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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the period 01/ 2022 to 12/2022

Reference and Administration details

EducAid Africa

Reg No.: 1087844

Contact address as above.

Trustees

Ian Carnell

Chairman

Lorraine Armstrong

Secretary

Jenni Kitson

Treasurer

Linda Maxfield

Liaison

Sunny Thethy

International liaison

Alison Thethy

International liaison

Non Trustee Associate : Angela Robson

Trustees meet three or four times a year and a sub-committee acting as a working group convenes as necessary for practical tasks.

Registered Charity No : 1087844

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document is a Trust Deed

2022 proved to be a continuation of Covid restrictions both here in the UK and in Kenya. As with 2021, this has affected the way we held meetings and limited fund raising activities, in that we have not been able to go into schools or give talks to raise funds. Nevertheless the charity has maintained its income and continued to support its students and projects in Kenya.

No new Trustees have joined our organisation.

Volunteers and Representatives of the Charity in Kenya

Our representatives in Kenya are Jonah Arome and his brother Stephen Arome. Jonah is the person who fulfils the most of the responsibilities though the two share the role. They are paid a small retainer twice a year by EducAid Africa and basic expenses are reimbursed. Stephen and Jonah are both retired and based in Mombasa with a house still in Stephen's village where they have strong links with the local community.

Communication and links with our representative

The Trustees maintain contact nearly all by email with few if any exchanges by post now. There is a WhatsApp link both with our representatives and a separate group including past sponsored students.

Every two years when possible, a group of Trustees travel at their own expense to visit the area and meet sponsored students, distribute books and equipment and assess what future needs may be possible projects. This is an important monitoring of the activities we support and allows free and open dialogue with our representatives to make changes where necessary.

The last Trustees' visit was in February 2020. Since then we were not able to visit during 2021 or 2022 but there are plans to visit early in 2023 as international travel and restrictions ease.

How we operate in the UK

In addition to governance, Trustees used to engage with local schools, churches and interest groups, giving talks about the work of the charity and highlighting the importance of support for education of young people in such less developed countries. This was not really back in place in 2022, though one school held a mini marathon fundraiser which Trustees attended. Churches with established links however have continued to support us.

One new venture with two of our Trustees' involvement was a successful golf tournament and corporate day set up by Neckar/maxim Fork Trucks which brought in some revenue for us and some new interest in the sponsorship scheme.

Our supporters in the UK have continued to send regular sums to sponsor pupils and students at college and university. The timetable throughout Kenya which compressed three school years into two calendar years spanned this period, with a return to normal times expected in January 2023. The practicality of this plan was to make the term time shorter and holiday periods almost non-existent. We have sent fee money at the appropriate times and pupils and students took exams and completed their courses. This temporary calendar has affected the carry over sum from one financial year to the next but we have not suffered a shortage of funds. The expectation is that the school year will start again in January 2023 and return to the normal pattern. University courses normally start in September, and this should return too in 2023. We have noticed that students at a variety of universities in Kenya have graduated at altogether different times, but gradually all are managing to complete their studies.

Object of the Charity

The charity began as a response to meet the needs of young people in Kenya who could not afford to attend secondary school. Each year we are able to sponsor a number of pupils at this level for a period of 4 years in boarding schools in their local area. In 2022, the new school year began in April and we took on 7 new sponsored pupils at secondary school. We were pleased to welcome some new sponsors. As before we provided these pupils with uniform and necessary kit to start them off. Their progress and needs are then monitored throughout their four years at school. We have been able to continue support of two nursery schools with Uji (maize porridge) for their daily feeding programme.

In 2022 we took on just two students offered a University or college place for further education, providing laptops where needed.

Safeguarding

We the Trustees are aware of our responsibilities with reference to safeguarding children both in this country and in Africa and take this issue seriously. Those of us who give occasional talks in schools are in fact DBS checked although it is not officially necessary for this low level of contact. We currently have no powers to influence any controls of Kenyan personnel in Kenya or the system in schools there. We can however have dialogues with our representatives in Kenya to raise their awareness of the importance of safeguarding matters and would respond promptly if issues or concerns affecting sponsored pupils and students we support are brought to our notice. The type of contact between those who operate for us in Kenya and the students and young people there is enough to ensure our funds are accounted for, but

is almost entirely done through the schools, where young children are involved. Many of the older students are adults, and actual one to one contact is minimal.

Maintaining the current level of support

The aim of the Trustees is to maintain the level of fundraising and support at around the same level. Whilst we would wish to raise more money because there are always needs, our current organisation relies on a small local operation in Kenya and it would become unmanageable if it were to grow too large.

Financial Review

In 2022, our financial controls were again reviewed in line with recommendations of the Charity Commission.

Records are kept of donations and income in £sterling. The accounts are independently examined and are attached to this report.

When required, funds are transferred to our bank account in Mombasa managed by our representatives. They distribute the funds to schools as needed, for fees, individual needs, equipment, etc. They send a statement of funds in Kenyan shillings two or three times a year.

In 2022 the exchange rate has remained favourable to us and we have not needed to increase the amount required for sponsorship.

Funds have been transferred as needed, at slightly different times of year because of the changes to the start of the school year and terms.

Whilst there is a high level of trust with our colleagues in Mombasa, in order to manage the risk of sending funds abroad, we are now asking for their accounts in Kenyan shillings to be examined officially and to send us a copy of the document each year. This was organised again for the end of 2022.

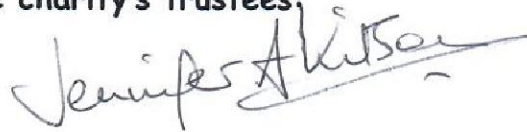
Gift Aid is an important source of income and we try to encourage all regular donors to Gift Aid where possible.

Each December it is important to retain sufficient reserves to cover the school and university fees of sponsored students, where all the money has been donated at the start of the four year period. We average the cost of fees which vary from school to school so that sponsors all pay the same rate.

Our carry over into 2023 has returned to a more normal sum as fees were sent out to Kenya in December 2022 ready for the new school year to start in January 2023.

The trustees declare that they have approved this report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jennifer Anne Kitson', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Full name: Jennifer Anne Kitson

Position: Treasurer

Date:



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

EDUCAID AFRICA

No.
1087844

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/01/2022

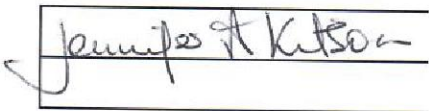
To

Period end date
31/12/2022

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					
Donations Received	23,505	-	-	23,505	22,238
Tax refund/Gift Aid	4,355	-	-	4,355	4,806
Bank Interest	12	-	-	12	2
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	27,872	-	-	27,872	27,046
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,872	-	-	27,872	27,046
A3 Payments					
Grant Payments	44,235	-	-	44,235	28,406
Transfer Charges on Grant Payments	63	-	-	63	63
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	44,298	-	-	44,298	28,469
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	44,298	-	-	44,298	28,469
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 16,427	-	-	- 16,427	- 1,423
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	29,280	-	-	29,280	30,703
Cash funds this year end	12,854	-	-	12,854	29,280

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	LLOYDS BANK -BUS. BANK INTEREST ACCOUNT	11,899	-	-
	LLOYDS BANK -TREASURERS ACCOUNT	955	-	-
	Total cash funds	12,854	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			JENNIFER A. KITSON	25.10.23



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

EDUCAID AFRICA

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31.12.22

**Charity no
(if any)**

1087844

Set out on pages

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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 31/12/2022

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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

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

Signed:

Christine M Burr

Date:

25/10/23

Name:

MRS CHRISTINE M BURR

FORMER MEM

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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