HelpAge International UK

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of HelpAge International UK for the year ended 31 March 2018 which comprise the statement of financial activities, Balance Sheet, Consolidated Cash flows and related notes, including the accounting policies in note 1

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2018 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK accounting standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) and applicable law. Our responsibilities are described below. We have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities under, and are independent of the charitable company in accordance with, UK ethical requirements including the FRC Ethical Standard. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is a sufficient and appropriate basis for our opinion.

#### **Going concern**

We are required to report to you if we have concluded that the use of the going concern basis of accounting is inappropriate or there is an undisclosed material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt over the use of that basis for a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We have nothing to report in these respects.

#### **Other information**

The Trustees are responsible for the other information, which comprises the Trustees' Annual Report, which constitutes the Strategic report and the Trustees' report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except as explicitly stated below, any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work:

- we have not identified material misstatements in the other information;
- in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report, which constitutes the strategic report and the Trustees' report for the financial year, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- in our opinion those reports have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

We have nothing to report in these respects

#### **Trustees' responsibilities**

As explained more fully in their statement set out on page 22, the trustees (who are also the Trustees of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditors' responsibilities

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue our opinion in an auditor's report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but does not guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on the FRC's website at www.frc.org.uk/ auditorsresponsibilities.

### The purpose of our audit work adn to whome we owe our responsibilities

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Lynton Richmond

Lynton Richmond Senior Statutory Auditor, for and on behalf of KMPG LLP

Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants 15 Canada Square Canary Wharf London E14 5GL

20th December 2018

	Note		2018		2017
Incoming resources		Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Total £'000	Total £'000
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Grants	M	6,911	7,570	14,481	16,660
Total incoming resrouces		6,911	7,570	14,481	16,660
Resources expended					
Expenditure on raising funds - Charitable activities	4				
Regional programmes funded by the annual grant - emergencies		(974)	(812)	(1,786)	(1,675)
Regional programmes funded by the annual grant - long term		(862)	(458)	(1,320)	(1,918)
Programmes funded by institutional grant - emergencies		(412)	(4,277)	(4,689)	(7,048)
Programmes funded by institutional grant - long term		(150)	(819)	(696)	(2,009)
Other emergency programmes		(324)	(2,352)	(2,676)	(1,224)
Other long term programmes		(92)	(54)	(146)	(135)
Influencing, advocacy and communication in the UK		(282)	I	(282)	(343)
General support to HelpAge International		(2,613)	I	(2,613)	(2,309)
Total resources expended	4	(5,710)	(8,771)	(14,481)	(16,660)
Net movement in funds in year		1,201	(1,201)	T	'
Total funds at 31 March 2017 (2016)		1	31	31	31
Total funds at 31 March 2018 (2017)		1,201	(1,171)	31	31
The results above all arose from continuina operations					

The notes on pages 28 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2018

#### Balance sheet as at 31 March 2018

	Notes	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Current assets			
Debtors	7	102	338
Cash at bank and in hand		376	84
		478	422
Creditors: amounts falling due in less than one year	8	(447)	(391)
Net current assets and Net assets		31	31
Funds			
Restricted funds	10	31	31
General reserve		-	-
Total funds		31	31

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on December 11 2018, and signed on its behalf by:

A. Keeling

Ann Keeling

Chair

Registered company number: 7897113 England and Wales The notes on pages 28 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

#### Consolidated cash flow statement for the year ended 31 March 2018

		2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Cash flows from operating activities		292	(138)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period	_	292	(138)
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds			
Increase in cash in the period		292	(138)
Change in cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	_	292	(138)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		84	222
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		376	84
Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities			
Net income for the year		-	-
(Increase)/decrease in debtors		236	(70)
(Decrease) in creditors	_	56	(68)
Net cash provided by operating operating activities	_	292	(138)
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents	At 1 April 2017	Cash flows	At 31 March 2018
Cash at bank and in hand	84	292	376

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018

#### **1. Accounting policies**

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees, who are also ordinary members and named on page 18. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity.

The principal accounting policies are summarised below.

#### **Basis of preparation**

The accounts are prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounting policies set out in note 1 have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018 and the comparative information presented in these financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2017.

In preparing its FRS 102 balance sheet, the Company has adjusted amounts reported previously in financial statements prepared in accordance with its old basis of accounting (UK GAAP).

