

# THE RSVP TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1093860

## Details

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**Other names** RSVP

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2002-09-19

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS APPEARING IN THE SCHEDULE HERETO IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT AND TO FULFIL SUCH OTHER PURPOSES WHICH ARE EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES AND ARE CONNECTED WITH THE CHARITABLE WORK OF THE TRUST. (PLEASE SEE COPY OF DEED ON FILE FOR DETAILS).

**Activities:** Work in the UK, Africa and other countries to promote Christian Faith, relieve poverty and promote education

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NATIONAL & OVERSEAS
- Rwanda
- Uganda
- Throughout England

## Finances

| Period end | Income   | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2024-12-31 | £14,909  | £17,963     | -      | -         |
| 2023-12-31 | £34,953  | £48,254     | -      | -         |
| 2022-12-31 | £135,515 | £136,018    | -      | -         |
| 2021-12-31 | £93,600  | £107,200    | -      | -         |
| 2020-12-31 | £126,020 | £116,560    | -      | -         |

## Trustees

| Name                         | Role  | Appointed  |
|------------------------------|-------|------------|
| <b>Kenneth Gordon Miller</b> | Chair | 2023-10-17 |
| Andrew David Little          |       | 2024-03-12 |
| Roy Angus Pettitt            |       | 2024-03-12 |

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# Accounts

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**RSVP Trust**

**Annual Report and Accounts**

**2023**

Registered Charity 1093860

## **RSVP Trust**

### **Trustees Annual Report**

For the period: 01-01-2023 / 31-12-2023

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

##### **The RSVP Trust**

Registered Charity Number 1093860

Address: P O Box 55, Stowmarket, Suffolk, IP14 1UG

##### **Names of the Trustees**

Mr Ray Meacham 15/9/13 - 12/3/24

Mr Tony Ingham 15/11/21 - 12/3/24

Mr Ken Miller 17/10/23 - current

Mr Andrew Little 12/3/24 – current

Mr Roy Pettitt 12/3/24 – current

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

Type of governing document: Trust Deed

How the charity is constituted: Trust

Trustee selection method: Appointed by the Trustees

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **OBJECTS**

-To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in the

Trust Deed.

-To relieve poverty or hardship.

-To advance education.

##### **MAIN ACTIVITIES**

- Supporting people in Christian ministry

- Gifts of Hope emergency relief scheme (Rwanda and UK)

- Ministry to addicts (UK)

- Development of poverty relief projects (Rwanda)

- Publishing Christian Literature and digital media

## **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

In the previous year, the Trustees noted that there was a continuing decline in income, and explored how we could be proactive in avoiding any potential future crisis. This has been achieved by making some very difficult decisions.

We initially thought that we would have to wind down the charity as we handed off much of our long-term work to others. However, once we transferred the most expensive projects to others and helped both employees through the redundancy process, it was felt that a smaller version of RSVP could continue, particularly in fulfilling its main objects of promoting the Christian faith and the relief of poverty.

We have found other individuals and organizations to take on some of the former work of RSVP, this has enabled all the work to continue for the beneficiaries whilst also relieving RSVP from the overwhelming demand and reduced income.

This means that we are no longer looking at winding down the Charity as we expected, but working as a going concern.

There was also information received that there were at least two legacies that would be received by RSVP at some future point. This was another deciding factor in keep the Trust functioning, albeit at a reduced level, so that future developments may be made possible.

The changes we made are outlined below.

## **DIFFICULT DECISIONS**

The previous Trustees decided to step down and three new Trustees were appointed to take the Trust into the future.

The projects that were handed to others are as follows.

### *Child Sponsorship*

RSVP founded a child sponsorship scheme in 1998 in partnership with Africa New Life Ministries of Rwanda (ANLM). ANLM, who have managed the scheme in Rwanda since it began, are now registered as a charity in the UK, to develop their UK support. It was planned to hand over the child sponsorship scheme to their UK organization at the end of March 2023. This has now been done and RSVP now has no involvement in the scheme and the beneficiaries have mostly continued their education uninterrupted by the handover.

### *House of Mercy orphanage*

Most of the orphans have now graduated from high school and no longer require support of the House. ANLM, who managed this project, took on the remaining months of the project. The building belonged to ANLM so RSVP has no input into the future of the project. ANLM remains committed to help orphan children in Rwanda.

*The ministry of Don Egan*, who was the original founder of the Trust, has continued and the Trust continues to support his ministry with a much-reduced monthly grant. Don Egan continues to liaise with our contacts in Rwanda managing the emergency food project and the medical insurance scheme for people in poverty in Rwanda. He also researches local people in poverty and negotiates RSVP's help to people in poverty in the UK. His ministry promotes the Christian faith through more than 28 books he has published, social media, online video, personal contacts and public speaking. He also ministers to people with addiction to alcohol creating a workbook, a video course and other resources.

*The ministry of Alison Fenning* has continued as she has set up a freelance ministry of her own and is no longer involved with RSVP Trust. She took on the work of the Freedom Project in Rwanda, which she pioneered, along with the work with sex workers and addicts in the UK.

#### *Gifts of Hope*

RSVP's Gift of Hope project provides small scale funding for emergency food and bedding in Rwanda, Medical insurance for people in poverty in Rwanda, and also helps the homeless in the UK.

It is also noted, that our partners in Rwanda, have developed connections in America, and this has greatly expanded the work in Rwanda that we originally pioneered.

The *Gifts of Hope* program continues to meet urgent needs in Rwanda and the UK, supplying food, bedding, housing and other basic needs.

#### **FUTURE**

Most of the ongoing costs of the Trust have been eliminated. Having made the two employees redundant, the office tenancy was also terminated creating more savings. Don Egan, the founder of the Trust, now volunteers as stand in administrator with occasional freelance assistance from our previously employed admin assistant.

Having reduced the outgoings of the Trust by about 90% with no obligation to any ongoing commitments, it is felt that the ministry of the Trust can continue in this scaled down version and still meet its aims and objects.

This will keep the work of the Trust alive and ready to engage in new projects when legacies are eventually received.

Some work has been done to generate new income, but given that our donor base was already depleted, and much of our most attractive work is in the hands others, this has been difficult.

However, some new regular giving and one-off giving has been secured.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

Details of any funds materially in deficit: There are no funds materially in deficit.

The charity maintains unrestricted and restricted funds. Please see the Summary Statement of Funds for details of the various funds. During the reporting period, across all funds the charity generated income of 34,953k and incurred expenditure of £48,254k, resulting in a deficit of £13,300. Total fund balances at the end of the reporting period were £8,265k

Signed Ken Miller Date 04/10/2024

Ken Miller (Chair of Trustees) on behalf of the Trustees

## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of RSVP Trust**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the RSVP Trust ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

### **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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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: *Alistair Greer CPFA*

Alistair Greer CPFA

Address: 24 Elizabeth Way, Stowmarket, IP14 5AX

Date: *12/10/2024*

**RSVP TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023****STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

|  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>£</b> | <b>31/12/2022<br/>£</b> |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <b><u>Income from</u></b>                    |                                     |                                   |                    |                         |
| Donations, Offerings and Miscellaneous sales | 31,003.96                           | 3,950.00                          | 34,953.96          | 133,007.08              |
| Rwanda Womans Freedom Project                |                                     |                                   | 0.00               | 2,387.74                |
| Rwanda Girls Sanitary Towel Project          |                                     |                                   | 0.00               | 120.00                  |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope                         |                                     |                                   | 0.00               | 0.00                    |
| <b>Total Income</b>                          | <b>31,003.96</b>                    | <b>3,950.00</b>                   | <b>34,953.96</b>   | <b>135,514.82</b>       |
| <b><u>Expenditure on</u></b>                 |                                     |                                   |                    |                         |
| Charitable expenditure                       | 44,606.66                           | 3,648.00                          | 48,254.66          | 136,017.71              |
| <b>Total expenses</b>                        | <b>44,606.66</b>                    | <b>3,648.00</b>                   | <b>48,254.66</b>   | <b>136,017.71</b>       |
| <b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>              | <b>-13,602.70</b>                   | <b>302.00</b>                     | <b>-13,300.70</b>  | <b>-502.89</b>          |
| Transfers between funds                      | 302.00                              | -302.00                           | 0.00               | 0.00                    |
| Net income/(expenditure) after transfers     | -13,300.70                          | 0.00                              | -13,300.70         | -502.89                 |
| <b>Total funds at beginning of year</b>      | <b>21,566.00</b>                    | <b>0.00</b>                       | <b>21,566.00</b>   | <b>22,068.89</b>        |
| <b>Total funds at end of the year</b>        | <b>8,265.30</b>                     | <b>0.00</b>                       | <b>8,265.30</b>    | <b>21,566.00</b>        |

