



association of **visitors** to  
immigration detainees

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**2011/2012**



## What is Immigration Detention, and what does AVID do?

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Immigration detention is the practice of holding individuals and families subject to immigration control in custody, either while they await permission to enter, or prior to deportation or removal from, the country. Here in the UK around 30,000 people are detained every year for these administrative purposes. There is no time limit on immigration detention, and decisions to detain are not authorised by a court, but by an immigration officer. Unlike other forms of custody, there is no automatic access to bail hearings.

Immigration detention takes place in one of ten Immigration Removal Centres (IRCs), in short term holding facilities (STHFs), in prisons, in police custody suites and in other holding rooms at ports. Immigration detainees come from a range of backgrounds and experiences; their commonality is being held behind bars for an indeterminate period of time, often with little idea of what will happen to them.

For detainees held in residential detention (IRCs, prisons and STHFs), volunteer visitors provide friendship, emotional and practical support at an extremely vulnerable time in their lives. A visitor may be the only person a detainee sees who is not an official, and as such they can be a lifeline. There are over 400 active volunteer visitors in the UK, each giving up some of their precious free time to support someone locked up on the basis of their immigration status.

The Association of Visitors to Immigration Detainees (AVID) is the national membership network for all of these volunteer visitors. Since 1994 we have sought to ensure detainees' rights are protected and to promote access to volunteer visitors. Working with our 19 member visitors groups across the UK, we promote the welfare and human dignity of all immigration detainees. We provide information, training and support to visitors up and down the country. We also push for positive changes in the detention system by collating evidence on the daily realities of immigration detention and using this to present a collective voice for change based on lived experiences.

### **STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS 2009-2012**

*AVID believes that all those held in administrative detention under immigration acts are entitled to the same basic human rights as everyone else. We aim to achieve this through voicing the concerns of detainees, our member groups and the nationwide network of volunteer visitors.*

To this end, we work to:

- Assist and encourage new and established visitors groups to increase their reach and capacity.
- Promote the voice of visitors and detainees in challenging and publicising the issues of detention.
- Provide an information hub on immigration detention.
- Improve the daily life of those in detention.



**avid**  
member  
groups and  
where they  
visit

**asylum welcome**

campfield house IRC, near oxford

**bristol detainee support**

immigration detention in the bristol area

**detention action**

harmondsworth and colnbrook IRCs (heathrow),

london prisons

**dover detainee visitors group**

dover IRC

**gatwick detainee welfare group**

brook house and tinsley house IRCs (gatwick)

**haslar visitors group**

haslar IRC (near portsmouth)

**hertfordshire and bedfordshire asylum and refugee network**

immigration detention issues in their local community

**jesuit refugee service**

harmondsworth and colnbrook IRCs (heathrow)

**lewes group in support of refugees and asylum seekers**

lewes prison

**liverpool prisons visiting group**

liverpool prisons

**manchester immigration detainee support team**

manchester airport short term holding facility (pennine house)

and manchester prison

**morton hall detainee visitors group**

morton hall IRC in lincolnshire

**northern ireland law centre**

immigration detention in northern ireland

**scottish detainee visitors**

dungavel IRC in lanarkshire, scotland

**SOAS detainee support**

yarl's wood IRC, harmondsworth and colnbrook IRCs

**southampton and winchester visitors group**

community support

**wandsworth refugee network**

wandsworth prison

**yarl's wood befrienders**

yarl's wood IRC, bedfordshire

**zimbabwe association**

supports zimbabweans in the community

and detention

## Chairperson's Report

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My first year as Chair of AVID has been hard work, but encouraging in so many ways. It has been great to work with such a strong Board of Trustees, as well as to hear the many positive comments on the new edition of the Visitors Handbook and on the wide variety of training opportunities AVID has provided this year. The number of people reading our monthly newsletter and following us on Twitter shows that, whatever impression the press may give, there are many people who care about the thousands of people detained indefinitely for no crime other than wanting to live in this country.

