



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st April 2023 To 31st March 2024

Charity name: GRASS ROOTS RWANDA

Charity registration number: 1086330

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	1) THE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP DUE TO POVERTY, SICKNESS, DISABILITY AND OLD AGE. 2) THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION BY PURCHASE OF BOOKS AND SCHOOL MATERIALS. 3) THE ADVANCEMENT OF RELIGION BY FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR CLERGY AND RETIRED CLERGY, FOR THEOLOGICAL TRAINING AND FOR BUILDING WORKS ALL IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF RWANDA, SHYOGWE DIOCESE RWANDA
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	SEE SECTION 'ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE' BELOW. ALL FUNDS RAISED GO DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TOWARDS THE IMPROVEMENT OF OPPORTUNITY, HEALTH, EDUCATION OR THE SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE WHO BENEFIT FROM THE ACTIVITIES THE TRUST SUPPORTS
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	THE TRUSTEES HAVE HAD REGARD TO THIS GUIDANCE AND REVIEW THE USE OF FUNDS RECEIVED BY SEEKING REPORTS FROM THE DIOCESE SUPPORTED BY PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCEAND VISITING THE DIOCESE REGULARLY

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	THE TRUSTEES PREFER TO USE THE ASSETS OF THE TRUST TO SUPPORT COMMUNITIES AWAY FROM TOWNS WHERE THE NEED IS GREATEST AND TO SUPPORT PROJECTS RATHER THAN INDIVIDUALS

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The charity's activities in the financial year 23/24 have continued much as in previous years and are best illustrated by excerpts from the information we provided to potential donors during the year, which are reproduced below:</p> <p>The Trust continues to support rural communities in trying to improve the quality of life and by supporting local parish churches through which most of the available help in these locations is provided. With the government now providing free education the Trust has given less to primary and secondary educational projects but examples of the sort of things we do now are:</p> <p>Theological Education</p> <p>Five years ago the Government stated that once five years had passed only those with Government approved theological degrees would be permitted to preach. Within Rwanda these degrees are only attainable at Kigali Theological College or Hue University (formerly Butare). At that time very few pastors had such qualifications. The Trust has sent £5,000 each year for the last three years to help able people to gain such degrees. This need has become more urgent in the period following that of this report as the Government of Rwanda has clamped down on enforcing these rules and without officially-recognised training for their pastors churches will be closed.</p>

		<p>Support for individuals</p> <p>GRRs mission is to reach out to the poorest, support spiritual needs through training and building programmes and support medical facilities and education. Special requests from or on behalf of individuals for funding are considered carefully and the following are examples of those that have been agreed:</p> <p>C: has been receiving support for hospital treatment for a serious skin problem. Her treatment stopped during the pandemic but we pray that it will continue again soon.</p> <p>Y: is a young recently married man with a baby who is a devout Christian and keeps in regular contact with us. He has been unable to find employment and wants to train as teacher but will need the finance to pay for this. Generous donors will be funding part of this alongside GRR and payments will be made in instalments over the 2 year course.</p> <p>Examples of other funding decisions</p> <p>Electricity supply to various parishes. There is always an extra benefit in that once the supply is installed nearby houses are also able to connect at a cost their owners can afford.</p> <p>Hanika Health Centre for new equipment to replace rusty and damaged items.</p> <p>Shyogwe pastor's house which is still being restored.</p> <p>Young single mothers who have been subject to exploitation, rape and abuse (Teen Mothers Association) - vocational training equipment needed for tailoring to provide them with a means of support for themselves and their children in Hanika with the support and co-operation of local government authorities which have guaranteed the funding to enable those who complete the training to go on to recognised vocational training centres to complete formal qualifications.</p> <p>Ongoing support for the provision of water filters for remote villages.</p> <p>Support for the vocational training undertaken at the VTC in Zion Hill.</p> <p>Dufatanye Project</p>
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<p>This project continues to thrive and supports a number of individuals through self-help initiatives including crafts, farming, fishing and provision of housing. They also involve themselves in many initiatives such as mental health awareness, womens' issues and training young people in financial awareness and wisdom as they become able to earn a living for themselves.</p>		
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Giving post-pandemic has continued to decline and reserves are being used to maintain charitable activities as before.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Money is spent as the trustees decide it is most needed and prioritised against specific requests. The trustees are keen to balance income and expenditure each year but levels of income are lower following the pandemic and the impact of inflation on the cost of living in the UK continues to affect donations, so they continue to hold reserves to enable them to give more than the Trust receives, at least for another year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	[Peter]
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None [Peter]

