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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36. Thank you
Looking back over the last year, we have been sharing memories of older people we have met in the course of visiting our work around the world.

On a visit to Ethiopia, Chris met older people who had received goats to help replenish herds that had perished in the drought. They reflected on momentous changes that had taken place over the course of their lives – how climate change had reduced the water supply, how drought was more frequent, and how family support structures were under strain as young people moved away in search of work.

Visiting Tanzania, Dianne met older people who were struggling to pay for healthcare, whilst living with the anxiety and stress that so often accompanies poverty. In Zanzibar, Dianne saw the transformation that the introduction of the state-funded pension is making to the lives of older people – this is a great step forward, and a policy achievement in which our partners in Zanzibar had played a significant part.

In spite of pressing concerns and extreme hardship in their lives, the older people we had met offered us friendship and hospitality. They spoke about supporting their neighbours and caring for young children around them, and of the importance of influencing policies and attitudes to benefit future generations of older people.

We are thinking of these groups of older people as we present, here, Age International’s annual report. They remind us of the extreme levels of human need among so many of the world’s older people – and of our mission to respond as best we can. They remind us, too, of the experience, insight and wisdom of so many of the older people with whom we work – such an asset, yet not always appreciated. And they 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 is proud to be part of the global HelpAge network. We hope that this report demonstrates how much we have achieved together, and reminds us how much more there is to be done in the years ahead.
Our achievements

‘My homecare volunteer visits four times a month. I’m so glad she comes – I feel stronger when she is here. I rely on her.’

Khin Ohn Cho, 79, Myanmar

‘[The pension] is very important for me because I am sure of getting it no matter what. With fishing, I will sometimes come back empty handed, but with the pension I am sure I will always get it.’

Mambo Huwiss, 75, Zanzibar

‘I enjoy being a volunteer [because] it makes me hopeful about living with HIV. Each time I counsel someone I give myself hope.’

Amielia, 49, Volunteer, Mozambique

‘I feel so blessed to have been helped by such caring people, and to feel love and support from people from faraway lands.’

Kul Bahadur, 80, Nepal

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How we raised our money

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

Income 16/17
£16.6m

£1.6m
Individual donations

£1.4m
Emergency appeals

£3.1m
Age UK grants

£2.1m
Legacies

£8.4m
Institutional, trust & corporate grants
How we spent our money

The majority of our income is spent on long-term development projects and emergency relief and disaster risk reduction work.

Expenditure 16/17
£16.6m

- £13.4m Development programmes
- £2.0m Emergency relief
- £0.3m Influencing, advocacy & communications
- £0.9m Support costs

Support costs for 2016/17 were 5.4% of total expenditure.
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 125 members in 77 countries.

Age International is governed by a Board of Trustees. During 2016/17, the Board increased from 6 members to 8 – one member resigned and three new appointments were made. The Board meets quarterly and Trustees have responsibility for the overall strategy and direction of Age International, and for financial and risk management.

The Chair of Age International is Dianne Jeffrey CBE DL and 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.

© 73-year-old Dima receives cooking oil in Ethiopia
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Objectives and activities for 2016/17
The following objectives were set for Age International in 2016/17:

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, non-communicable diseases, care and dementia.

4. Influencing opinion-formers and decision-makers 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.

7. Supporting all this with ambitious fundraising, media and communications work; building our competence, and setting ambitious targets to grow our income from a wide range of sources; and ensuring that our media and communications work supports the strategic objectives.
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

Following two years of conflict in Yemen, large proportions of the population faced injuries, ill health, poverty and starvation. In December 2016, Age International partnered with Intersos to implement an integrated health and nutrition programme to reach 46,000 people with healthcare, and 2,000 with nutritional aid.

Together, the charities provided health and nutrition services to internally displaced people (IDPs) and conflict-affected communities in three districts in Hardamount. Three mobile medical units (MMUs) transported doctors, nurses and medicine to remote areas every day to treat patients. Ambulances were also funded to transport people suffering from life-threatening conditions to hospital, where they could receive specialist treatment.