I am encouraged too by the small but significant changes that UKBA has made to the way detainees are treated as a result of AVID's representations. It is good to know that such a large new detention centre as Morton Hall now has an active visitors group despite its isolated location, and that we have been able to assist with this. I am pleased that we have been able to begin work on the highly important Mental Health in Detention Project, and I am encouraged by our closer working relationship with Bail for Immigration Detainees (BID).

Recently, we have begun reviewing our Strategic Directions which expire in August 2012 and considering our future direction. How should we utilise our limited resources? How do we make the best use of our unique ability to provide a nationwide picture of life in detention and its consequences? We shall of course be consulting our members on the way forward.

Following the receipt of a grant from Awards for All, we shall also be working on the development of our website with the aim of making it a more accessible, user-friendly resource. We particularly have in mind the needs of the smaller, more isolated visitor groups who find it difficult to access training opportunities.

This last year has seen some changes in our membership, partly in response to changes in the detention estate. We have said good bye to Doncaster AVID who have disbanded following the closure of Lindholme IRC. I would like to thank them for their care for detainees over many years and for donating their remaining funds to one of our new members, Morton Hall Detainee Visitors Group. Recently we have also welcomed Wandsworth Refugee Network who visit immigration detainees in Wandsworth Prison and Bristol Detainee Support who are interested in immigration detainee issues in their area.

AVID would be nothing without the people who work for and support it, particularly our Director Ali McGinley whose reports to the board consistently demonstrate that she is achieving the impossible in the time available. I would also like to thank volunteers Alison Yates and Luke Martin for giving us a day a week of their time in 2011, and Helen Ireland who coordinated the McKenzie Friends training throughout the year.

Thanks are also due to our Trustees, all of whom contribute far more than attending board meetings. I would especially like to mention Catrin Ingham who retires as a trustee at this

AGM after many years of hard work. I am also delighted to announce that we have co-opted as a trustee Jane Ryan, who is a solicitor with a practice that includes immigration detention and prison law.

Finally, a significant proportion of our income this year has come from individuals and I would like to thank those many people who have made donations and given their time to fundraise for us.

**Kathy English, May 2012**



***Colnbrook IRC, near Heathrow. Men held here are supported by our members Detention Action, Jesuit Refugee Service and SOAS Detainee Support<sup>1</sup>***

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<sup>1</sup> Image Copyright Dominic Casciani. With thanks.

## Director's Report

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The last 12 months have been our busiest since I started with AVID, but also amongst the most rewarding. For every new detention facility that opens amidst local outcry and popular resentment (total residential spaces are now 3,397, compared to 250 when AVID started in 1994), there appears a small but committed stalwart of community support, speaking out against popular opinion and making contact with AVID to find out what they can do to help those inside.

While the stories of these ordinary volunteers don't often make the press, they are a welcome antidote to our country's popular hostility towards migrants specifically, and human rights generally. One of the greatest parts of my job is meeting these groups of volunteer visitors: giving a few hours of time to help another human being in distress can overshadow any amount of negativity. Welcoming Morton Hall Detainee Visitors Group and working with them to establish a visitors group, befriending men held in one of the most isolated IRCs in the UK, is just one such example this year. We continue to work with visitors groups in every single IRC in the country as well as those who visit in prisons and short-term holding facilities, helping to ensure that as many detainees as possible have someone to talk to.

Our members continue to contact AVID for reactive advice as well as specific support, testimony to the unique role we have in working with visitors groups large and small. As always, their work takes place against a backdrop of significant challenges. This year, **healthcare provision** has remained a major concern. Three deaths in immigration detention custody in the space of one month in 2011 were the most disturbing examples of the types of issues visitors come across. Other examples included lengthy waiting times to see a nurse or doctor; handcuffing of detainees during medical appointments; inappropriate reliance on the administration of painkillers and use of segregation to 'manage' mental health issues, to name but a few. A 'landmark ruling' in August 2011 - in which the detention of a man with severe mental illness was found to breach Article 3 of the European Convention of Human Rights<sup>2</sup> - unfortunately turned out to be part of a wider pattern. A further two breaches of Article 3 followed in 2012. Despite these legal challenges, little has changed at the policy level to ensure the most vulnerable are not detained. The other major concern reported by our members is the ongoing challenges in accessing independent legal advice and bail, something which looks set to worsen under the new Legal Aid Bill.