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed dated 19 January 2001, as amended on 14 April 2018
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	By personal introduction and/or personal search as needed

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	GRASS ROOTS RWANDA
Other name the charity uses	NONE
Registered charity number	NONE
Charity's principal address	Barnside Tredington Tewkesbury GL20 7BP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Peter Muir	Chair	N/a	N/a
2	Rev James Stevens	Trustee	N/a	N/a
3	Judy Stevens	Trustee	N/a	N/a
4	Rev Paul Reynolds	Trustee	N/a	N/a
5	Gregor Moss	Trustee	N/a	N/a
6	E. Mary Hughes	Trustee	N/a	N/a
7	Sally Kitchener	Trustee	N/a	N/a
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

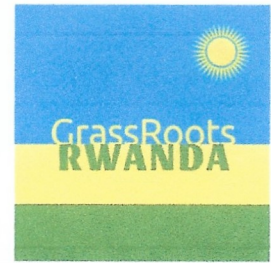
Other optional information

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Gregor Moss</i>	
Full name(s)	GREGOR LESLIE HOLLANDS MOSS	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	<i>27th January 2025</i>	



GrassRoots Rwanda

Accounts for the period ending 31 March 2024.

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Charity Number 1086330

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

GrassRoots Rwanda

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

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 2023.

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:

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Name:

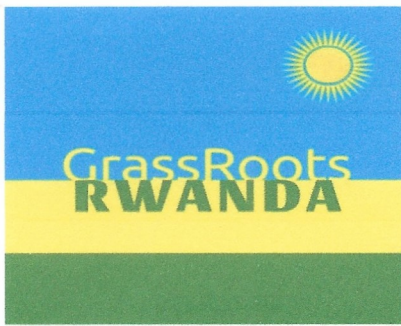
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2023

To

Period end date
31/03/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	2022/2023
to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £

A1 Receipts

Bible School	-	0	0	12
Diocesan support	-	5,885	5,885	407
Education support	-	740	740	420
General	17,166	-	17,166	19,692
Health Support	-	0	0	0
Individual Support	-	620	620	832
Mothers Union	-	0	0	24
Parish Support	-	1,016	1,016	2,948
Vocational Training	-	0	0	68
Dufatanye Project		4,931	4,931	6,741
Sub total	17,166	13,192	0	31,145

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A3 Payments

Bible School	4,246	0	4,246	8,853
Diocesan support	139	3,887	4,026	12,687
Education support	6,759	441	7,201	1,849
General	53	-	53	0
Health Support	10,641	0	10,641	0
Individual Support	4,265	1,052	5,317	6,390
Mothers Union	0	0	0	0
Parish Support	8,017	0	8,017	5,539
Trust Expenses	519		519	819
Vocational Training	406	4,068	4,474	0
Dufatanye Project	0	5,121	5,121	7,150
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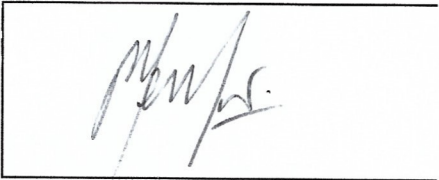
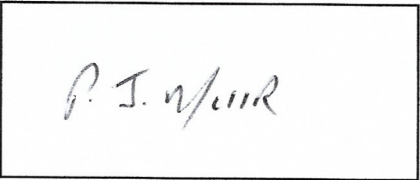
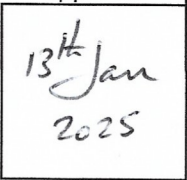
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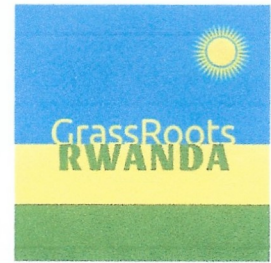
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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		18,759	24,328	25,286
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Signed by the Chairman on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
				



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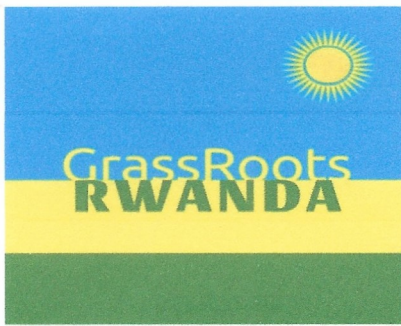
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