Three hospitals were provided with medication and equipment to treat older people with non-communicable diseases, such as hypertension, diabetes and cardiovascular disease. In addition, 18 Community Health Volunteers (6 attached to each MMU) were given first aid training so they could meet the healthcare needs of community members including older people and those with disabilities within their communities.

The programme also advocated among other organisations responding to this crisis for the rights of older people and people with disabilities so that they were included in other emergency agency’s responses.

1.2 East Africa

In March 2017, following widespread drought in East Africa which left 20 million people facing starvation, Age International launched its East Africa Crisis appeal and raised over £276k from supporters. The Charity also participated in the DEC appeal, which raised a total of over £60m.

Age International partnered with HelpAge to conduct a Rapid Needs Assessment in Ethiopia and Kenya. Due to violence in South Sudan, it was not possible to carry out a needs assessment in the country, but by coordinating with other humanitarian agencies and local partners in South Sudan, it was confirmed that no agency was specifically responding to the needs of older people.

During the first six months of the emergency response, the Charity’s aim is to ensure that over 30,000 older people and their families receive assistance in Ethiopia, South Sudan and Kenya.

Age International is ensuring that the staff of humanitarian agencies and governments in all three countries are made aware of the needs of older people, helping to build their capacity to respond appropriately.

In Ethiopia, the Charity is ensuring that monthly cash distributions and food vouchers are distributed to 2,400 households. It is also providing drought-resistant seeds to 2,000 households.

In Kenya, Age International is reaching over 4,500 older people with monthly cash transfers and carrying out a livestock destocking programme, so that 750 households can exchange their sick and weak animals for money.

In South Sudan, cash transfers are being distributed to 900 households; and an Age and Disability Task Force has been formed to advocate for the needs of older people and people living with a disability.
Atatu Ayana Gusuya received food and cash to help her survive the drought in East Africa
© Anteneh Teshome, HelpAge Ethiopia

Atatu

Atatu, 65, is a widow who lives alone. A pastoralist for her entire life, Atatu relied on her sheep and goats to support herself. But the drought killed most of her livestock. She became malnourished and sick.

Atatu received 10 kilos of haricot beans and oil plus a cash transfer so she could pay for medicine to treat her pneumonia. Atatu says, ‘The beans have helped me to be strong; I am certainly stronger now and more hopeful today than before the help came.’

276k
276,000 older people were helped through emergency response work in 13 countries, including Yemen, Ethiopia, Kenya and South Sudan

36k
36,000 older people in 11 countries were engaged in disaster risk reduction projects
1.3 Sierra Leone

Age International worked with Restless Development to help communities in Sierra Leone to recover from the 2014 Ebola crisis by implementing an intergenerational livelihoods recovery programme.

Together, the charities recruited and trained youth Volunteer Peer Educators (VPEs) to deliver small business training to 1,700 older people who are now running small businesses, thanks to the Village Savings Loan Associations (VSLAs) that were set up and run by 85 Older People Associations (OPAs).

Older people took out loans to set up small businesses so they could support themselves and their families. They set up bank accounts so they had somewhere safe to store their savings.

Age International also supported an Inclusion Adviser in Sierra Leone to help advise the Government on its first ever national ageing policy. The Inclusion Adviser supported the establishment of a national platform of local organisations, which will aim to ensure that the policy is finalised and implemented.

Gendenmawa OPA

Rather than taking out individual loans, the Gendenmawa Older People’s Association pooled their funds, bought seeds and set up their own community farm, where they hire labourers to help them work the land. Now the older people earn a sustainable income. The Secretary of the OPA, Albert, stated, ‘We are thankful for the project and for the unity it has brought us.’
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 Microcredit in Pakistan

With a £481k grant from the Big Lottery Fund (BLF), Age International supported its partner, HelpAge Pakistan, to work across 100 communities in Sindh Province, to empower older people to gain access to microcredit and set up their own businesses.

Over 5,000 marginalised older people were helped to access private or government microcredit and welfare grants to improve their livelihoods. In addition, older people were provided with legal support to access microfinance and better understand their rights, and given seed funding to set up businesses.

Older people are being supported to engage in their district’s decision making and planning, as well as receiving livelihoods training such as poultry rearing and gardening to improve their food security. The programme is raising awareness among older people on accessing existing social protection and livelihood support programmes. Through the above initiatives, the programme is benefiting more than 45,000 older people in Sindh Province.