Our activities are outlined in full below, but special mention must go to our partnership work. With **Bail for Immigration Detainees** we have continued to challenge UKBA on the lawful and humane treatment of detainees with mental health issues. I continue to sit on the Coordination Group of the **Detention Forum**, a network which lobbies in Parliament on a range of issues we feel require greater scrutiny, such as length of detention, or the

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<sup>2</sup> Subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment.

detention of vulnerable groups. In the current climate our partnership working is ever more important; a collective call for change is essential if our voices are to be heard.

While our limited financial resources have been a constant source of concern in the last 12 months, the amount raised in donations and grants are a welcome reminder that there are many individuals and organisations across the country prepared to support this unpopular cause. Thank you to all of our funders large and small who have made everything we've done this year possible. Thanks also to our membership - the heart of our work - and to all the detainees who have bravely shared their stories and experiences in the hope of bringing about change.

Special thanks go to the office volunteers. Luke and Alison were such a support in this last year, producing work that exceeded expectations but also providing light relief (and much needed mugs of tea) at difficult times. Thanks also to the AVID Board of Trustees who provide advice, support and confidence in equal measure.

**Ali McGinley, May 2012**



*Inside Colnbrook IRC, 2011<sup>3</sup>. Colnbrook's capacity is 388; 308 in the main IRC and another 80 in a short term holding facility. It is one of the UK's most secure detention facilities.*

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# immigration detention in 2011 - facts and figures

a total of 27,072 people entered detention in 2011, including 4,282 women<sup>1</sup>. 45% were asylum detainees<sup>2</sup>

despite a commitment to end the detention of children, 99 children entered detention in 2011<sup>3</sup>, 34% were held in the dedicated 'pre-departure accomodation' at Cedars; 66% were held elsewhere around the detention estate

27,112 people left detention in 2011<sup>4</sup>. 62% were removed from the UK. the remaining 38% were released into the community

harmondsworth IRC expanded to 623 places, making it Europe's largest detention centre

the cost per person per night in detention in 2011 was £102<sup>5</sup>. with 3,397 places this means at full capacity residential detention costs £346,494 a night

lindholme IRC outside Doncaster closed in December 2011. the centre held 124 single men and was visited by doncaster AVID for over 15 years

morton hall IRC opened in May 2011, holding 392 single men. It is one of the most isolated centres, located in rural lincolnshire

<sup>1</sup> Home Office Immigration Statistics October - December 2011, available at: <http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science-research-statistics/research-statistics/immigration-asylum-research/immigration-q4-2011/?view=Standard&pubID=1007858>  
Detention tables accessed 23rd May 2012

<sup>2</sup> Ibid

<sup>3</sup> Ibid

<sup>4</sup> Ibid

<sup>5</sup> Hansard, HC Deb, 10 October 2011, c81W <http://www.theyworkforyou.com/wrans/?id=2011-10-10b.72276.h>



## Activities Report

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Our membership remained consistent throughout most of the last year, with the addition of **Morton Hall Detainee Visitors Group** and the subsequent disbanding of **Doncaster AVID**. In early 2012 we welcomed **Bristol Detainee Support** and **Wandsworth Refugee Network**. Much of AVID's work is reactive, responding to the particular issues our members bring to our attention and intervening on their behalf with the UKBA or other relevant bodies. In addition, key activities between May 2011 and June 2012 in furtherance of our strategic objectives included:

### Objective One: Supporting our membership

- Distribution of over 300 copies of the **AVID Handbook for Visitors**, a comprehensive reference tool on immigration detention. A second print run is planned to ensure we can meet demand.
- Delivery of two **McKenzie Friends training sessions**, providing around 30 volunteers with the skills required to best support immigration detainees through bail hearings.
- Supporting and encouraging the **development of new volunteer visitors groups** in response to the opening of new centres including Morton Hall Detainee Visitors Group in Lincolnshire. We also worked with Refugee Action Group Belfast, interested in visiting Larne STHF in Northern Ireland.
- Welcoming new groups **Wandsworth Refugee Network** and **Bristol Detainee Support** to our network. AVID is working with both groups to facilitate prison visits. This reflects a growing awareness that there are many immigration detainees in prison, facing even greater barriers in access to legal advice or information on their rights.
- Delivery of fully comprehensive volunteer training to new and smaller/developing groups. For example, a full day's training was delivered to 13 new visitors to Morton Hall and included: Introduction to Visiting; Current Issues in Detention and Supporting Yourself as a Visitor.
- Joint working with visitors groups around their concerns about **legal advice provision to detainees** including the facilitation of a training event 'Legal Advice in IRCs and how to Support Detainees in Seeking Redress' in March 2012 with **BID** and the **Dover Detainee Visitors Group**. This event was attended by 22 people from different groups across the country. We continue to act as a hub for information on this issue and to collate evidence from our membership.
- Attending the **ARC Detention Sub Group** which remains a key forum for discussion of operational policy issues and concerns amongst visitors groups and other detention organisations. AVID plays a key role in ensuring the issues raised are taken forward to UKBA. This year we've helped gather evidence on a range of issues such as prolonged use of segregation; detainees' access to internet; inconsistent

information provision to detainees during induction and access to detainee property, amongst others.

- Presenting at **awareness-raising events** and visitors group meetings are a key way for AVID to show support and to encourage volunteer visitors to become involved in local projects that are part of a wider network of support. This year, presentations included: Refugee Action Group's AGM in Belfast, Southampton and Winchester Visitors Group and the Lewes Group in Support of Refugees and Asylum Seekers, amongst others.



## Objective Two: Advocating for change

Alongside our regular **negotiations with the UK Border Agency**, this year we have begun targeting different audiences to ensure pressure is exerted at a range of levels, including UN human rights mechanisms such as the **UN High Commissioner for Human Rights** and the **UN Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants**. Our parliamentary lobbying primarily takes place through the **Detention Forum**. As well as this strategic work, we remain committed to the detailed operational policy work, identifying the gaps between policy and practice so that we can work towards improved conditions and treatment of detainees, a slow process but one which can impact upon every single detainee. Key activities included:

- Representing our membership at the quarterly **UKBA stakeholder meetings** of the **Detention and Escorting Forum**, and **DUG Medical Sub Group**. We negotiate on their behalf on critical areas of concern such as the detention of survivors of torture and the Rule 35 process; detention of people with mental health needs and their treatment in detention; access to communications (mobile telephones and access to the internet) and gender issues in detention, to name but a few of the issues we've raised this year. Operational changes that have resulted from our work include revisions to the policy on access to mobile phones- ensuring detainees maintain a freedom of choice in phone provider and tariff; planned equality impact assessments on all facilities which hold women to ensure equal treatment; and work

towards bringing internet access in all IRCs in-line so that detainees have equal access wherever they are held. These small changes are highly significant and make a difference to each and every detainee.

- Working collaboratively with **Bail for Immigration Detainees** to consolidate our **Mental Health in Immigration Detention project**, a policy initiative which looks at the entire detention process and lobbies for humane and lawful treatment of those with mental health needs: from decisions to detain, conditions and treatment in detention, and barriers to release. This work arose from the concerns put to us by our membership around rising numbers of people whose mental health suffers as a result of detention. Furthering our input into national and international policy consultations including inspection bodies (Independent Chief Inspector of the UKBA and Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Prisons) and the Home Office, as well as international human rights bodies.
- Submitting evidence to the **Equality and Human Rights Commission** on practice around suicide and self harm. Our evidence helped ensure detention was highlighted as one of their ten key human rights concerns in the UK; a first for what has hitherto been a marginalised human rights issue.
- Written submissions to the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights' **Universal Periodic Review of Human Rights in the UK** and the **UN Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants**, both focusing on the detention of people with mental health needs. The report produced by the former includes reference to our report and concerns we raised; we are therefore hopeful that the review, to take place later in 2012, will include a focus on detention.
- As part of the Coordination Group of the **Detention Forum**, our Director has helped facilitate a range of parliamentary events, including a parliamentary meeting in December 2011 at which we jointly presented with Freedom from Torture on the erosion of policy safeguards to protect the vulnerable in detention. Detention Forum activity included joint lobbying work, for example joint letter writing, and collectively requesting that government bodies such as the Joint Commission for Human Rights consider detention.
- Working under the auspices of the **Asylum Aid 'Charter of Rights of Women Seeking Asylum'** we've highlighted the particular vulnerabilities of single women in short term holding facilities, and successfully lobbied UKBA to agree to carry out equality impact assessments of IRCs and STHFs where women are held.
- Continuing our work with Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Prisons (HMIP) to ensure visitors groups had input into the statutory inspection of immigration removal centres over the last 12 months. We've had positive feedback from HMIP who value the input from visitors groups.

