

GrassRoots Rwanda

Charity Number 1086330

Annual Report and Accounts for the Year Ending 31 March 2021

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Annual Report

The trust was set up in the mid 1990's after the genocide, and works within the Diocese of Shyogwe – in Rwanda.

Everything that we receive, including the related Gift Aid, goes to Rwanda as the trustees cover the administrative costs personally; for example, bank transfer costs, monthly fees to use Just Giving, the cost of setting up and maintaining the website among others.

A flavour of the type of work we do is: As Covid19 hit the UK we sent out an appeal and raised almost £20,000 for the Bishop to use at his discretion. He initially bought and distributed food to individuals as food became scarce and

expensive. This has allowed some immediate transitional help to people while they wait for their own fields to crop. To get churches open sooner, the Bishop has also spent money on government hygiene requirements. The impact of getting churches open as soon

as possible will allow spiritual support for congregations to restart and allow pastors to receive some income. (In Rwanda pastors take a percentage of the collection unlike here in the UK).



Another project we have supported has been the work of reconciliation led by Archdeacon Edward in bringing together victims and perpetrators of violence who have recently been released from prison after their 25-year sentences. This is at the opposite end of the scale to the Covid help. A small amount has been sent, just £1,000, but we have already seen the impact of this work. It was wonderful to see these people working and worshipping together, but of course the impact of repaired relationships, reduced tension, co-operation between victim and persecutor will carry on for years; and we pray it will impact on future generations as well. The picture is of victims and persecutors working



together in the fields – which would have been unthinkable before the Archdeacon's intervention. For such a small amount, this targeted project could have the greatest impact of any of the support we provide.



We are funding the building of a new health post at Gasharu. This will be the third health post we have built allowing local people to receive health care close to their homes, avoiding a long walk. The maternity unit we built at Shaki is saving an 8-hour stretcher walk if there are complications at birth. Malaria and diarrhoea are both still big killers in Rwanda and local care is essential to

combat these diseases. We also work with schools, helping with buildings and books; and with churches, upgrading them to government standards to allow them to remain open. Looking forward we are considering a new project around sponsoring children for nursery schools. For a modest sum of £9, children can go to a nursery school for a year, giving them a flying start to their education.

Unfortunately, this is still outside the reach of many parents. We visited this school in 2019.

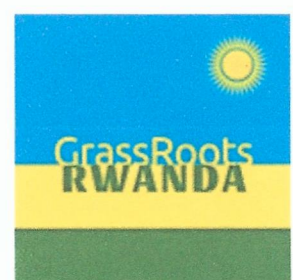


The trust maintains good relations with the Bishop who visited us in 2019. We normally have trustees visit every year, but due to the COVID virus, 2020/21 has been the first year that we have been unable to visit. These visits allow us to really get to know what is happening there and give us a good feel for the projects we should support. We intend to return as soon as possible

As Chairman I thank you again for your interest, as does the whole Trustee Board who continue to meet regularly.

May God bless you and those you love.

Peter Muir
Chairman





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

GrassRoots Rwanda

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1086330

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

1-11-2021

Name:

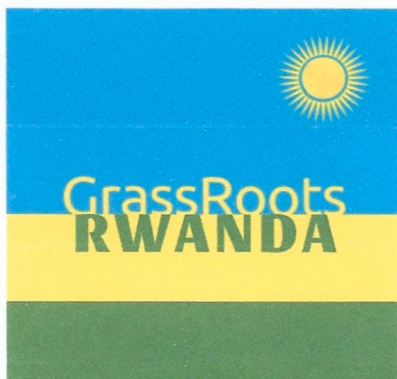
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Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2020	To	Period end date 31/03/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

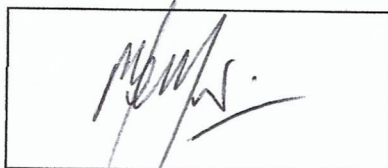
	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Bible School	-	0		0	0
Diocesan support	-	22,121		22,121	8,158
Education support	-	660		660	5,160
General	22,007	-		22,007	24,146
Health Support	-	16,500		16,500	0
Individual Support	-	2,826		2,826	350
Mothers Union	-	2,193		2,193	693
Parish Support	-	842		842	1,793
Vocational Training	-	50		50	0
Dufatanye Project		14,441		14,441	0
Sub total	22,007	59,632	0	81,639	40,299
Total receipts	22,007	59,632	0	81,639	40,299
A3 Payments					
Bible School	0	0		0	4,931
Diocesan support	5,052	20,695		25,747	19,312
Education support	992	2,939		3,931	16,531
General	0	-		0	0
Health Support	0	21,542		21,542	0
Individual Support	6,296	2,214		8,510	3,949
Mothers Union	0	0		0	615
Parish Support	0	867		867	0
Trust Expenses	1,122			1,122	1,777
Vocational Training	0	0		0	2,317
Dufatanye Project	0	13,806		13,806	2,317
Sub total	13,462	62,063	0	75,524	49,433
Total payments	13,462	62,063	0	75,524	49,433
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,545	(2,430)	0	6,114	(9,134)
A5 Transfers between funds	(7,414)	7,414			
A6 Cash funds last year end	47,132	17,043	0	64,175	72,749
Cash funds this year end	48,263	22,027	0	70,289	63,615

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		48,263	22,027	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	48,263	22,027	-

Signed by the Chairman on behalf of
all the trustees

Signature



Print Name

P. J. Muir

Date of
approval

1. November
2021