**RSVP TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

|  | <b><u>Unrestricted</u></b><br><b><u>funds</u></b><br><b>£</b> | <b><u>Restricted</u></b><br><b><u>funds</u></b><br><b>£</b> | <b><u>Total</u></b><br><b>£</b> | <b><u>31/12/2022</u></b><br><b>£</b> |
|--|---|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b><u>Ministry Income</u></b>                                |   |   |                                 |                                      |
| Donations, offerings and miscellaneous sales                 | 28,902.55   |   | 28,902.55                       | 85,396.52                            |
|  | <u>28,902.55</u>  | <u>0.00</u>   | <u>28,902.55</u>                | <u>85,396.52</u>                     |
| <b><u>Other receipts</u></b>                                 |   |   |                                 |                                      |
| Gift aid   | 2,101.41  |   | 2,101.41                        | 12,373.43                            |
|  | <u>2,101.41</u>   | <u>0.00</u>   | <u>2,101.41</u>                 | <u>12,373.43</u>                     |
| <b><u>Donations to restricted (and designated )funds</u></b> |   |   |                                 |                                      |
| Child sponsorship - Rwanda - regular monthly contributions   |   | 3,800.00  | 3,800.00                        | 18,076.13                            |
| Child sponsorship - Rwanda - Christmas and birthday gifts    |   | 150.00  | 150.00                          | 1,396.00                             |
| Rwanda Projects-Womans Freedom Project                       |   |   | 0.00                            | 2,387.74                             |
| House of Mercy - Rwanda                                      |   |   | 0.00                            | 265.00                               |
| Rwanda Girls Sanitary towel Project                          |   |   | 0.00                            | 120.00                               |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope   |   |   | 0.00                            | 0.00                                 |
| Brinor Project - Zimbabwe                                    |   |   | 0.00                            | 15,500.00                            |
|  | <u>0.00</u>   | <u>3,950.00</u>   | <u>3,950.00</u>                 | <u>37,744.87</u>                     |
| <b><u>Total Income</u></b>                                   | 31,003.96   | 3,950.00  | 34,953.96                       | 135,514.82                           |
| <b><u>Less Expenses</u></b>                                  | -44,606.66  | -3,648.00   | -48,254.66                      | -136,017.71                          |
| <b><u>Surplus/deficit for the year</u></b>                   | <u><u>-13,602.70</u></u>                                      | <u><u>302.00</u></u>  | <u><u>-13,300.70</u></u>        | <u><u>-502.89</u></u>                |

**RSVP TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023****SUMMARY OF EXPENSES**

|  | <u>General fund</u>     | <u>Restricted funds</u> | <u>Total</u>            | <u>31/12/2022</u>        |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | £                       | £                       | £                       | £                        |
| <b><u>Ministry expenses</u></b>                  |                         |                         |                         |                          |
| Salaries, PAYE and pension costs                 | 1,902.51                |                         | 1,902.51                | 54,024.51                |
| Ministry Grant                                   | 26,400.00               |                         | 26,400.00               | 0.00                     |
| Redundancy costs                                 | 0.00                    |                         | 0.00                    | 11,173.24                |
| Overseas missions during the year                | 0.00                    |                         | 0.00                    | 0.00                     |
| Travel and Parking                               | 0.00                    |                         | 0.00                    | 69.69                    |
| Other sundry expenses incl.bank charges          | 95.28                   |                         | 95.28                   | 379.95                   |
| Evangelism mission costs in UK                   | 0.00                    |                         | 0.00                    | 200.00                   |
|  | <u>28,397.79</u>        | <u>0.00</u>             | <u>28,397.79</u>        | <u>65,847.39</u>         |
| <b><u>Office and general costs</u></b>           |                         |                         |                         |                          |
| Salaries, PAYE and pension costs                 | 1,130.18                |                         | 1,130.18                | 13,561.56                |
| Administration support                           | 12,185.00               |                         | 12,185.00               | 0.00                     |
| Redundancy costs                                 | 0.00                    |                         | 0.00                    | 4,877.30                 |
| Postage,stationery and advertising               | 124.80                  |                         | 124.80                  | 1,735.47                 |
| Rent, telephone, internet and insurance          | 550.18                  |                         | 550.18                  | 8,632.75                 |
| IT Software and Consumables                      | 948.71                  |                         | 948.71                  | 1,123.36                 |
| Equipment purchases                              | 0.00                    |                         | 0.00                    | 349.99                   |
| Accountancy Fees                                 | 350.00                  |                         | 350.00                  | 450.00                   |
|  | <u>15,288.87</u>        | <u>0.00</u>             | <u>15,288.87</u>        | <u>30,730.43</u>         |
| <b><u>Donations sent to Africa</u></b>           |                         |                         |                         |                          |
| Child sponsorships and scholarships (Rwanda)     |                         | 3,648.00                | 3,648.00                | 16,039.00                |
| Child sponsorship - gifts (Rwanda)               |                         | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 1,486.89                 |
| Rwanda Projects - Womans Freedom Project         | 220.00                  |                         | 220.00                  | 3,025.00                 |
| House of mercy (Rwanda)                          |                         |                         | 0.00                    | 2,014.00                 |
| Brinor Project - Zimbabwe                        |                         |                         | 0.00                    | 15,500.00                |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towel project - designated |                         |                         | 0.00                    | 100.00                   |
| Rwanda Projects GOH - Medical Insurance          | 300.00                  |                         | 300.00                  | 0.00                     |
| Rwanda Projects - Gifts of Hope                  | 400.00                  |                         | 400.00                  | 1,275.00                 |
|  | <u>920.00</u>           | <u>3,648.00</u>         | <u>4,568.00</u>         | <u>39,439.89</u>         |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                            | <u><u>44,606.66</u></u> | <u><u>3,648.00</u></u>  | <u><u>48,254.66</u></u> | <u><u>136,017.71</u></u> |

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

FUND TRANSFERS

|                                      | Transfers<br>out of fund | Transfers<br>into fund | Net<br>Transfers<br>In/Out | Description  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--|
|                                      | £                        | £                      | £                          |  |
| General Fund                         | -300.00                  |                        | -300.00                    | Trf to Rwanda Gifts of Hope J Ndahiro medical insurance  |
|                                      | -400.00                  |                        | -400.00                    | Trf to Rwanda Gifts of Hope J Ndahiro medical insurance  |
|                                      |                          | 302.00                 | 302.00                     | Trf from Rwanda child Sponsorship funds as from 31/03/23 no longer supported   |
|                                      |                          |                        | 0.00                       |  |
|                                      |                          |                        | 0.00                       |  |
|                                      | <u>-700.00</u>           | <u>302.00</u>          | <u>-398.00</u>             |  |
| Rwanda Child Sponsorship             |                          | 150.00                 | 150.00                     | Trf from Child Gifts - payment made March 23 as part of sponsorship funds  |
|                                      | -302.00                  |                        | -302.00                    | Trf balance of funds to General funds as at 31/03/23 no longer support Child Sponsorship   |
|                                      |                          |                        | 0.00                       |  |
|                                      |                          |                        | 0.00                       |  |
|                                      | <u>-302.00</u>           | <u>150.00</u>          | <u>-152.00</u>             |  |
| Rwanda Child Sponsorship gifts       | -150.00                  |                        | -150.00                    | Trf to Rwanda Child Sponsorship - child gifts received Jan 23 sent to Africa with Rwanda Child Sponsorship final payment- Mar 23 |
|                                      | <u>-150.00</u>           | <u>0.00</u>            | <u>-150.00</u>             |  |
| Rwanda House of Mercy                |                          |                        | 0.00                       |  |
|                                      | <u>0.00</u>              | <u>0.00</u>            | <u>0.00</u>                |  |
| Rwanda Womans Freedom Project        |                          |                        | 0.00                       |  |
|                                      | <u>0.00</u>              | <u>0.00</u>            | <u>0.00</u>                |  |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towels project |                          |                        | 0.00                       |  |
|                                      | <u>0.00</u>              | <u>0.00</u>            | <u>0.00</u>                |  |
| Rwanada Gifts of Hope                |                          | 300.00                 | 300.00                     | Trf. from General funds to J Ndahiro medical insurance   |
|                                      | 0.00                     | 400.00                 | 400.00                     | Trf. from General funds to J Ndahiro medical insurance   |
|                                      | <u>0.00</u>              | <u>700.00</u>          | <u>700.00</u>              |  |
| TOTAL NET TRANSFERS                  | <u>-1152.00</u>          | <u>1152.00</u>         | <u>0.00</u>                |  |