#### **Income resources**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with probable accuracy. The following specific policies apply to categories of income:

- Donations and all other receipts generated from fundraising are reported gross on a receivable basis.
- Grants receivable income, where related to performance and specific deliverables, is accounted for as the Charity earns the right to consideration by its performance. Where income is received in advance of performance, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

#### **Resources expended**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of resources.

Grants payable are charged in the period when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions are fulfilled. Offers subject to conditions which have not been met at the period-end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

Governance costs are the costs associated with the running of the Charity, as opposed to the direct management functions inherent in generating funds, service delivery and programme or project work. This includes such items as internal and external audit, legal advice for Trustees and costs associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Support costs, which include office functions such as general management, payroll administration, budgeting and accounting, information technology, human resources and financing, are allocated across the categories of charitable expenditure, governance costs and the costs of generating funds.

#### Foreign exchange

Transactions in foreign currencies for projects in Europe are translated into Sterling at the exchange rate achieved on the date of the transaction. For projects outside Europe, the foreign currency is translated into Sterling at the average rate of exchange in the month of the transaction. All exchange rate differences are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### Pensions

The Charity contributes to a group personal pension plan operated by Zurich as well as an occupational money purchase scheme. A pension plan is available to all employees over the age of 18. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Charity. The annual contribution payments are charged to the SOFA.

#### Funds

#### Restricted funds

Restricted funds are funds subjects to special conditions imposed by the donor, or with their authority (e.g. through a public appeal). The funds are not therefore available for work performed by Age International other than that specified by the donor.

#### Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity.

### 2. Key sources of estimation uncertainty and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting practice requires management to make estimates and judgements that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as well as the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

#### Judgements

There are no significant judgements.

#### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

There are no material sources of estimation uncertainty.

#### 3. Analysis of grants receivable

	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	2018 Total £'000	2017 Total £'000
Age UK, for International work	1,675	-	1,675	1,517
Age UK, from Age International supporter legacies	1,094	-	1,094	2,101
Age UK, from other fundraising restricted for Age International's work	1,904	54	1,958	1,615
Age UK, grant generated from unrestricted funds	2,238	-	2,238	1,608
DEC and emergency appeals	-	2,387	2,387	1,368
DFID's UK Aid, for restricted activities	-	2,223	2,223	3,678
UN, for restricted activities	-	2,144	2,144	4,392
Other grant making bodies, for restricted activities		762	762	383
	6,911	7,570	14,481	16,660

Age International runs emergency appeals and participates in Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) appeals and secures grants to support long-term development work. Age UK works to raise funds for Age International from individual supporters and by making grants to Age International from its unrestricted income.

expended	
4. Resources ex	

	Activities undertaken directly	dertaken ly	Grant funding of activities	ding of ies	Support costs allocated	s allocated	Total 2018	Total 2017
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Expended £'000	Expended £'000
Charitable activities								
Regional programmes funded by the annual grant - emergencies	(32)	I	(816)	(812)	(126)	1	(1,786)	(1,675)
Regional programmes funded by the annual grant - long term	(71)	I	(727)	(458)	(63)	I	(1,320)	(1,918)
Programmes funded by the institutional grants - emergencies	(82)	I	I	(4,277)	(330)	I	(4,689)	(2,04.8)
Programmes funded by the institutional grants - long term	(82)	I	I	(819)	(68)	I	(696)	(2,009)
Other emergency programmes	(103)	I	(33)	(2,352)	(188)	I	(2,676)	(1,224)
Other long term programmes	(82)	I	I	(54)	(10)	I	(146)	(135)
Influencing, advocacy and communication in the UK	(262)	I	I	1	(20)	I	(282)	(343)
General support to HelpAge International	1	I	(2,429)	I	(184)	I	(2,613)	(2,309)
	(685)	1	(4,005)	(8,771)	(1,020)	'	(14,481)	(16,660)
Governance costs	1	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Total resources expended	(685)	I	(4,005)	(8,771)	(1,020)	1	(14,481)	(16,660)

Support costs of £1,019,655 were charged to Age International from other members of the Age UK Group in relation to services provided for IT, Finance, HR, Legal and Office Management Services (2017: £881,494).

	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Governance costs: External audit	8	8
The Trustees received no remuneration for their services.		

The aggregated amount of expenses reimbursed to 2 Trustees during the period was  $\pm 389 - (2017; \pm 279)$ . Indemnity insurance is provided for Trustees, premiums are paid centrally for the whole group by Age UK, the parent of Age International. The premiums are not broken down by individuals, so Age International's portion cannot be distinguished. During the period, total indemnity insurance paid by Age UK in relation to Trustees was  $\pm 7,184$ .

#### 6. Employee information

	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Salaries and wages	519	391
Social security costs	54	40
Pension costs	53	31
	625	462

	2018 number	2017 number
The average number of employees, calculated on a full- time basis, was:	13	11

Number of staff receiving remuneration above £60,000	Charitable activities 2018	Commercial activities 2018	Total 2018	Total 2017
£90,001 - £100,000	1	0.0	1	1
Total banded employees	1	0.0	1	1

At 31 March 2018 there are 13 staff members in the defined-contribution pension scheme (2017: 11).

