

Annual Report

April 2024 - March 2025

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Who we are

One World Centre is a Development Education Centre (DEC) for global and environmental issues. It was established as a charity in 1984 and covers Dundee, Angus, Fife, Perth and Kinross. We are part of a network of DECs across Scotland.

Our values are...

Global Justice

We believe in change towards a more socially just society, where the world's resources, wealth and power are more fairly distributed.

Equality

We work towards a more equal society which values every individual's rights - celebrating diversity, promoting inclusion, and challenging discrimination.

Sustainability

We aim to raise awareness and encourage action towards an environmentally sustainable future.

We believe in Education

We consider Education to be the single most effective agent for long-term sustainable change. Learning is at the heart of everything we do.

We work with teachers

We offer free Career-Long Professional Learning workshops which will:

- help you motivate children and young people in Learning for Sustainability
- bring an exciting global context to literacy, numeracy, primary topics and secondary subjects
- demonstrate the best Global Citizenship resources for integrating the Sustainable Development Goals into your teaching.

We work with young people

Through partnership, we offer the opportunity for young people to explore the rich context of global citizenship through:

 the medium of art and the creation of community exhibitions

We work with the community

We work collaboratively with other professionals and interested members of the community:

- providing workshops and programmes with and for a wide variety of groups
- on subjects of interest to and decided by local people e.g. refugees, health, climate change
- sharing our expertise and participative methods on linking local and global issues



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Acronyms:

DEC Development Education Centre

LfS Learning for Sustainability

OWC One World Centre

SDG Sustainable Development Goals

People and contacts 2024-2025

Management Committee

Carol Divitt
Nick Toner
Marlyn Glen
Mike Whitehead
David Corner
Nikki Doig
Richard McCready

Isla Lumsden

Convener Secretary

Staff

Mike Clark Administrator

This Annual Report contains information pertaining to One World Centre's operations during the financial year running from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025. For current information, please refer to our website at www.oneworldcentre.org.uk, our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/oneworldcentredundee, or our Twitter account at twitter.com/1worldcentre.

We can be reached via email to enquiries@oneworldcentre.org.uk.



A word from the Convener

This has been another year of changes for One World Centre and while this year's report is shorter than usual, it certainly does not reflect a lack of activity or effort over the past 12 months.

But first, I have to tell you of changes to the management team of the OWC. Three of our trustees, Nick Toner, Nikki Doig and Isla Lumsden were obliged to step down from the management committee due to other commitments. We are grateful for the time, and expertise, they brought to the OWC, and we thank them sincerely for their contributions.

And, it is with deep sadness that we share the news of the passing of David Corner, a valued and dependable trustee. His expertise, and steady

guidance will be profoundly missed.

We are also saddened to report the passing of Alan Kinroy, one of our former office volunteers. Although Alan had not been a volunteer for a number of years, he was always a committed supporter of our work.

But the biggest change of all ...in April 2024, we transitioned to becoming a fully voluntary organisation. And, with everyone now working remotely, we no longer required our office space at Signposts and so, with some regret, we moved out. However, we are grateful to Signposts for their generous support in finding a new location for our resources—now housed in a cupboard at the Roundhouse.

Since we no longer have a dedicated office space it was more important than ever to keep our members and partners informed about the work of the OWC and so we launched a monthly newsletter in September.

At the start of the year, we had a number of exciting projects lined up in search of funding. While these were well received by potential funders, unfortunately, the financial backing did not come through.

Undeterred, we set about developing a resource to sit alongside a new Walking Trail around Dundee. The *Breaking the Chains trail*—a map and self-guided walking tour that explores Dundee's historical links to transatlantic slavery - was co-created by the University of Dundee

Museums and Dundee Library. The trail brings to light some difficult but important truths about Dundee's past and, at OWC, we saw an opportunity to build on this powerful project and dive deeper into the complex issues it raises.

As a result we launched Breaking the Chains: Making Connections—an educational resource pack that complements the original trail - in April 2025. This pack uses each stop on the trail as a springboard for broader discussions around antiracism, human rights, fair trade, and global citizenship. By connecting past injustices to the challenges we face today, we hope to encourage critical reflection and raise awareness of contemporary social justice issues—both locally and globally.

Then, in August, working with Dundee University and four Dundee primary schools we initiated a research project entitled "Global Goals and the Local Community." The student-led approach of this project fostered critical thinking and agency and gave the Primary 6 pupils the opportunity to explore issues of racism and antiracism within their local school environments. Using an initial questionnaire as a starting point, pupils were encouraged to take ownership of the inquiry process. They designed and conducted their own research to investigate racism in and around their schools. Each school is set to share its findings in June 2025.

As well as these projects, in October we partnered with Take One Action and led a workshop around the

film Neptune Frost - an Afrofuturist speculative fantasy musical about resistance and community, during which people were encouraged to think about the best ways in which we can take action to bring about positive change.

And, as always, we have been asked to deliver a number of Fairtrade workshops in schools as well as part of the Dundee Food Festival: eat, drink, play, think.

Although the financial year has come to an end I can tell you of an exciting beginning to 2025-6 as we have secured funding to take *Breaking the Chains: Making Connections* into schools. But that is for next year's annual report.

Finally I would like to thank our members and our volunteers whose

support enables the work of the OWC to continue, and especially our Trustees who give so much of their time to the OWC and without whom all of the work we do would be so much more difficult. We are very fortunate too in Mike Clark, our administrator, who works quietly in the background keeping everything on track - the IT works when required and the Annual Report is written and printed on time.

If, upon reading this Annual Report, you feel you would like to help us by donating, volunteering, joining as a member, or perhaps serving on our management committee, please contact us at enquiries@oneworldcentre.org.uk.

Carol Divitt Convener

A tribute to David Corner
David Carper, a valued member of our Management
David Corner, a valued member of our Management Committee for the past 5 years, sadly passed away in March
this year. He will be missed.

Financial Report 2024-2025

SCIO no. SC009618
Receipts and payments account for the period ended 31 March 2025

Receipts	2025 (£)	2024 (£)
Grants	6,909	21,386
Staff services	0	1,200
Membership	80	90
Donations	240	648
Other	(82)	0
Total receipts	7,147	23,324
Payments		
Staff	2,380	75,584
Premises	0	171
Office	1,053	2,819
Outreach activities	3,055	459
Resources	35	35
Computer costs	0	0
Other (HMRC prepay & adj)	0	0
Total payments	6,523	79,068
Surplus (deficit)	624	(55,744)

Statement of balances

Bank & cash in hand Opening balances Surplus/(deficit) for year	2025 (£) 15,888 624	2024 (£) 71,632 (55,744)			
			Closing balances	16,512	15,887

The accounts are independently examined prior to submission to OSCR.



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