**RSVP TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

|  | <b><u>Balance at<br/>start of year</u></b><br>£ | <b><u>Incoming<br/>resources</u></b><br>£ | <b><u>Outgoing<br/>resources</u></b><br>£ | <b><u>Transfers</u></b><br>£ | <b><u>Balance at<br/>end of year</u></b><br>£ |
|--|---|---|---|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>                                    |   |   |   |                              |   |
| General fund   | 21,346.00                                       | 31,003.96                                 | 43,686.66                                 | -398.00                      | 8,265.30                                      |
| Rwanda Womens Freedom Project                                | 220.00  | 0.00                                      | 220.00                                    | 0.00                         | 0.00  |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towel project                          | 0.00  | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                      | 0.00                         | 0.00  |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope   | 0.00  | 0.00                                      | 700.00                                    | 700.00                       | 0.00  |
| <b>Total unrestricted funds</b>                              | <b><u>21,566.00</u></b>                         | <b><u>31,003.96</u></b>                   | <b><u>44,606.66</u></b>                   | <b><u>302.00</u></b>         | <b><u>8,265.30</u></b>                        |
| <b><u>Restricted Funds</u></b>                               |   |   |   |                              |   |
| Child sponsorship and scholarships - Rwanda                  | 0.00  | 3,800.00                                  | 3,648.00                                  | -152.00                      | 0.00  |
| Christmas and birthday gifts for sponsored children - Rwanda | 0.00  | 150.00                                    | 0.00                                      | -150.00                      | 0.00  |
| House of mercy orphanage - Rwanda                            | 0.00  | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                      | 0.00                         | 0.00  |
| Brinor Project - Zimbabwe                                    | 0.00  | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                      | 0.00                         | 0.00  |
| <b>Total restricted funds</b>                                | <b><u>0.00</u></b>                              | <b><u>3,950.00</u></b>                    | <b><u>3,648.00</u></b>                    | <b><u>-302.00</u></b>        | <b><u>0.00</u></b>                            |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>   | <b><u>21,566.00</u></b>                         | <b><u>34,953.96</u></b>                   | <b><u>48,254.66</u></b>                   | <b><u>0.00</u></b>           | <b><u>8,265.30</u></b>                        |

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

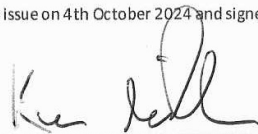
BALANCE SHEET

|  | Year Ending<br><u>31/12/2023</u> | Year Ending<br><u>31/12/2022</u> |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <u>ASSETS</u>                                |                                  |                                  |
| <b>Bank accounts</b>                         |                                  |                                  |
| RSPV/Evangelism fellowship/petty cash/Paypal | 8,265.30                         | 25,138.87                        |
| <b>Debtors</b>                               |                                  |                                  |
| Gift aid tax claim                           | 0.00                             | 1,404.14                         |
| Prepayments                                  |                                  |                                  |
| <b>Total assets</b>                          | <u>8,265.30</u>                  | <u>26,543.01</u>                 |
| <br><u>LIABILITIES</u>                       |                                  |                                  |
| Creditors and accruals                       | 0.00                             | -4,977.01                        |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                     | <u>0.00</u>                      | <u>-4,977.01</u>                 |
| <b>Total assets less liabilities</b>         | <u>8,265.30</u>                  | <u>21,566.00</u>                 |
| <br><u>REPRESENTED BY</u>                    |                                  |                                  |
| <u>Unrestricted Funds</u>                    |                                  |                                  |
| General fund                                 | 8,265.30                         | 21,346.00                        |
| Rwanda womens freedom project                | 0.00                             | 220.00                           |
| <u>Restricted Funds</u>                      |                                  |                                  |
| Child sponsorships and scholarships - Rwanda | 0.00                             | 0.00                             |
| House of Mercy - Rwanda                      | 0.00                             | 0.00                             |
|  | <u>8,265.30</u>                  | <u>21,566.00</u>                 |

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 4th October 2024 and signed its behalf by

Ken Miller (Chair of the Trustees)

Signed



**RSVP TRUST**

**Accounts for year ended 31st December 2023**

**NOTES**

**1 Basis of Preparation**

a) Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost and on an accruals basis

The accounts are in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)FRS 102

b) Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity will remain in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The trustees have therefore prepared these financial statements on a going concern basis.

**2 Accounting Policies**

INCOMING RESOURCES

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the SoFA when

- . The charity becomes entitled to the resources
- . The trustees are certain they will receive the resources
- . The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

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EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition

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**3 Details of Certain Items of Expenditure**

Related party transactions

The trustees serve on a voluntary basis. No remuneration and no reimbursement of expenses were made to them. There were no other transactions between the charity and the trustees and/or any persons close to them.

**THE RSVP TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1093860

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# Accounts

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**RSVP Trust**

**Annual Report and Accounts**

**2022**

Registered Charity 1093860

## **RSVP Trust**

### **Trustees Annual Report**

For the period: 01-01-2022 / 31-12-2022

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

##### **The RSVP Trust**

Registered Charity Number 1093860

Address: P O Box 55, Stowmarket, Suffolk, IP14 1UG

##### **Names of the Trustees**

Mr Richard Fenning 21/03/13 – 13/2/23

Mr Ray Meacham 15/9/13 – current

Mr Tony Ingham 15/11/21 - current

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

Type of governing document: Trust Deed

How the charity is constituted: Trust

Trustee selection method: Appointed by the Trustees

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **OBJECTS**

-To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in the

Trust Deed.

-To relieve poverty or hardship.

-To advance education.

##### **MAIN ACTIVITIES**

- Supporting evangelists

- Gifts of Hope emergency relief scheme (Rwanda and UK)

- Orphanage Project (Rwanda)

- Ministry to prisoners (UK & Rwanda)

- Ministry to prostitutes (UK & Rwanda)

- Ministry to addicts (UK)

- Child Sponsorship Scheme (Rwanda)

- Development of poverty relief projects (Rwanda / Uganda )

- Missions to other countries (including USA/Africa/ Europe/Asia and within the

UK)

- Church Leadership conferences (UK & overseas)

- Mobile Bible School (UK & overseas)

- Publishing Christian Literature and digital media

## ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trust continued to provide all its usual service throughout 2022. These are outlined below as normal.

However, the Trustees noted that there was a continuing decline in income, and explored how we could be proactive in avoiding any potential future crisis.

## DIFFICULT DECISIONS

The Trustees met several times during 2022 to specifically explore the projected possible future funding challenges. Although we expected everything to continue for the next 18 months to 2 years as before, we nevertheless had to accept that the challenges in raising the usual levels of income faced increasing challenges.

The main issues we face were outlined as follows:

- an aging donor base.
- difficulty in engaging younger supporters
- the effects of the pandemic on jobs and people's income
- the devastating effect of the cost-of-living crisis
- the rapid increase in costs of utilities and general price increases

Although the published annual income over the last decade doesn't look at all bad, we noted that the annual figures were affected in some years by special large donations that would not be repeated. These were from a very small number of special donors who were keen for the Trust to avoid any difficulties or deficits, or from donors giving a large sum for a specific purpose for beneficiaries over several years.

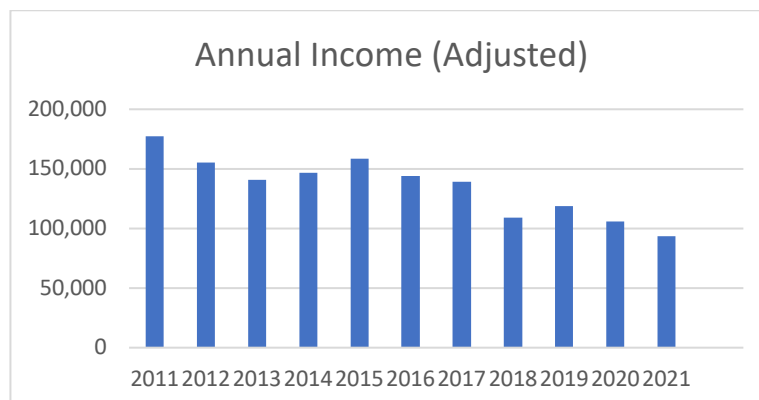
Specifically, the Trust received one-off special donations as follows:

- 2017 - £33,529 to cover all costs of 12 orphans, and also several sponsored children to complete high school.

2020 - £20,000 for general funds to soften the overall decline in income.

There was similar additional help in 2022 but this special support is now exhausted.

If the annual income figures for the last decade are adjusted to remove these special unrepeatable donations, it's clear that the income of the Trust is in an overall downward trend, from £177,615 in 2011, down to £93,632 in 2021 as shown in the graph below – basically income halved.



It felt like time to ask some searching questions:

- has the Trust achieved the main aims it set out in the beginning?
- could some, or all, of the ongoing work be passed on to others so it could continue?
- should the Trust be proactive now, in good time, to slowly wind down the Trust, hand the work onto others, and thus avoid a possible pressurized crisis at some time in the future?

Discussions were had both formally and informally, including the Trustees, employees, advisors and others about the possible winding down of the Trust.

At a meeting of the Trustees, on Tuesday 18 October 2022, it was agreed to act as though the Trust was being wound down gradually over a period of approximately two years.

(It is possible that the Trust could find new Trustees to take on the Trust and gather a new set of supporters, but at the present time, there are no obvious candidates for this course of action).

The suggested slow and gradual winding down would give plenty of time for the work of the Trust to be passed on to others. We also had a guarantee that a monthly donation of £2,300, from a local business, would continue to be received for the next 12 months, even if the Trust was wound down. This has enabled better planning and a more gradual move to winding down.

The following plans were made to pass on the work of the Trust to others.

#### *Child Sponsorship*

Africa New Life Ministries, who have managed the scheme in Rwanda since it began, were already registered as a charity in the UK, to develop their UK support. It was planned to hand over the child sponsorship scheme to their UK organization at the end of March 2023. This has now been done.

#### *House of Mercy orphanage*

Most of the orphans have now graduated from high school and no longer require support of the House. Africa New Life Ministry, who manage this project, will take on any remaining months the project as required.