Thanks to lobbying by OPAs, the Senior Citizen’s Welfare Act - to protect the rights of older people in Sindh province - was passed. This was a major achievement in the fight against ageism and financial inclusion. Work is also being done to influence local governments and financial institutions to ensure that older people are not excluded from state microcredit programmes and formal banking services.

909k
909,000 older people received services in 31 low and middle-income countries

1.9m
1.9 million more older people than last year were entitled to receive a pension in 8 countries

5.6m
5.6 million older people benefited from government policies and schemes that help older people to access health and care
2.2 Pensions in Zanzibar

Age International supported HelpAge Tanzania to influence the Zanzibar government to introduce East Africa’s first universal pension scheme. Since April 2016, anyone over the age of 70 is entitled to receive a monthly non-contributory pension of 20,000 Tanzanian shillings (£7.30).

HelpAge Tanzania conducted a feasibility study into the pension scheme in Zanzibar and was instrumental in influencing the government to introduce a social pension; it also provided technical support to the government of Zanzibar in the design and implementation of the pension. Older People’s Associations (OPAs) were set up across Zanzibar in order to help older people learn about their entitlements and how to access them, as well as how to invest money, such as starting a small business.

The Charity is now supporting HelpAge Tanzania to work with the Economic and Social Research Foundation of Tanzania to measure the impact of the pension for older people and their families in Zanzibar. Age International continues to call on other African governments to implement similar social protection schemes.

Ernestina

Ernestina, a widow caring for three grandchildren, barely earnt enough as a cleaner to support herself, let alone her family. When she received her pension, she set up a small juice-making business and is using the profits to pay her grandchildren’s school fees.

She says ‘I never expected this; I am now confident I am not a burden to anyone. I see a bright future for older people.’

Ernestina used her pension to start a juice-making business
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2.3 Better health in Africa

With the support of the UK government’s Department for International Development (DFID), Age International continued to support a health programme, helping over 360,000 older people in Ethiopia, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zimbabwe.

The ‘Better Health’ programme is nearing the end of its third and final year, and is changing older people’s attitudes towards the healthcare system, and the way health workers are treating older people. The programme also improved collaboration with government ministries in the implementing countries, and led to healthcare training curricula being formally adopted by governments.

Before the programme started, older people complained about not getting the healthcare they needed and being excluded from HIV prevention and treatment programmes. They also reported problems with accessibility, affordability, adequacy and availability of healthcare. During the programme, older people monitored local health service delivery, and lobbied for medicines needed to treat common NCDs to be included in rural health clinics.

Across the four countries, the Better Health programme has trained 1,768 health workers on age-appropriate health and HIV services; and 1,425 care workers to run home care visits to vulnerable older people.

In Ethiopia, 3,000 older people are receiving home-based care from community volunteers, who provide psychosocial support and give advice about healthcare. In Mozambique, Better Health volunteers visit older people in their homes, collecting their prescriptions from local clinics, helping them to take medicine and providing them with food and water.

In Tanzania, the Ministry of Health ensured geriatric care was included in their Health and Social Welfare strategy. The running of monthly non-communicable disease (NCD) clinics has also resulted in 9,700 older people being screened for NCDs. In Zimbabwe, health training has focused on treating NCDs and providing geriatric care. It has also helped older people and their families deal with bereavement and the diagnosis of HIV. Over 10,000 older people in the Better Health programme areas in the country reported having improved access to community-based care.
3. Influencing opinion-formers and decision-makers to increase awareness of, and respond to, global ageing

3. ‘My voice is heard by decision-makers’ and ‘I am safe and secure, free from discrimination, violence and abuse’

There is little understanding of ageing among governments and NGOs alike. Age discrimination and ageism are commonplace across the world. Age International works to influence opinion-formers and decision-makers to increase awareness of, and respond to, global ageing, and to challenge negative attitudes and behaviour towards ageing and older people.

The Charity also supports thousands of Older People’s Associations (OPAs) in low and middle-income countries to run programme and advocacy activities, and supports hundreds of Older Citizens’ Monitoring Groups (OCMGs) to help monitor and evaluate policy and programmes at a local and national level.