### Objective Three: Information sharing and awareness raising

- Expanding the information provision on our website and in our monthly immigration detention digest, the **In Touch newsletter**. This continues to be widely read by over 800 people every month and we produced our 100<sup>th</sup> edition in January 2012. It provides an overview of key developments, news, policy and law relating to immigration detention and we continue to receive requests from around the country to be added to our mailing list.
- Collating and distributing analysis of the UK's use of detention (size, location, management) and ensuring this information is available to all via our website. We are now regularly consulted as a source of accurate data both nationally and internationally.
- Enhancing our social media presence via Twitter, ensuring timely updates on detention news and concerns reach as wide an audience as possible.
- Providing peer support and advice to the **Detention Dialogues** group in the USA, a network of visitors groups looking to establish a similar model to AVID.
- Presentations, talks and training to external organisations, including the **British Red Cross International Tracing and Messaging Service**, ensuring best practice on visiting people in detention is replicated.

### Objective Four: Improving the daily life of immigration detainees

This overarching objective is at the heart of all that AVID does; our work necessarily focuses on the daily life of immigration detainees. In particular, activities included:

- Monitoring conditions in detention over time through our **annual visitors group surveys** which look at provision, conditions and access in each IRC and enable comparisons to be made. This is a key mechanism for groups to relay their concerns to us, and we tailor our advocacy work to meet these priorities.
- Receiving **requests for visitors** from across detention and increasing numbers from those held post sentence in prisons. We are able to refer people quickly to IRC visitors groups, while for those in prison we often end up writing letters ourselves. Our **referral work** also includes helping friends and family members trace detained relatives around the estate, advising families and individuals on visiting, and signposting potential volunteers to the appropriate visitors group.
- Providing advice to detainees over the phone and by email, referring them to visitors groups and signposting them to other services.
- Ensuring information for detainees is highlighted on our website; this year we hope to expand this information to include information on rights in detention as part of our new web project.

## Trustee Impressions

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**A report by Juliette Stevenson - who joined the AVID Board as Honorary Secretary in June 2011 - on her first year with us:**

Looking back on my first year as a trustee of AVID, it has at turns been thought provoking, skill enhancing, at times frustrating, and above all extremely interesting. After previously visiting with three long term detainees for extended periods, I wanted to shift focus to a more strategic level which took in the whole detention estate. AVID has certainly given me this opportunity. It has been fascinating to gain a deeper understanding of the diversity within the detention visitors groups, depending on size, location, resources and structure.

At the same time, it has also been invaluable to see, from a more overarching perspective, the gulf between policy and practice that I previously experienced on an individual level. I think AVID, though small, plays a vital role in taking the concerns and frustrations of the individual visitor through the prism of the different visitor groups, and presenting these concerns directly to decision makers. Work of this kind is often the unsung hero when thinking about how best to support vulnerable people in detention. Without it, there can be no truly coherent response, and the most important voice, that of the detainee, then becomes lost. I think where AVID also really shines is support for new and smaller groups, who can often feel isolated, and this is achieved through training, materials, and just as importantly, a friendly and amenable contact at the end of the telephone. Our Director, Ali, manages to juggle these differing demands with patience and gusto.