*The ministry of Don Egan*, who was the original founder of the Trust, will continue as he has decided to set up a freelance ministry. He will also continue the 100 Club, which provides small grants for urgent needs of people in poverty, both in Rwanda and occasionally in the UK.

*The ministry of Alison Fenning* will continue as she has decided to set up a freelance ministry of her own. She will take on the work of the Freedom Project in Rwanda, which she pioneered, along with the work with sex workers and addicts in the UK.

The Trustees calculated redundancy payments for the two direct employees and gave the statutory three-months-notice, with employment ending on the last day of January 2023. The redundancy pay was calculated using the government calculator and paid to those eligible.

Although these changes were challenging, all concerned felt it was better to be proactive rather than wait for some future crisis.

In terms of ***'has the Trust achieved its original aims?'***, the answer seems to be yes. We've have provided funds to build a school in Rwanda. It was built by Rwandan builders, staffed by Rwandan teachers, and owned by Rwandans. This school is now a major community hub in its locality.

**Poverty** has been greatly reduced in many families through child sponsorship, the House of Mercy, the Freedom Project and the general Gifts of Hope ministry. Feeding programs and other assistance helped the Rwandan communities through the most difficult days of the pandemic.

It is also noted, that our partners in Rwanda, have developed connections in America, and this has greatly expanded the work in Rwanda that we originally pioneered.

This is a brief outline of the decision to explore the winding down of the Trust during the next 12-24 months, however, **in terms of 2022, the overall ministry of the Trust has continued as before.** This is outlined below.

### **Ongoing work**

No overseas visits were undertaken in 2022. We used more online conferencing. We also relieved poverty in Rwanda for individuals in extreme difficulty – people without food for example.

We also provided emergency food for the families of sponsored children in deepest need.

The Freedom Project graduation, where each woman graduating is given a sewing machine, was done online too.

### **New initiatives in 2022**

We connected with the **Brinor Project**. Before the current issues came to light, we had connected with this project, who do similar work to RSVP but mostly in Zimbabwe. The project helps to educate the poor, enable women to start small scale businesses and generally relieves poverty.

A local business who has supported RSVP for many years was keen to give additional funds to RSVP to enable a grant to be given to this valuable work.

The **Child Sponsorship Programme** in Rwanda continued during the year. We had about 200 children registered with the programme most of whom are being sponsored. Sponsorship meets the costs of schooling, medical care and supplementary help. All of our sponsorships are in Rwanda.

The number of sponsor children fluctuated slightly as quite a few completed their schooling. Some sponsors took on new children but the overall number of sponsored children reduced.

We continued to develop **partnerships with churches** in Rwanda and Uganda involved with training church leaders and poverty relief projects.

We have continued to develop our partnership with Africa New Life Ministries in Rwanda and the support of an **orphanage** for originally for 16 children, but gradually scaling down as the young people become adults and move on with their life. is ongoing. Some of these children have now completed their education and left the project.

The UK outreach to women involved in **prostitution** has continued and staff continued visiting vulnerable women in the daytime, which the women value highly and see as essential to mental health of some clients.

The **Gifts of Hope** program continues to meet urgent needs in Rwanda and the UK, supplying food, bedding, housing and other basic needs.

### **Freedom Project**

A group helping women exit the sex trade in Rwanda was pioneered over a decade ago. This is based around training in dressmaking and tailoring. We have provided and maintained a pool of sewing machines and also gave each woman graduating the course their own personal sewing machine. This has enabled some of them to create a viable business as an alternative to working in the sex trade. We continued to provide advice and resources to the group.

We continued to produce **video resources** online.

Two **workers** were deployed by the Trust and continued to pioneer new ways of communicating Christianity both in the UK and overseas. An occasional **email** to supporters and friends was continued and currently has around 500 subscribers.

The **Sanitary pad project** which supplies sanitary products and health education to teenage girls in Rwanda, closed this year due to insufficient funds being available. There was potential for another group from the USA to take on this project, but this has not been confirmed.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

Details of any funds materially in deficit: There are no funds materially in deficit.

The charity maintains unrestricted and restricted funds. Please see the Summary Statement of Funds for details of the various funds. During the reporting period, across all funds the charity generated income of £135.5k and incurred expenditure of £136k, resulting in a deficit of £503. Total fund balances at the end of the reporting period were £21.5k

The funds balances are considered sufficient to sustain the charity during the winding down period, and it is expected that there may be a small surplus, which would be given, either to one of the ministries we have supported over the years, or a Charity that has similar identical aims to the Trust.

Signed  (Chair) Date 1 7/19/23

On behalf of the Trustees

## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of RSVP Trust**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the RSVP Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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: A. Greer CFFA

(Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy)

Address: 24 Elizabeth Way, Stowmarket, IP14 5AX

Date: 23/10/2023

**RSVP TRUST**

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

|  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>£</b>   | <b>31/12/2021<br/>£</b> |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Income from</b>                           |                                     |                                   |                      |                         |
| Donations, Offerings and Miscellaneous sales | 97,770                              | 35,237                            | 133,007              | 91,044                  |
| Rwanda Womans Freedom Project                | 2,388                               |                                   | 2,388                | 2,268                   |
| Rwanda Girls Sanitary Towel Project          | 120                                 |                                   | 120                  | 120                     |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope                         |                                     |                                   | 0                    | 200                     |
| <b>Total Income</b>                          | <u>100,278</u>                      | <u>35,237</u>                     | <u>135,515</u>       | <u>93,632</u>           |
| <b>Expenditure on</b>                        |                                     |                                   |                      |                         |
| Charitable expenditure                       | 100,978                             | 35,040                            | 136,018              | 107,214                 |
| <b>Total expenses</b>                        | <u>100,978</u>                      | <u>35,040</u>                     | <u>136,018</u>       | <u>107,214</u>          |
| <b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>              | -700                                | 197                               | -503                 | -13,582                 |
| Transfers between funds                      | <u>3,801</u>                        | <u>-3,801</u>                     | <u>0</u>             | <u>0</u>                |
| Net income/(expenditure) after transfers     | 3,101                               | -3,604                            | -503                 | -13,582                 |
| <b>Total funds at beginning of year</b>      | <u>18,465</u>                       | <u>3,604</u>                      | <u>22,069</u>        | <u>35,651</u>           |
| <b>Total funds at end of the year</b>        | <u><u>21,566</u></u>                | <u><u>0</u></u>                   | <u><u>21,566</u></u> | <u><u>22,069</u></u>    |

**RSVP TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

|  | <u>Unrestricted</u><br><u>funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted</u><br><u>funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br>£ | <u>31/12/2021</u><br>£ |
|--|--|--|-------------------|------------------------|
| <b><u>Ministry Income</u></b>                                |  |  |                   |                        |
| Donations, offerings and miscellaneous sales                 | 85,397                                   |  | 85,397            | 58,274                 |
|  | <u>85,397</u>                            | <u>0</u>                               | <u>85,397</u>     | <u>58,274</u>          |
| <b><u>Other receipts</u></b>                                 |  |  |                   |                        |
| Gift aid   | 12,373                                   |  | 12,373            | 10,625                 |
|  | <u>12,373</u>                            | <u>0</u>                               | <u>12,373</u>     | <u>10,625</u>          |
| <b><u>Donations to restricted (and designated )funds</u></b> |  |  |                   |                        |
| Child sponsorship - Rwanda - regular monthly contributions   |  | 18,076                                 | 18,076            | 19,112                 |
| Child sponsorship - Rwanda - Christmas and birthday gifts    |  | 1,396                                  | 1,396             | 1,920                  |
| Rwanda Projects-Womans Freedom Project                       | 2,388                                    |  | 2,388             | 2,268                  |
| House of Mercy - Rwanda                                      |  | 265                                    | 265               | 1,113                  |
| Rwanda Girls Sanitary towel Project                          | 120                                      |  | 120               | 120                    |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope   |  |  | 0                 | 200                    |
| Brinor Project - Zimbabwe                                    |  | 15,500                                 | 15,500            |                        |
|  | <u>2,508</u>                             | <u>35,237</u>                          | <u>37,745</u>     | <u>24,733</u>          |
| <b><u>Total Income</u></b>                                   | 100,278                                  | 35,237                                 | 135,515           | 93,632                 |
| <b><u>Less Expenses</u></b>                                  | -100,978                                 | -35,040                                | -136,018          | -107,214               |
| <b><u>Surplus/deficit for the year</u></b>                   | <u>-700</u>                              | <u>197</u>                             | <u>-503</u>       | <u>-13,582</u>         |