#### 7. Debtors

	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Amounts owed by group undertakings	98	-
Prepayments and accrued income	4	338
	102	338

#### 8. Creditors - amount falling due within one period

	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Accruals and deferred income	447	391
Amounts due to group undertakings	_	-
	447	391

#### 9. Analysis of charity net assets between funds

	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	2018 Total £'000	2017 Total £'000
Current assets				
Debtors	98	4	102	338
Cash at bank in hand	376	-	376	84
Liabilities				
Current liabilities	(172)	(275)	(447)	(391)
	302	(271)	31	31

#### **10. Movement in funds**

	31 March 2017 £'000	Income £'000	Grants £'000	Other spend £'000	31 March 2018 £'000
Long-term regional development programmes					
Africa	-	672	(672)	-	-
Asia Pacific	-	142	(142)	-	-
Latin America	-	15	(15)	-	-
Middle East	-	125	(125)	-	-
South Asia		231	(231)	-	-
Total long-term regional development programmes	-	1,186	(1,186)	-	-

Programmes funded by Institutional grants - long term	31 March 2017 £'000	Income £'000	Grants £'000	Other spend £'000	31 March 2018 £'000
EC - Promoting Age-Friendly Development	2	-	-	-	2
Big Lottery Fund - Pakistan - empowering older people to improve lives	2	69	(69)		2
Big Lottery Fund - Kyrgyzstan - reducing poverty in Central Asia	-	149	(148)	-	1
UK Aid - Ethiopia, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zimbabwe - reducing poverty by improving health for older women and men	-	337	(328)	-	9
International Olympic Committee Sport and Active Society Commission - Tanzania - promoting healthy ageing through active clubs in Tanzania	-	19	(19)	-	-
Anonymous Donor - Bangladesh, Vietnam, Cambodia, Philippines and Indonesia - improving the well-being of older people	-	255	(255)	-	-
Total programmes funded by Institutional grants - long term	3	828	(819)	-	13

Programmes funded by Institutional grants - emergencies	31 March 2017 £'000	Income £'000	Grants £'000	Other spend £'000	31 March 2018 £'000
UK Aid - Kenya - hunger safety net programme	-	328	(328)	-	-
UK Aid - age and disability capacity building programme (ADCAP)	-	233	(233)	-	-
UK Aid - Alert - preparing to respond now	-	1,284	(1,284)	-	-
START	-	17	(17)	-	-
UNOPS/UK Aid-Bangladesh - integrated humanitarian response to the needs of older men and women (People fleeing Myanmar)	-	143	(143)	-	-
UNOPS LIFT-Myanmar - dry zone sustainable nutrition, agriculture and protection project	-	481	(481)	_	-
UNOPS LIFT-Myanmar - strengthening the ministry of social welfare to fulfil its role in expanding social protection	-	700	(700)	-	-
UNOCHA-Ethiopia - addressing the specific protection needs of drought and conflict affected internally displaced persons (IDPs) in four Woredas of Oromia National Regional State	-	185	(185)	_	-
UNOCHA-Ethiopia - access to clean water and improved hygiene and sanitation for drought affected households with older people and people with disabilities	_	189	(189)	_	_
UNHCR-Tanzania - improve the lives and well-being of people with specific needs through the provision of timely, appropriate response in Nduta, Mtendeli Camps in Kibondo	-	259	(259)	-	-
UNHCR-Tanzania - strengthen services for persons with specific needs through an integrated and community based approach	-	188	(188)	-	-
International Rescue Committee/ECHO-Ethiopia - improved access to clean water and hygiene and sanitation practices for most vulnerable households and internally displaced persons in drought-affected areas (Oromia region)	-	176	(176)	-	-
Jersey Overseas Aid -Kenya - enhancing food security in emergency for older persons in Turkana county	-	95	(95)		
Total programmes funded by Institutional grants - emergencies	-	4,277	(4,277)	-	-

Regional programmes funded by the annual grant - emergencies	31 March 2017 £'000	Income £'000	Grants £'000	Other spend £'000	31 March 2018 £'000
Africa	-	969	(969)	-	-
Asia Pacific	-	98	(98)	-	-
Latin America	-	167	(167)	-	-
Middle East	-	251	(251)	-	-
South Asia	-	143	(143)	-	-
Total Regional programmes funded by the annual grant - emergencies	-	1,628	(1,628)	-	-

Other emergency programes	31 March 2017 £'000	Income £'000	Grants £'000	Other spend £'000	31 March 2018 £'000
Yemen Crisis	-	86	(86)	-	0
East Africa Crisis	-	249	(249)	-	0
People fleeing Myanmar	-	156	(156)	-	0
DEC Nepal Earthquake	-	65	(33)	-	32
DEC Yemen Crisis	-	473	(473)	-	-
DEC East Africa Crisis	-	1,133	(1,132)	-	0
DEC People fleeing Myanmar	-	25	(222)	-	3
Total Other emergency programmes	-	2,387	(2,352)	-	35