A trustee position at AVID is a hands-on role, what I think of as a 'trustee plus,' where we are regularly in contact, and so truly invested in the charity. I am grateful to have had the chance to work with the other Trustees and Ali to move the organisation forward over the last 12 months, and I look forward in particular to expanding and enhancing the communication activities of AVID in the future. Being involved with AVID has confirmed to me that my vision and AVID's are the same – that someone who is detained is fundamentally a person, just like myself, and just because our circumstances are different, it does not make them less deserving of basic rights and treatment than myself.

**Juliette Stevenson, May 2012**

# immigration detention in 2011 - facts and figures

1,004 people were held for over six months in detention in 2011. This included 116 detainees who were held for over two years <sup>6</sup>

of those held for over two years in detention in 2011, only 25% were eventually removed from the UK<sup>7</sup>; 75% were released into the community

over a four-week period in summer 2011, there were three deaths in the care of UK border agency (UKBA) detention services, raising serious questions about the state of healthcare provision for detainees

throughout 2011, an average of 524 detainees per month were held in UK prisons (post-sentence) under immigration act powers. this ranged from a high of 610 in january 2011 to 457 in june 2011 <sup>8</sup>

in a survey of legal advice by bail for immigration detainees (BID) in 2011, 35% of detainees did not have a legal representative, and 57% were not aware of the Detention Duty Advice scheme in their IRC<sup>9</sup>.

<sup>6</sup>Home Office Immigration Statistics October - December 2011, available at:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science-research-statistics/research-statistics/immigration-asylum-research/immigration-q4-2011/?view=Standard&pubID=1007858> Detention tables accessed 23rd May 2012

<sup>7</sup> ibid

<sup>8</sup>Response to a Freedom of Information request by Detention Advice Service, dated 20th March 2012. <http://www.detention-advice.org.uk/>

<sup>9</sup>Bail for Immigration Detainees and Information Centre about Asylum and Refugees (June 2011) 'Provisional results of a survey of levels of legal representation for immigration detainees across the UK detention estate', accessed at <http://www.biduk.org/162/bid-research-reports/bid-research-reports.html>

## Treasurer's Report

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The report covers the financial year 1st January 2011 to 31st December 2011.

The finances of AVID have been stable throughout the year, thanks to continuing grants from the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation and Lankelly Chase Foundation. We are now in the final year of our three-year funding commitment from these funders, and have been working hard to secure additional funding. This year we have placed a particular focus on charitable trusts, and are grateful to have received support from a number of trusts as detailed on p17. We begin 2012 with the good news of grants from Awards for All and the Allen Lane Foundation, a positive start to the year ahead.

We would like to express our particular thanks to Phyllida Lloyd, who gave us a significant one-off donation. We are also always extremely grateful to our loyal supporters, who regularly donate varying amounts. These demonstrate the importance of our work, and the value placed on it by visitors and friends alike.

The fact that 28% of our funds during 2011 came from donations shows that we are able to diversify our income sources. However, the Trustees are acutely aware of the need to secure longer-term funding so that we can fully cover our core staff and office costs and commence new projects, and we are continuing to prioritise the fundraising aspect of our work.

We are very fortunate to have such committed members and supporters in this difficult economic climate. We would like to thank you all for your continued belief in the importance of making sure that all immigration detainees in the UK have a friend to turn to.

**Madeline Church, May 2012**

### Treasurer

*The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' published in 2005, applicable accounting standards, and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities by our accountants MHA MacIntyre Hudson.*

**SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS, YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011**

	Unrestricted Funds 2011 £	Restricted Funds 2011 £	Total Funds 2011 £	Total Funds 2010 £
<b>INCOME</b>				
<b>GRANTS &amp; DONATIONS</b>				
Esmée Fairbairn Foundation	-	23,334	23,334	25,000
Lankelly Chase Foundation	-	10,000	10,000	16,666
AW60 Charitable Trust	800	-	800	750
Helen Tetlow Memorial Fund	-	-	-	2,000
The Souter Trust	2,500	-	2,500	7,000
Thomas Sivewright Catto Charitable Settlement	500	-	500	-
Marsh Christian Trust	300	-	300	-
Parish of Holy Trinity and St Mary's Guildford	500	-	500	500
Margaret Church	-	-	-	1,000
All Saints Church, Milton, Cambridge	300	-	300	-
Phyllida Lloyd	10,000	-	10,000	-
Other donations	2,061	-	2,061	1,853
Gift Aid receivable	2,835	-	2,835	649
Sub total	19,796	33,334	53,130	55,418
Bank interest receivable	32	-	32	64
<b>INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</b>				
Membership income	1,645	-	1,645	1,525
Conference income	-	-	-	608
Sale of handbooks	1,515	-	1,515	-
Provision of training	478	-	478	147
Sub total	3,638	-	3,638	2,280
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>23,466</b>	<b>33,334</b>	<b>56,800</b>	<b>57,762</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
Staff costs	675	39,597	40,272	39,797
Staff training	60	-	60	-
Travel and subsistence	904	-	904	615
Rent	5,657	-	5,657	4,370
Rates	444	-	444	125
Office expenses	1,832	-	1,832	2,453
Memberships	153	-	153	278
Conference	-	-	-	3,389
Trustee and AGM expenses	1,117	-	1,117	1,610
Provision of training	348	-	348	1,000
Publications	1,345	-	1,345	-
Insurance	311	-	311	292
Legal and professional Fees	35	-	35	485
Independent examination	1,440	-	1,440	1,920
Payroll charges	936	-	936	729
Bank charges	-	-	-	12
Sundry expenses	53	-	53	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>15,310</b>	<b>39,597</b>	<b>54,907</b>	<b>57,075</b>
Net incoming/(outgoing) resource before transfer	8,156	(6,263)	1,893	687
Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>	<b>8,156</b>	<b>(6,263)</b>	<b>1,893</b>	<b>687</b>
TOTAL FUNDS 1 <sup>st</sup> JAN 2011	11,234	6,263	17,497	16,810
<b>TOTAL FUNDS 31<sup>st</sup> DEC 2011</b>	<b>19,390</b>	<b>Nil</b>	<b>19,390</b>	<b>17,497</b>

The full set of independently examined accounts for the year can be obtained on request from AVID.



**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2011**

	<b>£</b>	<b>2011 £</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>2010 £</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Debtors	3,395		1,218	
Cash at bank and in hand	39,030		43,020	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	(23,035)		(26,741)	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>19,390</b>		<b>17,497</b>
<b>FUNDS</b>				
Restricted funds				6,263
Unrestricted funds:				
Designated funds			1,547	
General fund	19,390		9,687	
		<b>19,390</b>		<b>17,497</b>

The financial statements have been approved in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008). They were approved, and authorised for issue, by the Trustees on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 and signed on their behalf by:

**KATHLEEN ENGLISH, CHAIR**

The above, and the accompanying Statement of Financial Activities, form an extract from the unaudited accounts submitted to the Charity Commission. **Copies of the full independently examined accounts are available on request from the AVID office.**

## Thank you...

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**AVID wishes to dedicate this report to Gill Butler (Yarl's Wood Befrienders), and Bernard Elliott (Jesuit Refugee Service), both of whom sadly passed away this year. They each gave so much to immigration detainees over several years and are sadly missed.**

### With thanks to our funders and donors (June 2011- May 2012):

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## Structure, Governance and Management

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<b>Governing document</b>	Constitution
<b>Aims of the charity</b>	<i>The charity's objects ('the objects') are exclusively charitable relief of immigrants and refugees who are suffering hardship, distress or are in need, with particular reference, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to those who are imprisoned or detained by the Immigration Service of the Home Office of the United Kingdom whether in detention centres, holding centres, prisons or police stations.</i>
<b>Governance</b>	The Charity is managed by a Board of Trustees, which meets quarterly. Day-to-day management is exercised by a full time Director.
<b>Trustees</b>	Kathleen English (Chairperson) Juliette Stevenson (Honorary Secretary) Madeline Church (Treasurer) Carolina Albuerno Rodriguez Julie Gibbs Catrin Ingham Neil Mulhern Jane Ryan
<b>Staff</b>	Ali McGinley, Director
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