**RSVP TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022****SUMMARY OF EXPENSES**

|  | <u>General fund</u>   | <u>Restricted funds</u> | <u>Total</u>          | <u>31/12/2021</u>     |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|  | £                     | £                       | £                     | £                     |
| <b><u>Ministry expenses</u></b>                  |                       |                         |                       |                       |
| Salaries, PAYE and pension costs                 | 54,025                |                         | 54,025                | 53,713                |
| Redundancy costs                                 | 11,173                |                         | 11,173                | 0                     |
| Overseas missions during the year                | 0                     |                         | 0                     | 260                   |
| Travel and Parking                               | 70                    |                         | 70                    | 0                     |
| Other sundry expenses incl.bank charges          | 380                   |                         | 380                   | 341                   |
| Evangelism mission costs in UK                   | 200                   |                         | 200                   | 0                     |
|  | <u>65,848</u>         | <u>0</u>                | <u>65,848</u>         | <u>54,314</u>         |
| <b><u>Office and general costs</u></b>           |                       |                         |                       |                       |
| Salaries, PAYE and pension costs                 | 13,562                |                         | 13,562                | 12,391                |
| Redundancy costs                                 | 4,877                 |                         | 4,877                 | 0                     |
| Postage,stationery and advertising               | 1,735                 |                         | 1,735                 | 1,561                 |
| Rent, telephone, internet and insurance          | 8,633                 |                         | 8,633                 | 8,570                 |
| IT Software and Consumables                      | 1,123                 |                         | 1,123                 | 1,122                 |
| Equipment purchases                              | 350                   |                         | 350                   | 0                     |
| Accountancy Fees                                 | 450                   |                         | 450                   | 450                   |
|  | <u>30,730</u>         | <u>0</u>                | <u>30,730</u>         | <u>24,094</u>         |
| <b><u>Donations sent to Africa</u></b>           |                       |                         |                       |                       |
| Child sponsorships and scholarships (Rwanda)     |                       | 16,039                  | 16,039                | 17,404                |
| Child sponsorship - gifts (Rwanda)               |                       | 1,487                   | 1,487                 | 1,692                 |
| Rwanda Projects - Womans Freedom Project         | 3,025                 |                         | 3,025                 | 1,840                 |
| House of mercy (Rwanda)                          |                       | 2,014                   | 2,014                 | 4,770                 |
| Brinor Project - Zimbabwe                        |                       | 15,500                  | 15,500                | 0                     |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towel project - designated | 100                   |                         | 100                   | 1,200                 |
| Rwanda Projects GOH - Medical Insurance          | 0                     |                         | 0                     | 300                   |
| Rwanda Projects - Gifts of Hope                  | 1,275                 |                         | 1,275                 | 1,600                 |
|  | <u>4,400</u>          | <u>35,040</u>           | <u>39,440</u>         | <u>28,806</u>         |
|  |                       |                         |                       |                       |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                            | <u><u>100,978</u></u> | <u><u>35,040</u></u>    | <u><u>136,018</u></u> | <u><u>107,214</u></u> |

## RSVP TRUST

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

## FUND TRANSFERS

|                                      | Transfers<br>out of fund | Transfers<br>into fund | Net<br>Transfers<br>In/Out | Description  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--|
|                                      | £                        | £                      | £                          |  |
| General Fund                         | -1275                    | 375                    | -1275                      | Trf.to Rwanda Gifts of Hope  |
|                                      |                          | 20                     | 375                        | Trf from Womens Freedom Project as no longer supporting this project         |
|                                      |                          | 1251                   | 20                         | Trf.from Rwanda Girls Sanitary Towels as no longer supporting this project   |
|                                      |                          | 2550                   | 1251                       | Trf.from House of Mercy to correct bank posting rules-no longer supported    |
|                                      | -1275                    | 4196                   | 2550                       | Trf.frm Rwanda Child Sponsorship to correct bank posting rules               |
|                                      |                          |                        | 2921                       |  |
| Rwanda Child Sponsorship             | -91                      |                        | -91                        | Trf. to Rwanda Child Sponsorship gifts to correct bank rules posting         |
|                                      | -2550                    |                        | -2550                      | Trf.balance @31/12/22 to General funds-accum.children no longer sponsored    |
|                                      |                          |                        | 0                          |  |
|                                      |                          |                        | 0                          |  |
|                                      | -2641                    | 0                      | -2641                      |  |
| Rwanda Child Sponsorship gifts       |                          | 91                     | 91                         | Trf.from Rwanda Child Sponsorship to correct bank rules posting              |
|                                      | 0                        | 91                     | 91                         |  |
| Rwanda House of Mercy                | -1251                    |                        | -1251                      | Trf.balance of funds @ 31/12/22 to General funds-Project no longer supported |
|                                      | -1251                    | 0                      | -1251                      |  |
| Rwanda Womans Freedom Project        | -375                     |                        | -375                       | Trf.balance of funds @ 31/12/22 to General funds-Project no longer supported |
|                                      | -375                     | 0                      | -375                       |  |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towels project | -20                      |                        | -20                        | Trf.balance of funds @ 31/12/22 to General funds-Project no longer supported |
|                                      | -20                      | 0                      | -20                        |  |
| Rwanada Gifts of Hope                | 0                        | 1275                   | 1275                       | Trf.from General funds   |
|                                      | 0                        | 1275                   | 1275                       |  |
| TOTAL NET TRANSFERS                  | -5562                    | 5562                   | 0                          |  |

**RSVP TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022****SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

|  | <u>Balance at<br/>start of Year</u><br>£ | <u>Incoming<br/>resources</u><br>£ | <u>Outgoing<br/>resources</u><br>£ | <u>Transfers</u><br>£ | <u>Balance at<br/>end of Year</u><br>£ |
|--|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>                                    |  |                                    |                                    |                       |  |
| General fund   | 17,233                                   | 97,770                             | 96,578                             | 2,921                 | 21,346                                 |
| Rwanda Womens Freedom Project                                | 1,232                                    | 2,388                              | 3,025                              | -375                  | 220                                    |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towel project                          | 0  | 120                                | 100                                | -20                   | 0                                      |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope   | 0  | 0                                  | 1,275                              | 1,275                 | 0                                      |
| <b>Total unrestricted funds</b>                              | <u>18,465</u>                            | <u>100,278</u>                     | <u>100,978</u>                     | <u>3,801</u>          | <u>21,566</u>                          |
| <b><u>Restricted Funds</u></b>                               |  |                                    |                                    |                       |  |
| Child sponsorship and scholarships - Rwanda                  | 604                                      | 18,076                             | 16,039                             | -2,641                | 0                                      |
| Christmas and birthday gifts for sponsored children - Rwanda | 0  | 1,396                              | 1,487                              | 91                    | 0                                      |
| House of mercy orphanage - Rwanda                            | 3,000                                    | 265                                | 2,014                              | -1,251                | 0                                      |
| Brinor Project - Zimbabwe                                    | 0  | 15,500                             | 15,500                             | 0                     | 0                                      |
| <b>Total restricted funds</b>                                | <u>3,604</u>                             | <u>35,237</u>                      | <u>35,040</u>                      | <u>-3,801</u>         | <u>0</u>                               |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>   | <u>22,069</u>                            | <u>135,515</u>                     | <u>136,018</u>                     | <u>0</u>              | <u>21,566</u>                          |

**RSVP TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**BALANCE SHEET**

|  | <b>Year Ending<br/>31/12/2022</b> | <b>Year Ending<br/>31/12/2021</b> |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                |                                   |                                   |
| <b>Bank accounts</b>                         |                                   |                                   |
| RSPV/Evangelism fellowship/petty cash/Paypal | 25,139                            | 27,723                            |
| <b>Debtors</b>                               |                                   |                                   |
| Gift aid tax claim                           | 1,404                             | 2,268                             |
| Prepayments                                  |                                   | 471                               |
| <b>Total assets</b>                          | <u>26,543</u>                     | <u>30,462</u>                     |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                           |                                   |                                   |
| Creditors and accruals                       | -4,977                            | -8,393                            |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                     | <u>-4,977</u>                     | <u>-8,393</u>                     |
| <b>Total assets less liabilities</b>         | <u>21,566</u>                     | <u>22,069</u>                     |
| <b>REPRESENTED BY</b>                        |                                   |                                   |
| <u>Unrestricted Funds</u>                    |                                   |                                   |
| General fund                                 | 21,346                            | 17,233                            |
| Rwanda womens freedom project                | 220                               | 1,232                             |
| <u>Restricted Funds</u>                      |                                   |                                   |
| Child sponsorships and scholarships - Rwanda | 0                                 | 604                               |
| House of Mercy - Rwanda                      | 0                                 | 3,000                             |
|  | <u>21,566</u>                     | <u>22,069</u>                     |

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 17, 10, 23 and signed on its behalf by

(PRINT NAME) R. A. MEACHAM (Chair)

(signature) 

## RSVP TRUST

### Accounts for year ended 31st December 2022

#### NOTES

#### 1 Basis of Preparation

##### a) Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost and on an accruals basis

The accounts are in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)FRS 102

##### b) A basis other than a going concern

The trustees made a decision during 2022 to plan as though the trust is winding down. The accounts have therefore been prepared on a basis other than a going concern. For more information, see the Trustees Report on pages 1-6.