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2,692

2,692 Older Citizen’s Monitoring Groups in 19 countries monitored the delivery of support and services they need and lobbied for improvements.
3.1 The Sustainable Development Goals
Age International continues to advocate with the UK Government to ensure that older people and ageing issues are embedded in its approach to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

In partnership with HelpAge, Age International has worked alongside the UK Government on developing its Data Disaggregation Action Plan, which sets out an ambitious agenda for improving the way data on people in later life globally is gathered and analysed.

The Charity’s efforts to highlight the need for better data on later life led to the creation of a UN Statistical Agency, the Titchfield City Group on age and ageing data. This group will encourage countries to produce and analyse data disaggregated by age in later life by developing new standards and methodologies.

To ensure that the UK government upholds its commitments to implementing the SDGs, Age International continues to be an active member of the Bond SDG Steering Group and co-chairs the Bond and ‘Leave No One Behind’ group.

These groups provide a strong platform for UK international development NGOs to engage with DFID and other Government departments to improve how the Government takes the SDGs forward.

3.2 UN Convention
Age International continues to take significant steps forward with its partners, Age UK and HelpAge, to broaden support for a UN convention on the rights of older people.

Age International has been working with the UK Government and with parliamentarians to build support for a convention. In 2016, Age International supported Baroness Anelay, the Minister of State for the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO), to organise a cross-government meeting with a diverse group of civil society stakeholders to build awareness and understanding of the need for a convention.

The Charity received promising support from civil society organisations to build greater partnerships to push for a convention.

At the 7th Session of the UN Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing (OEWG), together with civil society organisations from across the globe, Age International pressed for more substantive talks to take place on what the rights of older people mean during the OEWG’s next session in July 2017. The UK Government delegation played an important role in securing this agreement.

In order for a convention to be considered by the UN, support is necessary from at least 130 countries. Together with HelpAge, Age International is at the forefront of building a Global Alliance for the Rights of Older People (GAROP) to get UN member states on-board. During meetings with other civil society organisations alongside the OEWG, Age International and HelpAge were asked to take the lead in re-invigorating the Global Alliance for the Rights of Older People (GAROP) for this purpose.

By being a part of the HelpAge global network, and working with organisations such as the International Federation on Ageing (IFA) and Age Platform Europe, we are able to reach out to older people in all regions of the world to ensure their voices on human rights are heard.

A portrait of a grandmother in Cambodia
© Amy Moran, Age International
3.3 Ageism

Ageism and age discrimination are prevalent around the world. Older people are often denied access to work, loans and healthcare, purely because of their age. As a member of the HelpAge global network, Age International is part of a global movement that supports older people to stand up for their rights and put an end to ageism.

On 1 October, the International Day of Older People, Age International joined the United Nation’s call to ‘take a stand against ageism’ by encouraging people and institutions everywhere to recognise and reject age discrimination.

Age International supports older people by empowering them to stand up for their rights and deliver support for them to be involved in decision-making processes.

The Charity support thousands of Older People’s Associations (OPAs) around the world to demand their rights with local, national and international authorities. We also support Older Citizens’ Monitoring Groups (OCMGs) to help monitor and evaluate policies and services to ensure that they are ‘age-friendly’ and take into account the needs and rights of older people.

Daw Htay

Daw Htay had a stroke. She went to a private health clinic, but was told she was too old for treatment. An Age International-supported pop-up clinic in her village meant that Daw Htay could visit a doctor who had been trained in the healthcare needs of older people; and who understood how to treat her stroke and the hypertension which had contributed to it. She says, ‘It’s very good that this doctor is here for older people like me’.

© Daw Htay is treated by Dr May at the pop-up clinic in Myanmar
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3.4 Women’s economic empowerment

In 2016/17, Age International called for greater recognition that women of all ages have the right to economic empowerment, as well as highlighting the critical role older people women play in their household and in their community.

At the 61st UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), Age International raised awareness of the economic role that older women play in their families and the community.

The Charity worked with the UK CSW Alliance to contribute to the CSW’s Agreed Conclusions; spoke on panels; and delivered a response at an official UN panel on unpaid care. Age International stated that understanding older women’s economic contributions as unpaid carers across the life course is essential for achieving the Sustainable Development Goal 5.4 to ‘Recognise and value unpaid care and domestic work’.

