**ONE WORLD CENTRE**

**Global Justice and Equality through Education**

**Annual Report**

**April 2025 - March 2026**

**Be the CHANGE you want to see**

## 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

**People and contacts 2025-2026**

**Management Committee**

Carol Divitt Convener

Marlyn Glen

Mike Whitehead

Richard McCready

**Staff**

Mike Clark Administrator

This Annual Report contains information pertaining to One World Centre's operations during the financial year running from 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026. 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 at enquiries@oneworldcentre.org.uk.

**A word from the Convener**

This year, with everyone working from home, we have relied more than ever on IT, with online Microsoft Teams meetings to collaborate and discuss the next steps being important for moving projects forward. To make best use of our present funds we decided to focus specifically on consolidating our work on the *Breaking the Chains* (*BtC*) resource.

We were delighted, therefore, when Gary Jamieson, the Schools Development Officer at V&A Dundee suggested that he further develop the resource which could then be used in high schools across the city. Since the new project would involve a great deal of IT work, he suggested that Josh Brown at Third Works work alongside him to develop the new project which would be entitled, *Breaking the Chains: Voices for Justice*.

Throughout its development, we were fortunate to have a very experienced team of volunteers to help evaluate this new resource, ensuring it meets with OWC ideals and suggesting refinements to ensure that it delivers best value and has a lasting impact.

*Breaking the Chains: Voices for Justice* has now been successfully piloted and is ready to be rolled out in high schools across the city in this new school year.

One World Centre has always worked with community groups as well as with schools to help people better understand global issues and find their voice to challenge the status quo, however, since the pandemic, the community arm of our organisation has been challenged. So, this year, we worked to revitalize this sector by delivering our *Breaking the Chains* resource directly to community educators.

The *Breaking the Chains* resource explores how colonialism continues to shape our thinking, our actions and how we view the world today. It is made up of twenty-eight interconnected yet standalone modules which have been designed to

encourage reflection and provoke meaningful conversation. This makes it highly adaptable for community groups who wish to explore social justice themes without a long-term commitment. Since it is a “pick-up-and-use" resource we hope it will be well used across the city.

Looking forward into the coming year we are working hard to redesign and revitalise *Worldwise*, a very successful accredited project from a number of years ago. Over the last decade, the world has become a very different place. We think nothing of holding online meetings, and we use smart phones and smart watches without giving them a second thought. Our program has to take all of this into account as we look at the challenges facing the world today. At a time when misinformation is everywhere, critical thinking is ever more important. This will be a very interesting and exciting project…if we can secure the necessary funding.

This year, our smaller group of trustees has continued to work to progress the work of One World Centre, giving of their time, their knowledge, and skills. I want to sincerely thank them all for their steady support and commitment throughout the year. Mike Clark our administrator and Sally Romilly, who, though now officially retired, still works as hard as ever to make the world a better place. Thank you both. And thank you also to our members and our volunteers whose support enables the work of One World Centre to continue.

Thank you all for your time and efforts this year. If, upon reading this Annual Report, you feel you would like to help us, then please contact the team at enquries@oneworldcentre.org.uk.

Carol Divitt, Convener

**Financial Report 2025-2026**

SCIO no. SC009618

Receipts & payments account for period ended 31 March 2026

| Receipts | 2025-2026 (£) | 2024-2025 (£) |
|---|---|---|
| Grants | 4,000 | 6,909 |
| Staff services | 0 | 0 |
| Membership | 50 | 80 |
| Donations | 370 | 240 |
| Other | 0 | (82) |
| Total receipts | 4,420 | 7,147 |
| Payments | | |
| Staff | 2,540 | 2,380 |
| Premises | 0 | 0 |
| Office | 593 | 1,053 |
| Outreach activities | 6,770 | 3,055 |
| Resources | 35 | 35 |
| Computer costs | 0 | 0 |
| Other (HMRC | 0 | 0 |
| Total payments | 9,938 | 6,523 |
| Surplus (deficit) | (5,518) | 624 |

**Statement of balances**

| Bank and cash in | 2025-2026 | 2024-2025 |
|---|---|---|
| Opening balances | 16,512 | 15,888 |
| Surplus (deficit) for | (5,518) | 624 |
| Closing balances | 10,994 | 16,512 |

The accounts have been independently examined prior to submission to OSCR.

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