#### 2 Accounting Policies

##### INCOMING RESOURCES

##### Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the SoFA when

- . The charity becomes entitled to the resources
- . The trustees are certain they will receive the resources
- . The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

##### Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

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**THE RSVP TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1093860

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# Accounts

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**RSVP Trust**

**Annual Report and Accounts**

**2021**

Registered Charity 1093860

## **RSVP Trust**

### **Trustees Annual Report**

For the period: 01-01-2021 / 31-12-2021

### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

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Registered Charity Number 1093860

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Signed JRA Fenning Date 22-08-2022  
On behalf of the Trustees

## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of RSVP Trust**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the RSVP Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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: Alistair Greer  
ALISTAIR GREER CPFA  
(Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy)

Address: 24 Elizabeth Way, Stowmarket, IP14 5AX

Date: 1/9/2022

**RSPV TRUST**

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

|  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>£</b> | <b>12/31/2020<br/>£</b> |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <b><u>Income from</u></b>                |                                     |                                   |                    |                         |
| Donations                                | 68,888                              | 22,145                            | 91,033             | 122,572                 |
| Sales of books and CD's                  | 11                                  |                                   | 11                 | 54                      |
| Rwanda Womans Freedom Project            | 2,268                               |                                   | 2,268              | 2,434                   |
| Rwanda Girls Sanitary Towel Project      | 120                                 |                                   | 120                | 120                     |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope                     | 200                                 |                                   | 200                | 840                     |
| <b>Total Income</b>                      | <u>71,487</u>                       | <u>22,145</u>                     | <u>93,632</u>      | <u>126,020</u>          |
| <b><u>Expenditure on</u></b>             |                                     |                                   |                    |                         |
| Charitable expenditure                   | 83,348                              | 23,866                            | 107,214            | 116,560                 |
| <b>Total expenses</b>                    | <u>83,348</u>                       | <u>23,866</u>                     | <u>107,214</u>     | <u>116,560</u>          |
| <b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>          | -11,861                             | -1,721                            | -13,582            | 9,460                   |
| Transfers between funds                  | <u>14,880</u>                       | <u>-14,880</u>                    | <u>0</u>           | <u>0</u>                |
| Net income/(expenditure) after transfers | 3,019                               | -16,601                           | -13,582            | 9,460                   |
| <b>Total funds at beginning of year</b>  | <u>15,446</u>                       | <u>20,205</u>                     | <u>35,651</u>      | <u>26,191</u>           |
| <b>Total funds at end of the year</b>    | <u>18,465</u>                       | <u>3,604</u>                      | <u>22,069</u>      | <u>35,651</u>           |

**RSPV TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

|  | <u>Unrestricted</u><br><u>funds</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted</u><br><u>funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br>£     | <u>12/31/2020</u><br>£ |
|--|--|--|-----------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Ministry Income</b>                                     |  |  |                       |                        |
| Donations and offerings                                    | 58,263                                   |  | 58,263                | 84,536                 |
| Sales of CD's tapes and books                              | 11                                       |  | 11                    | 54                     |
|  | <u>58,274</u>                            | <u>0</u>                               | <u>58,274</u>         | <u>84,590</u>          |
| <b>Other receipts</b>                                      |  |  |                       |                        |
| Gift aid   | 10,625                                   |  | 10,625                | 13,379                 |
|  | <u>10,625</u>                            | <u>0</u>                               | <u>10,625</u>         | <u>13,379</u>          |
| <b>Donations to restricted (and designated )funds</b>      |  |  |                       |                        |
| Child sponsorship - Rwanda - regular monthly contributions |  | 19,112                                 | 19,112                | 20,316                 |
| Child sponsorship - Rwanda - Christmas and birthday gifts  |  | 1,920                                  | 1,920                 | 2,433                  |
| Rwanda Projects-Womans Freedom Project                     | 2,268                                    |  | 2,268                 | 2,434                  |
| House of Mercy - Rwanda                                    |  | 1,113                                  | 1,113                 | 1,908                  |
| Rwanda Girls Sanitary towel Project                        | 120                                      |  | 120                   | 120                    |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope                                       | 200                                      |  | 200                   | 840                    |
|  | <u>2,588</u>                             | <u>22,145</u>                          | <u>24,733</u>         | <u>28,051</u>          |
| <b>Total Income</b>  | 71,487                                   | 22,145                                 | 93,632                | 126,020                |
| <b>Less Expenses</b>                                       | -83,348                                  | -23,866                                | -107,214              | -116,560               |
| <b>Surplus/deficit for the year</b>                        | <u><u>-11,861</u></u>                    | <u><u>-1,721</u></u>                   | <u><u>-13,582</u></u> | <u><u>9,460</u></u>    |

**RSPV TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021****SUMMARY OF EXPENSES**

|  | <u>General fund</u>  | <u>Restricted funds</u> | <u>Total</u>          | <u>12/31/2020</u>     |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|  | £                    | £                       | £                     | £                     |
| <b><u>Ministry Expenses</u></b>                  |                      |                         |                       |                       |
| Wages - advancement of christianity              | 53,713               |                         | 53,713                | 53,364                |
| Overseas missions during the year                | 260                  |                         | 260                   | 170                   |
| Newsletters and Publishing                       | 0                    |                         | 0                     | 50                    |
| Travel and Parking                               | 0                    |                         | 0                     | 212                   |
| Other sundry expenses incl.bank charges          | 341                  |                         | 341                   | 490                   |
| Evangelism mission costs in UK                   | 0                    |                         | 0                     | 10                    |
|  | <u>54,314</u>        | <u>0</u>                | <u>54,314</u>         | <u>54,296</u>         |
| <b><u>Office and general costs</u></b>           |                      |                         |                       |                       |
| Administration wages                             | 12,391               |                         | 12,391                | 11,931                |
| Postage,stationery and advertising               | 1,561                |                         | 1,561                 | 1,880                 |
| Rent, telephone, internet and insurance          | 8,570                |                         | 8,570                 | 8,314                 |
| IT Software and Consumables                      | 1,122                |                         | 1,122                 | 1,022                 |
| Small Office equipment                           | 0                    |                         | 0                     | 0                     |
| Accountancy Fees                                 | 450                  |                         | 450                   | 450                   |
| Other general costs                              | 0                    |                         | 0                     | 0                     |
| Depreciation                                     | 0                    |                         | 0                     | 0                     |
|  | <u>24,094</u>        | <u>0</u>                | <u>24,094</u>         | <u>23,597</u>         |
| <b><u>Donations sent to Africa</u></b>           |                      |                         |                       |                       |
| Child sponsorships and scholarships (Rwanda)     |                      | 17,404                  | 17,404                | 19,696                |
| Child sponsorship - gifts (Rwanda)               |                      | 1,692                   | 1,692                 | 2,618                 |
| Rwanda Projects - Womans Freedom Project         | 1,840                |                         | 1,840                 | 1,630                 |
| House of mercy (Rwanda)                          |                      | 4,770                   | 4,770                 | 6,121                 |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towel project - designated | 1,200                |                         | 1,200                 | 1,200                 |
| Rwanda Projects GOH - Medical Insurance          | 300                  |                         | 300                   | 320                   |
| Rwanda Projects - Gifts of Hope                  | 1,600                |                         | 1,600                 | 7,082                 |
|  | <u>4,940</u>         | <u>23,866</u>           | <u>28,806</u>         | <u>38,667</u>         |
| <b><u>Donations UK</u></b>                       |                      |                         |                       |                       |
| Gifts of Hope UK                                 | 0                    |                         | 0                     | 0                     |
|  | <u>0</u>             | <u>0</u>                | <u>0</u>              | <u>0</u>              |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                            | <u><u>83,348</u></u> | <u><u>23,866</u></u>    | <u><u>107,214</u></u> | <u><u>116,560</u></u> |

## RSVP TRUST

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

## FUND TRANSFERS

|                                      | Transfers<br>out of fund<br>£ | Transfers<br>into fund<br>£ | Net<br>Transfers<br>In/Out<br>£ | Description   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| General Fund                         |                               | 8868                        | 8868                            | Trf from child sponsorship due to error with bank rules and donations no longer child sponsorship |
|                                      |                               | 228                         | 228                             | Trf from child gifts incorrectly analysed/errors with bank rules                                  |
|                                      | -1700                         | 5784                        | 5784                            | Trf from HOM - donation Bonnet fund child sponsorship 2017-21 taken frm gen.funds                 |
|                                      | -1080                         |                             | -1700                           | Trf to Rwanda gifts of hope to cover shortfall in donations for monies sent out                   |
|                                      | -2780                         | 14880                       | 12100                           | Trf to Freedom Project to cover shortfall in donations for monies sent out                        |
| Rwanda Child Sponsorship             |                               | 604                         | 604                             | From House of Mercy for child Sponsorship - Bonnet fund alloc.not yet spent                       |
|                                      |                               | 228                         | 228                             | From child gifts - incorrectly analysed   |
|                                      | -8868                         |                             | -8868                           | To general funds - child sponsorship cancelled and should be general funds                        |
|                                      | -228                          |                             | -228                            | To general funds-no longer child sponsorship  |
|                                      | -9096                         | 832                         | -8264                           |   |
| Rwanda Child Sponsorship gifts       | -228                          |                             | -228                            | To child sponsorship incorrectly allocated  |
|                                      | -228                          | 0                           | -228                            |   |
| Rwanda House of Mercy                | -5784                         |                             | -5784                           | To general funds- Bonnet fund for child sponsorship 2017-21 paid frm gen.funds                    |
|                                      | -604                          |                             | -604                            | To child sponsorship-bal 2017-21 for sponsorship from Bonnet fund                                 |
|                                      | -6388                         | 0                           | -6388                           |   |
| Rwanda Womans Freedom Project        |                               | 1080                        | 1080                            | From general funds to cover expenditure   |
|                                      | 0                             | 1080                        | 1080                            |   |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towels project | 0                             | 0                           | 0                               |   |
| Rwanada Gifts of Hope                |                               | 1700                        | 1700                            | From general funds to cover expenditure   |
|                                      | 0                             | 1700                        | 1700                            |   |
| TOTAL NET TRANSFERS                  | -18492                        | 18492                       | 0                               |   |