Through the programmes it supports overseas, Age International seeks to empower older women by providing them with income support; improving their rights for social protection; and increasing opportunities to enhance their voice within their communities.

Daw Thain Si

Many older women work as unpaid carers to support their families, acting as the invisible linchpins of the household economy. Like many others in Myanmar, Daw Thain Si cares for her grandchildren to enable her daughter to work.

An older people’s group in Myanmar helped older people like Daw Thain Si to get support. She says, ‘Now our children have these opportunities we want to support them to earn money and have better lives’.
4. Building evidence, leveraging Age UK expertise and demonstrating what works

4.1 Better health policy report

During 2016/17, Age International partnered with HelpAge and Development Action to conduct a multi-country study in Ethiopia, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zimbabwe, reviewing the link between cash transfers and older people’s access to healthcare.

The report benefited from input by stakeholders from national and regional governments, hospital staff and civil society organisations.

The study identified the key barriers older people face in accessing healthcare in all four countries, for example: the cost of transport, discrimination and the availability of medicine. Evidence was found of cash transfers supporting older people’s access to healthcare, particularly by enabling older people to pay for transport to reach health services, and for the treatment itself.

Age International and HelpAge will use the evidence to continue to influence health policies and services delivery to include older people in all four countries, and promote links between cash transfers and other social protection initiatives.

4.2 Sierra Leone intergenerational report

With its partners HelpAge and Restless Development, Age International produced a report titled ‘Breaking the age barrier: Lessons from an intergenerational livelihoods programme in Sierra Leone’.

The study highlights learnings from their joint Ebola recovery and intergenerational programme in Sierra Leone. It focuses on the many ways in which the programme’s aim to rebuild sustainable livelihoods after the Ebola outbreak created unintended impacts: for example, increasing the level of dignity and respect felt by older people, inspiring youth to begin their own saving groups and supporting the inclusion of people with disabilities in community decision making. It concludes with recommendations for future intergenerational livelihoods programmes.

In Sierra Leone, Theresa harvests cassava to feed herself and her orphaned grandchildren
© Simon Rawles, Age International

4.3 Pakistan dementia research

In 2016/17, Age International began a research programme to explore the experiences of older people with dementia in Pakistan, including its impact on their income, material security and support in relation to care costs.

This is being carried out in partnership with the University of Southampton, Brighton and Sussex Medical School, Aga Khan University, Alzheimer’s Pakistan and HANDS International.

The project researches people’s perceptions of dementia, and includes interviews with policy makers about the current state of dementia care in Pakistan. Age International will use the findings to raise awareness of dementia, and influence government policies to provide better support services for people with dementia and their families in Pakistan.
Legal and administrative details

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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 2018. 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
- finalise the Ebola Crisis Response programme and disseminate learning
- manage its responsibilities for the Yemen Crisis and East Africa Crisis programmes

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
- monitor and evaluate programmes, such as the DFID-funded Better Health project; the BLF-funded livelihoods programme in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan; and the BLF-funded microcredit programme in Pakistan.

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
- work with UK international development sector stakeholders to build understanding of the relationship between older people and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- prepare for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in the UK in 2018 and seek opportunities to raise the profile of ageing and older people in the Commonwealth
- 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.

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:

- work to develop a campaign on ageism, in collaboration with HelpAge, the WHO and other partners
- strengthen and participate in global civil society efforts to achieve a UN Convention on the Rights of Older People
- engage with the UK Government on the Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing and older people’s rights.

Saar, 89, receives cash and vouchers in Ethiopia
© Anteneh Teshome, HelpAge Ethiopia
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 £16,660,000 in the year ending 31 March 2017. Of this income, £6,840,000 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 £16,660,000 incurred in the year, £15,006,000 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 (appointed January 2017)
Robert Devey (appointed January 2017)
Sir Brendan Gormley KCMG MBE
Dianne Jeffrey CBE DL (Chairman)
Beverley Jones
Tom Kirkwood (appointed January 2017)
Toby Porter (resigned September 2016)
Michael Wade
Tom Wright CBE (resigned Sept 2017)

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. They 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. A new Framework Agreement has been approved by the Board of Age UK, HelpAge International and Age International for a five-year period from May 2017.