Other long term programmes	31 March 2017 £'000	Income £'000	Grants £'000	Other spend £'000	31 March 2018 £'000
American Association of Retired Persons - human rights advocacy	27	-	-	-	27
Prudential - chairmans challenge (Thailand)	-	44	(44)	-	-
Prudential - chairmans hallenge (HelpAge Korea)	-	10	(10)	-	-
Total Other long term programmes	27	54	(54)	-	27
Subtotal	31	10,360	(10,315)	-	75
General fund	-	4,121	(4,165)	-	(45)
Total	31	14,481	(14,481)	-	31

#### **11. Pension schemes**

During the period Age International has operated a defined-contribution pension scheme for which the contributions are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as incurred. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company and independently administered. Contributions expensed by Age International in the period amounted to £53,000 (2017: £31,548).

#### 12. Taxation and charitable status

Age International is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK Corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

#### 13. Company limited by guarantee

The liability of 1 member of the Charity is limited by guarantee to £1.

#### 14. Contingent liabilities and Capital Commitments

There were no contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2018. There were no capital commitments at 31 March 2018.

#### 15. Parent charity

The Trustees consider the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling related party of the company to be Age UK, a charitable company limited by guarantee and registered in England: registered office address 1-6 Tavistock Square, London, WC1H 9NA, company number 6825798, and registered charity number 1128267.

#### **16. Related Party Transactions**

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 33 from disclosing transactions with Age UK and other wholly owned companies within the group. During the period, grants with a total value of £12,776k have been awarded to HelpAge International (2017: £14,260k).

The Charity received the following grants during the period:

Organisation	Project	Grant (£)
Age UK	Annual Grant to HelpAge International	5,217,000
Age UK	General support for Age International	1,665,630
Age UK	Thailand, Chairman's Challenge programme	44,027
Age UK	Korea, Chairman's Challenge programme	9,900
Age UK	Yemen Crisis	85,667
Age UK	East Africa Crisis	249,395
Age UK	People Fleeing Myanmar	156,433
Big Lottery Fund	Empowering Older People to Improve Lives (Pakistan)	68,786
Big Lottery Fund	Kyrgyzstan, Reducing Poverty in Central Asia	148,642
Disasters Emergency Committee	Nepal Earthquake	65,456
Disasters Emergency Committee	Yemen Crisis	472,709
Disasters Emergency Committee	East Africa Crisis	1,132,500
Disasters Emergency Committee	People Fleeing Myanmar	225,000
Anonymous donor	Bangladesh, Vietnam, Cambodia, Philippines and Indonesia - improving the well-being of older people, their families and their communities in Asia, through resilient and self-sustaining community based organisations and impoved social protection	255,482
International Olympic Committee Sport and Active Society Commission	Tanzania - promoting healthy ageing through active ageing clubs in Tanzania	18,569
International Rescue Committee/ECHO	Ethiopia - improved access to clean water and hygeine and sanitation practices for most volnerable households and Internally displaced persons in drought - affected areas (Oromia region)	175,780
Jersey Overseas Aid	Kenya - enhancing food security in emergency for older persons in Turkana County	95,000
UK Aid	Kenya, Hunger Safety Net Programme	327,942
UK Aid	Ethiopia, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zimbabwe, Reducing poverty by improving health for older women and men	337,043
UK Aid	Age and Disability Capacity Building programme	232,618
UK Aid	ALERT – Preparing to Respond Now	1,283,987

Organisation	Project	Grant (£)
UNOPS/ UK AID	Bangladesh - integrated humanitarian response to the needs of older men and women (People fleeing Myanmar)	142,776
UNOPS LIFT	Mynamar - Dry Zone Sustainable Nutrition, Agriculture and Protection Project	480,970
UNOPS LIFT	Myanmar - strengthening the ministry of social welfare to fulfill its role in expanding social protection	699,824
UNOCHA	Ethiopia - addressing the specific protection needs of drought and conflict affected internally displaced Persons (IDPs) in four Woredas of Oromia National Regional State	185,177
UNOCHA	Ethiopia - access to clean water and improved hygiene and sanitation for drougth affected households with older people and people with disabilities	188,818
UNHCR	Tanzania - improve the lives and well being of people with specific needs through the provision of timeley, appropriate response in Nduta, Mtendeli Camps in Kibondo	258,718
UNHCR	Tanzania - strengthen services for persons with specific needs through integrated and community based approach	187,649
19 Donations Possivable		

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