**RSPV TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021****SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

|  | <u>Balance at<br/>start of Year</u><br>£ | <u>Incoming<br/>resources</u><br>£ | <u>Outgoing<br/>resources</u><br>£ | <u>Transfers</u><br>£ | <u>Balance at<br/>end of Year</u><br>£ |
|--|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>                                    |  |                                    |                                    |                       |  |
| General fund   | 14,642                                   | 68,899                             | 78,408                             | 12,100                | 17,233                                 |
| Rwanda Womens Freedom Project                                | 804                                      | 2,268                              | 1,840                              |                       | 1,232                                  |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towel project                          | 0  | 120                                | 1,200                              | 1,080                 | 0                                      |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope   | 0  | 200                                | 1,900                              | 1,700                 | 0                                      |
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| <b>Restricted Funds</b>                                      |  |                                    |                                    |                       |  |
| Child sponsorship and scholarships - Rwanda                  | 7,160                                    | 19,112                             | 17,404                             | -8,264                | 604                                    |
| Christmas and birthday gifts for sponsored children - Rwanda | 0  | 1,920                              | 1,692                              | -228                  | 0                                      |
| House of mercy orphanage - Rwanda                            | 13,045                                   | 1,113                              | 4,770                              | -6,388                | 3,000                                  |
| <b>Total restricted funds</b>                                | <u>20,205</u>                            | <u>22,145</u>                      | <u>23,866</u>                      | <u>-14,880</u>        | <u>3,604</u>                           |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>   | <u>35,651</u>                            | <u>93,632</u>                      | <u>107,214</u>                     | <u>0</u>              | <u>22,069</u>                          |

**RSPV TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**BALANCE SHEET**

|  | <b>Year Ending<br/><u>31/12/2021</u></b> | <b>Year Ending<br/><u>31/12/2020</u></b> |
|--|--|--|
| <b><u>ASSETS</u></b>                         |  |  |
| <b>Bank accounts</b>                         |  |  |
| Cash at bank and in hand                     | 27,723                                   | 36,271                                   |
| <b>Debtors</b>                               |  |  |
| Gift aid tax claim                           | 2,268                                    | 6,703                                    |
| Prepayments                                  | 471                                      | 471                                      |
| <b>Total assets</b>                          | <b><u>30,462</u></b>                     | <b><u>43,445</u></b>                     |
| <b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>                    |  |  |
| Creditors and accruals                       | -8,393                                   | -7,794                                   |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                     | <b><u>-8,393</u></b>                     | <b><u>-7,794</u></b>                     |
| <b>Total assets less liabilities</b>         | <b><u>22,069</u></b>                     | <b><u>35,651</u></b>                     |
| <b><u>REPRESENTED BY</u></b>                 |  |  |
| <b><u>Unrestricted Funds</u></b>             |  |  |
| General fund                                 | 17,233                                   | 14,643                                   |
| Gifts for sponsored children - Rwanda        | 0  | 0  |
| Gifts of hope - Rwanda                       | 0  | 0  |
| Rwanda womens freedom project                | 1,232                                    | 804                                      |
| Rwanda girls sanitary towel project          | 0  | 0  |
| <b><u>Restricted Funds</u></b>               |  |  |
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The financial statements were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on 22/8/22 and signed on its behalf by Richard Fenning (Chair)

\* JRA Fenning

## RSVP TRUST

### Accounts for year ended 31st December 2021

#### NOTES

#### 1 Basis of Preparation

##### a) Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost and on an accruals basis

The accounts are in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)FRS 102

##### b) Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity will remain in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The trustees have therefore prepared these financial statements on a going concern basis.

#### 2 Accounting Policies

##### INCOMING RESOURCES

##### Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the SoFA when

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- . The trustees are certain they will receive the resources
- . The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

##### Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

##### Grants and Donations

These are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

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Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

##### EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

##### Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

##### ASSETS

##### Tangible fixed assets

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost more than £200. They are written off over 4 years on a straight line basis. The only fixed assets are office equipment and computers.

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Signed JRA Fenning Date 15-11-2021  
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### **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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*15/11/2021*

**RSPV TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020****STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

|  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>£</b> | <b>31/12/2019<br/>£</b> |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <b><u>Income from</u></b>                |                                     |                                   |                    |                         |
| Donations                                | 97,915                              | 24,657                            | 122,572            | 117,103                 |
| Sales of books and CD's                  | 54                                  |                                   | 54                 | 172                     |
| Rwanda Womans Freedom Project            | 2,434                               |                                   | 2,434              | 3,235                   |
| Rwanda Girls Sanitary Towel Project      | 120                                 |                                   | 120                | 120                     |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope                     | 840                                 |                                   | 840                | 154                     |
| <b>Total Income</b>                      | <b>101,363</b>                      | <b>24,657</b>                     | <b>126,020</b>     | <b>120,784</b>          |
| <b><u>Expenditure on</u></b>             |                                     |                                   |                    |                         |
| Charitable expenditure                   | 88,125                              | 28,435                            | 116,560            | 122,398                 |
| <b>Total expenses</b>                    | <b>88,125</b>                       | <b>28,435</b>                     | <b>116,560</b>     | <b>122,398</b>          |
| <b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>          | <b>13,238</b>                       | <b>-3,778</b>                     | <b>9,460</b>       | <b>-1,614</b>           |
| Transfers between funds                  | 0                                   | 0                                 | 0                  | 0                       |
| Net income/(expenditure) after transfers | 13,238                              | -3,778                            | 9,460              | -1,614                  |
| <b>Total funds at beginning of year</b>  | <b>2,208</b>                        | <b>23,983</b>                     | <b>26,191</b>      | <b>27,805</b>           |
| <b>Total funds at end of the year</b>    | <b>15,446</b>                       | <b>20,205</b>                     | <b>35,651</b>      | <b>26,191</b>           |

**RSPV TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

|  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>funds</b> | <b>Total</b>        | <b>31/12/2019</b>    |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
|  | £                             | £                           | £                   | £                    |
| <b>Ministry Income</b>                                     |                               |                             |                     |                      |
| Donations and offerings                                    | 84,536                        |                             | 84,536              | 76,610               |
| Sales of CD's tapes and books                              | 54                            |                             | 54                  | 172                  |
|  | <u>84,590</u>                 | <u>0</u>                    | <u>84,590</u>       | <u>76,782</u>        |
| <b>Other receipts</b>                                      |                               |                             |                     |                      |
| Gift aid   | 13,379                        |                             | 13,379              | 14,007               |
|  | <u>13,379</u>                 | <u>0</u>                    | <u>13,379</u>       | <u>14,007</u>        |
| <b>Donations to restricted (and designated) funds</b>      |                               |                             |                     |                      |
| Child sponsorship - Rwanda - regular monthly contributions |                               | 20,316                      | 20,316              | 22,572               |
| Child sponsorship - Rwanda - Christmas and birthday gifts  |                               | 2,433                       | 2,433               | 2,271                |
| Rwanda Projects-Womans Freedom Project                     | 2,434                         |                             | 2,434               | 3,235                |
| House of Mercy - Rwanda                                    |                               | 1,908                       | 1,908               | 1,643                |
| Rwanda Girls Sanitary towel Project                        | 120                           |                             | 120                 | 120                  |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope                                       | 840                           |                             | 840                 | 154                  |
|  | <u>3,394</u>                  | <u>24,657</u>               | <u>28,051</u>       | <u>29,995</u>        |
| <b>Total Income</b>  | 101,363                       | 24,657                      | 126,020             | 120,784              |
| <b>Less Expenses</b>                                       | -88,125                       | -28,435                     | -116,560            | -122,398             |
| <b>Surplus/deficit for the year</b>                        | <u><u>13,238</u></u>          | <u><u>-3,778</u></u>        | <u><u>9,460</u></u> | <u><u>-1,614</u></u> |