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. A Scheme of Delegation will re-state the allocation of responsibility and authority between Age International and Age UK at governance and Director level.

- **Staff or others who travel on Age International’s behalf, being put in danger by visiting high risk environments.** Travel risk assessments are completed for all international trips, and are signed off by managers once satisfied that the main risks have been identified, understood and mitigating actions identified. Where appropriate, staff are required to undertake a security training course. Briefings and security guidelines are provided by host offices prior to visits.

## 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.
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, the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom 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 company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

• select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
• observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
• 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
• prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company’s transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

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

Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the persons who is a trustee at the date of approval of this report confirms that, so far as each trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Charity’s auditor is unaware, and the Trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as Trustees in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Charity’s auditor is aware of that information.

By order of the board

Dianne Jeffrey CBE DL
Chairman
Age International
Tavis House
1-6 Tavistock Square
London W1CH 9NA

28th September 2017
Independent auditor’s report to the members of HelpAge International UK

We have audited the financial statements of HelpAge International UK for the year ended 31 March 2017 set out on pages 24 to 35. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including FRS102 ‘The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.’

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 the company’s members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor
As explained more fully in the Trustees’ Responsibilities Statement set out on page 22, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Financial Reporting Council’s (FRC’s) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements
A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council’s website at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate

Opinion on financial statements
In our opinion the financial statements:
• give a true and fair view of the state of the company’s affairs as at 31 March 2017 and of its profit for the year then ended;
• have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
• have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006
In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors’ Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception
We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us 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 Charitable company 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.

Lynton Richmond
Senior Statutory Auditor, for and on behalf of KMPG LLP
Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
15 Canada Square
Canary Wharf
London E14 5GL
9th October 2017
### Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2017

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<td><strong>Total income</strong></td>
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<td>Long term regional development programmes</td>
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<td>(3,374)</td>
<td>(3,649)</td>
<td>(268)</td>
<td>(3,516)</td>
<td>(3,784)</td>
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<td>Institutional grants for development programmes</td>
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<td>(8,222)</td>
<td>(420)</td>
<td>(4,553)</td>
<td>(4,973)</td>
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<td>Emergency relief programmes</td>
<td>(300)</td>
<td>(1,827)</td>
<td>(2,127)</td>
<td>(270)</td>
<td>(3,307)</td>
<td>(3,577)</td>
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<td>(205)</td>
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<td>General support to HelpAge International</td>
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<td>(670)</td>
<td>(2,309)</td>
<td>(2,554)</td>
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<td><strong>Net movement in funds in year</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Reconciliation of funds</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total funds at 31 March 2017</strong></td>
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The results above all arose from continuing operations.
### Balance sheet as at 31 March 2017

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<td>Cash at bank and in hand</td>
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<td><strong>Total current assets</strong></td>
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<td>422</td>
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<td><strong>Liabilities</strong></td>
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<td>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</td>
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<td>(391)</td>
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<td><strong>Net current (liabilities)/assets and Net assets</strong></td>
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<td>31</td>
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<td><strong>Funds</strong></td>
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<td>Restricted funds</td>
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<td>General reserve</td>
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<td><strong>Total funds</strong></td>
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The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 28th September 2017 and signed on its behalf by:

*Dianne Jeffrey CBE DL*

Chairman

Registered company number: 7897113 England and Wales
### Consolidated cash flow statement for the year ended 31 March 2017

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<td>Cash flows from operating activities</td>
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<td>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</td>
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<td>(138)</td>
<td>140</td>
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<td>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</td>
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<tr>
<td>Decrease in cash in the period</td>
<td>(138)</td>
<td>140</td>
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<td>Change in cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</td>
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<td>(138)</td>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period</td>
<td>222</td>
<td>82</td>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</td>
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<td>Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities</td>
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<td>Net income for the year</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>(Increase)/decrease in debtors</td>
<td>(70)</td>
<td>461</td>
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<tr>
<td>(Decrease) in creditors</td>
<td>(68)</td>
<td>(321)</td>
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<td>Net cash provided by operating operating activities</td>
<td>(138)</td>
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#### Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

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<tr>
<th>Cash at bank and in hand</th>
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<th>Cash flows</th>
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<td>222</td>
<td>(138)</td>
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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2017

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 1. 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
These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (“FRS 102”) as issued in August 2014.

