

BEREGA RELIEF EQUIPMENT AND DEVELOPMENT TRUST

2024

CHARITY ACCOUNTS

Registered Charity No. 1091256

for the year ended 30th September 2024



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Name of Charity

Berega Relief Equipment and Development Trust

Governing Instrument

Trust Deed dated 17th November 2001

Objects

The trustees shall hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the following objects in the Anglican Diocese of Morogoro, central Tanzania, East Africa, mainly, but not exclusively, in the village of Berega, Magole Ward, Kilosa District:

- (1) The relief of sickness and disease, particularly by supporting Berega Hospital through the provision of medical equipment and facilities as well as funding new buildings, maintenance and renovation of existing structures and training courses to ensure ongoing staff education and development;
- (2) The relief of poverty through support of the local orphanage and through the provision of grants and funds for homeless and needy people and those unable to afford basic health care or education; and
- (3) The advancement of the Christian religion through provision of courses and facilities for the training of church leaders and teachers in the Christian ministry.

Date Registered

17th November 2001

Registration Number

1091256

Correspondent and Address

Mr M G Mytton
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Names of Trustees

Gary Mann (Chairman)
Robert Cleave (Treasurer)
Michael Mytton (Secretary)
Dr David Curnock
Kathy Rudman
Emma Stanley
Karen Platten

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Trustees' Report

Our annual report covers the financial year ending in September 2024. During this time, Robert Cleave, our Treasurer, and David Curnock, our Medical Trustee, visited the village. They were pleased with the progress being made at the Hospital, Bishop Chitemo Primary School, the Berega Institute of Health Sciences, and the Patmos Orphanage. They noted that the academic results at the school remain very good, and that a recent Government inspection of the hospital led to an improvement in its grade.

The one big problem for these institutions, and for the village as a whole, is the lack of reliable, clean water. Over the past two financial years we have spent a lot of money on refurbishing the rainwater collection systems. This is a very useful supplement, but the water table is lower than it was (probably due to climate change) and there is still a need for a new pump. The situation is complicated and we have retained Tanzanian water and sanitation consultants (SAWA) to help us to proceed properly, and to make sure we cater for the long term.

As you will see in the financial report we have accumulated funds to allow us to carry out this work and have been encouraged by an offer of a matching grant from the Anglican Relief and Development Fund, Australia. We very much hope that we will be able to spend this money during 2025.

With regards to the institutions we support, the following developments are important:

- The Government of Tanzania is working hard in the area of education. They are encouraging all primary schools to expand and create secondary schools. The school in Berega is doing this and will be open to pupils in 2025. This is a big step and it will require significant investment.
- The hospital has had to contend with a cholera outbreak this year. As far as we can tell, it has handled this well. The incidence is now declining rapidly.
- The Berega Institute of Health Sciences has also had an interesting year. It continues to grow and this academic year it will have over 200 students. The first clinical medicine students have now graduated. They also are hoping to invest: in classrooms, dormitories and housing for lecturers.

Our partners are doing well and are certainly ambitious to bring about good changes in the village and for Tanzania!

The Trustees continue to meet online and closely follow the happenings in the village. Two of our Trustees have resigned this year and we thank them for their involvement. One was Dr Alastair Stanley: a paediatrician who has worked in the maternity ward several times. The other is Dr Jonathan Northway – the founder of the charity, and previously the doctor in charge in Berega. He is now working in a boys boarding school in the UK. We are extremely grateful to them and for all their work.

The Accounting Report

The accounts are summarised later in this report. They have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis¹. As will be seen we have spent £21,695 directly in Berega. The breakdown of this expenditure is shown below. It excludes bank charges paid in the UK.

There was one visit by Trustees to Berega this financial year.

The main focus again this year has been on the water project. The supply of water in Berega has been impacted by climate change and is causing serious problems to the hospital, the village and to agriculture.

The refurbishment of water collection pipes and storage tanks in and around the hospital, school and orphanage has been of great benefit. Unfortunately the main village borehole which also supplied water to the hospital and school has stopped working, suspected of drying up. A new borehole is desperately needed.

The, for us, significant sum of money in our bank account at the year-end is for this. SAWA our water engineering company based in Dar es Salaam are currently surveying to determine the best location for drilling a new borehole.

Department	Projects	Expenditure/£
Hospital	Creation of a dental room and dental equipment, including a dental chair. Epilepsy project	7,826
Bishop Chitemo Primary School	Pupil sponsorship plus books for the library.	8,419
Water Project	Refurbishment of water collection pipes and storage tanks in and around the hospital, school and orphanage.	4,211
Other	Morogoro Church Community Transformation	1,239
Total		21,695

We raised £20,320 more than we spent, and our funds in the bank increased from £7,495 to £27,815. The use of this money was agreed and prioritised at a number of Trustees meetings. We have also had a number of Zoom meetings with our partners in Berega to better understand immediate issues.

We collect Gift Aid, where appropriate, in the year following that in which donations were made.

We keep separate funds that have been given for particular purposes. These specific funds are: pupil sponsorship at the primary school, the epilepsy project, the water project, Morogoro Church Community Transformation and dental equipment.

We were again subject to a Barclays compliance audit which we were able to satisfactorily complete by providing the requested evidence and explanations.



For and on behalf of the Trustees
Gary Mann, Chairman
February 2025

¹ It is important to note that our sponsorship of children at Bishop Chitemo School is intended to last throughout their time at primary school. This means that we have commitments beyond the financial year: at least moral commitments.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Berega Relief Equipment and Development Trust

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30th September 2024, which are set out on the following page.

Respective Responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to: examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Christine Langton
Nottingham

February 2025

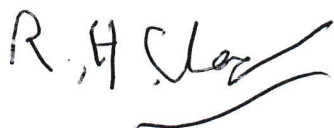
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Receipts and Payments Account

For the year ended 30th September 2024

	2024	2023
Receipts		
Donations Received	35,582	43,070
Tax Reclaimed	6,583	5,358
	<hr/> 42,165	<hr/> 48,428
Payments		
Direct Charitable Expenditure		
Grants to Berega	21,695	47,711
Other payments		
	<hr/> 21,695	<hr/> 47,711
Administration		
Printing, postage & stationery		
Bank Charges	150	216
	<hr/> 150	<hr/> 216
Total Payments	<hr/> 21,845	<hr/> 47,927
Net Income/(Deficit) for the year	20,320	501
Cash and Bank Balances at beginning of year	7,495	6,994
Cash and Bank Balances at end of year	27,815	7,495

I have prepared the accounts set out above and confirm that, as far as I am aware, they fully reflect the activities of the Trust.



Robert Cleave
Treasurer
February 2025