**RSPV TRUST****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020****SUMMARY OF EXPENSES**

|  | <u>General fund</u><br>£ | <u>Restricted funds</u><br>£ | <u>Total</u><br>£     | <u>31/12/2019</u><br>£ |
|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| <b><u>Ministry Expenses</u></b>                  |                          |                              |                       |                        |
| Wages - advancement of christianity              | 53,364                   |                              | 53,364                | 53,077                 |
| Overseas missions during the year                | 170                      |                              | 170                   | 3,520                  |
| Newsletters and Publishing                       | 50                       |                              | 50                    | 917                    |
| Travel and Parking                               | 212                      |                              | 212                   | 1,518                  |
| Other sundry expenses incl.bank charges          | 490                      |                              | 490                   | 397                    |
| Evangelism mission costs in UK                   | 10                       |                              | 10                    | 749                    |
|  | <u>54,296</u>            | <u>0</u>                     | <u>54,296</u>         | <u>60,178</u>          |
| <b><u>Office and general costs</u></b>           |                          |                              |                       |                        |
| Administration wages                             | 11,931                   |                              | 11,931                | 11,915                 |
| Postage,stationery and advertising               | 1,880                    |                              | 1,880                 | 2,964                  |
| Rent, telephone, internet and insurance          | 8,314                    |                              | 8,314                 | 8,597                  |
| IT Software and Consumables                      | 1,022                    |                              | 1,022                 | 886                    |
| Small Office equipment                           |                          |                              |                       | 0                      |
| Accountancy Fees                                 | 450                      |                              | 450                   | 450                    |
| Other general costs                              |                          |                              |                       | 114                    |
| Depreciation                                     |                          |                              |                       | 712                    |
|  | <u>23,597</u>            | <u>0</u>                     | <u>23,597</u>         | <u>25,638</u>          |
| <b><u>Donations sent to Africa</u></b>           |                          |                              |                       |                        |
| Child sponsorships and scholarships (Rwanda)     |                          | 19,696                       | 19,696                | 19,744                 |
| Child sponsorship - gifts (Rwanda)               |                          | 2,618                        | 2,618                 | 2,109                  |
| Rwanda Projects - Womans Freedom Project         | 1,630                    |                              | 1,630                 | 4,780                  |
| House of mercy (Rwanda)                          |                          | 6,121                        | 6,121                 | 6,389                  |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towel project - designated | 1,200                    |                              | 1,200                 | 1,240                  |
| Rwanda Projects GOH - Medical Insurance          | 320                      |                              | 320                   | 2,100                  |
| Rwanda Projects - Gifts of Hope                  | 7,082                    |                              | 7,082                 | 220                    |
|  | <u>10,232</u>            | <u>28,435</u>                | <u>38,667</u>         | <u>36,582</u>          |
| <b><u>Donations UK</u></b>                       |                          |                              |                       |                        |
| Gifts of Hope UK                                 | 0                        | 0                            | 0                     | 0                      |
|  | <u>0</u>                 | <u>0</u>                     | <u>0</u>              | <u>0</u>               |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                            | <b><u>88,125</u></b>     | <b><u>28,435</u></b>         | <b><u>116,560</u></b> | <b><u>122,398</u></b>  |

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FUND TRANSFERS

|                                      | Transfers<br>out of fund | Transfers<br>into fund | Net<br>Transfers<br>In/Out | Description   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---|
|                                      | £                        | £                      | £                          |   |
| General Fund                         | -1080                    |                        | -1080                      | Transfer to Girls sanitary towel project to cover shortfall |
|                                      | -6562                    |                        | -6562                      | Transfer to Rwanda Gifts of Hope re. Covid 19 appeal        |
|                                      | <u>-7642</u>             | <u>0</u>               | <u>-7642</u>               |   |
| Rwanda Child Sponsorship             | -185                     |                        | -185                       | To Rwanda Child Sponsorship gifts                           |
|                                      | <u>-185</u>              | <u>0</u>               | <u>-185</u>                |   |
| Rwanda Child Sponsorship gifts       |                          | 185                    | 185                        | From Rwanda Child Sponsorship                               |
|                                      | <u>0</u>                 | <u>185</u>             | <u>185</u>                 |   |
| Rwanda House of Mercy                |                          |                        |                            |   |
|                                      | <u>0</u>                 | <u>0</u>               | <u>0</u>                   |   |
| Rwanda Womans Freedom Project        |                          |                        |                            |   |
|                                      | <u>0</u>                 | <u>0</u>               | <u>0</u>                   |   |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towels project |                          | 1080                   | 1080                       | Transfer from General funds                                 |
|                                      | <u>0</u>                 | <u>1080</u>            | <u>1080</u>                |   |
| Rwanada Gifts of Hope                | 0                        | 6562                   | 6562                       | Transfer from General funds                                 |
|                                      | <u>0</u>                 | <u>6562</u>            | <u>6562</u>                |   |
| TOTAL NET TRANSFERS                  | <u>-7827</u>             | <u>7827</u>            | <u>0</u>                   |   |

**RSPV TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

|  | <b><u>Balance at<br/>start of year</u></b><br>£ | <b><u>Incoming<br/>resources</u></b><br>£ | <b><u>Outgoing<br/>resources</u></b><br>£ | <b><u>Transfers</u></b><br>£ | <b><u>Balance at<br/>end of year</u></b><br>£ |
|--|---|---|---|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>                                    |   |   |   |                              |   |
| General fund   | 2,208   | 97,969                                    | 77,893                                    | -7,642                       | 14,642  |
| Rwanda Womens Freedom Project                                | 0   | 2,434                                     | 1,630                                     |                              | 804   |
| Rwanda Girls sanitary towel project                          | 0   | 120                                       | 1,200                                     | 1,080                        | 0   |
| Rwanda Gifts of Hope   | 0   | 840                                       | 7,402                                     | 6,562                        | 0   |
| <b>Total unrestricted funds</b>                              | <b>2,208</b>                                    | <b>101,363</b>                            | <b>88,125</b>                             | <b>0</b>                     | <b>15,446</b>                                 |
| <b>Restricted Funds</b>                                      |   |   |   |                              |   |
| Child sponsorship and scholarships - Rwanda                  | 6,725   | 20,316                                    | 19,696                                    | -185                         | 7,160   |
| Christmas and birthday gifts for sponsored children - Rwanda | 0   | 2,433                                     | 2,618                                     | 185                          | 0   |
| House of mercy orphanage - Rwanda                            | 17,258  | 1,908                                     | 6,121                                     |                              | 13,045  |
| <b>Total restricted funds</b>                                | <b>23,983</b>                                   | <b>24,657</b>                             | <b>28,435</b>                             | <b>0</b>                     | <b>20,205</b>                                 |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>   | <b>26,191</b>                                   | <b>126,020</b>                            | <b>116,560</b>                            | <b>0</b>                     | <b>35,651</b>                                 |

**RSPV TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

**BALANCE SHEET**

|  | <b>Year Ending<br/><u>31/12/2020</u></b> | <b>Year Ending<br/><u>31/12/2019</u></b> |
|--|--|--|
| <b><u>ASSETS</u></b>                         |  |  |
| <b>Bank accounts</b>                         |  |  |
| RSPV/Evangelism fellowship/petty cash/Paypal | 36,271                                   | 26,093                                   |
| <b>Computer and Office equipment</b>         |  |  |
| NBV  | 0  | 0  |
| <b>Debtors</b>                               |  |  |
| Gift aid tax claim                           | 6,703                                    | 8,935                                    |
| Prepayments                                  | 471                                      | 453                                      |
| <b>Total assets</b>                          | <b><u>43,445</u></b>                     | <b><u>35,481</u></b>                     |
| <b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>                    |  |  |
| Creditors and accruals                       | -7,794                                   | -9,290                                   |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                     | <b><u>-7,794</u></b>                     | <b><u>-9,290</u></b>                     |
| <b>Total assets less liabilities</b>         | <b><u>35,651</u></b>                     | <b><u>26,191</u></b>                     |
| <b><u>REPRESENTED BY</u></b>                 |  |  |
| <b><u>Unrestricted Funds</u></b>             |  |  |
| General fund                                 | 14,642                                   | 2,208                                    |
| Gifts for sponsored children - Rwanda        | 0  | 0  |
| Gifts of hope - Rwanda                       | 0  | 0  |
| Rwanda womens freedom project                | 804                                      | 0  |
| Rwanda girls sanitary towel project          | 0  | 0  |
| <b><u>Restricted Funds</u></b>               |  |  |
| Child sponsorships and scholarships - Rwanda | 7,160                                    | 6,725                                    |
| House of Mercy - Rwanda                      | 13,045                                   | 17,258                                   |
|  | <b><u>35,651</u></b>                     | <b><u>26,191</u></b>                     |

## RSVP TRUST

### Accounts for year ended 31st December 2020

#### NOTES

#### 1 Basis of Preparation

##### a) Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost and on an accruals basis

The accounts are in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)FRS 102

##### b) Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity will remain in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The trustees have therefore prepared these financial statements on a going concern basis.

#### 2 Accounting Policies

##### INCOMING RESOURCES

###### Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the SoFA when

- . The charity becomes entitled to the resources
- . The trustees are certain they will receive the resources
- . The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

###### Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

###### Grants and Donations

These are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

###### Tax reclaims on gifts and donations

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

##### EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

###### Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

##### ASSETS

###### Tangible fixed assets

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost more than £200. They are written off over 4 years on a straight line basis. The only fixed assets are office equipment and computers.

#### 3 Details of Certain Items of Expenditure

##### Related party transactions

The trustees serve on a voluntary basis. No remuneration and no reimbursement of expenses were made to them. There were no other transactions between the charity and the trustees and/or any persons close to them.