The accounting policies set out in note 1 have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2017 and the comparative information presented in these financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016.

Income
All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable 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.

Expenditure
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.

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**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. There are no material sources of estimation uncertainty.

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**3. Analysis of grants receivable**

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<th>Unrestricted</th>
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<th>2017 Total</th>
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<td>£’000</td>
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<td>Age UK, for International work</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>1,517</td>
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<td>Age UK, from Age International supporter legacies</td>
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<td>2,101</td>
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<td>Age UK, from other fundraising restricted for Age International’s work</td>
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<td>1,615</td>
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<td>Age UK, grant generated from unrestricted funds</td>
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<td>DEC and emergency appeals</td>
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<td>1,368</td>
<td>1,368</td>
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<td>DFID’s UK Aid, for restricted activities</td>
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<td>3,678</td>
<td>3,678</td>
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<td>UN, for restricted activities</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>4,392</td>
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<td>Big Lottery Fund, for restricted activities</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,125</strong></td>
<td><strong>13,535</strong></td>
<td><strong>16,660</strong></td>
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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.
## 4. Resources expended

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<tr>
<th>Activities undertaken directly</th>
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<td>Influencing, advocacy and communication in the UK</td>
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<td>(1,517)</td>
<td>(670)</td>
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<td><strong>Total resources expended</strong></td>
<td>(650)</td>
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<td>(1,593)</td>
<td>(13,535)</td>
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Support costs of £881,494 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 (2016: £834,586).
5. Support costs

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The Trustees received no remuneration for their services.

The aggregated amount of expenses reimbursed to 1 Trustee during the period was £279 (2016: £215). 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 £6,861.

6. Staff costs and staff numbers

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<td>343</td>
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<td>Social security costs</td>
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<td>Pension costs</td>
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The average number of employees, calculated on a full-time basis, was:

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The key management personnel for Age International have been determined to be the Trustees and Managing Director. Remuneration in respect of the Managing Director, including pension costs was £99,931 (2016: £99,931). Key management personnel remuneration is overseen by the Group Remuneration Committee.

At 31 March 2017 there are 11 staff members in the defined-contribution pension scheme (2016: 11).

7. Debtors

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<td>Amounts due to group undertakings</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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9. Analysis of charity net assets between funds

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10. Movement in funds

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### Institutional grants for development programmes

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**Total institutional grants for development programmes**

| | 31 | 7,664 | (7,632) | (32) | 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 £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 the member of the Charity is limited by guarantee to £1. In May 2016 the members of the Charity decreased from 2 to 1.

14. Contingent liabilities and Capital Commitments
There were no contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2017. There were no capital commitments at 31 March 2017.

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 8 from disclosing transactions with Age UK and other wholly owned companies within the group. During the period, grants with a total value of £14,217k have been awarded to HelpAge International.
The Charity received the following grants during the period:

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<th>Project</th>
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**18. Donations Receivable**

Nil for the financial year 2016/17.
Thank you

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- Allen & Overy
- Beatrice Laing Foundation
- Big Lottery Fund (BLF)
- Common Humanitarian Fund (CHF)
- Darfur Community Peace and Stability Fund
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- D G Charitable Settlement
- Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC)
- European Commission (EC)
- Evan Cornish Foundation
- Kennedys
- Legal & General
- Park House Charitable Trust
- Prudential plc
- The Rhododendron Trust
- Ulverscroft Charitable Trust
- UNHCR
- UNOCHA
- UNOPS - LIFT
- Welland Charitable Trust
- Will Charitable Trust

We would also like to thank many individuals in the UK who supported our emergency appeals and our longer term programmes.

The Khmer word for grandmother is yiei (pronounced ‘yay’)
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We support older people in developing countries by improving livelihoods, health and healthcare; providing age-friendly emergency relief; and by challenging attitudes, influencing decision-makers and changing policies.