

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	04	2024		31	03	2025

Charity name Happy Home Kenya Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1101336

Charity's principal address Meadow Rise, Smalley Mill Road

Horsley

Derby

Postcode

DE21 5BL

## Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mr E J Lewis	Chairman		Trustee Resolution
2	Mr. P. Marsden			Trustee Resolution
3	Rev. K. Horleston	Assistant Chairman		Trustee Resolution
4	Dr W Millar			Trustee Resolution
5	Mrs J Jones			Trustee Resolution
6	Mr C Lacey	Treasurer		Trustee Resolution
7	Rev. Dr. M. Jones	Secretary		Trustee Resolution
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## Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

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

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### Description of the charity's trusts

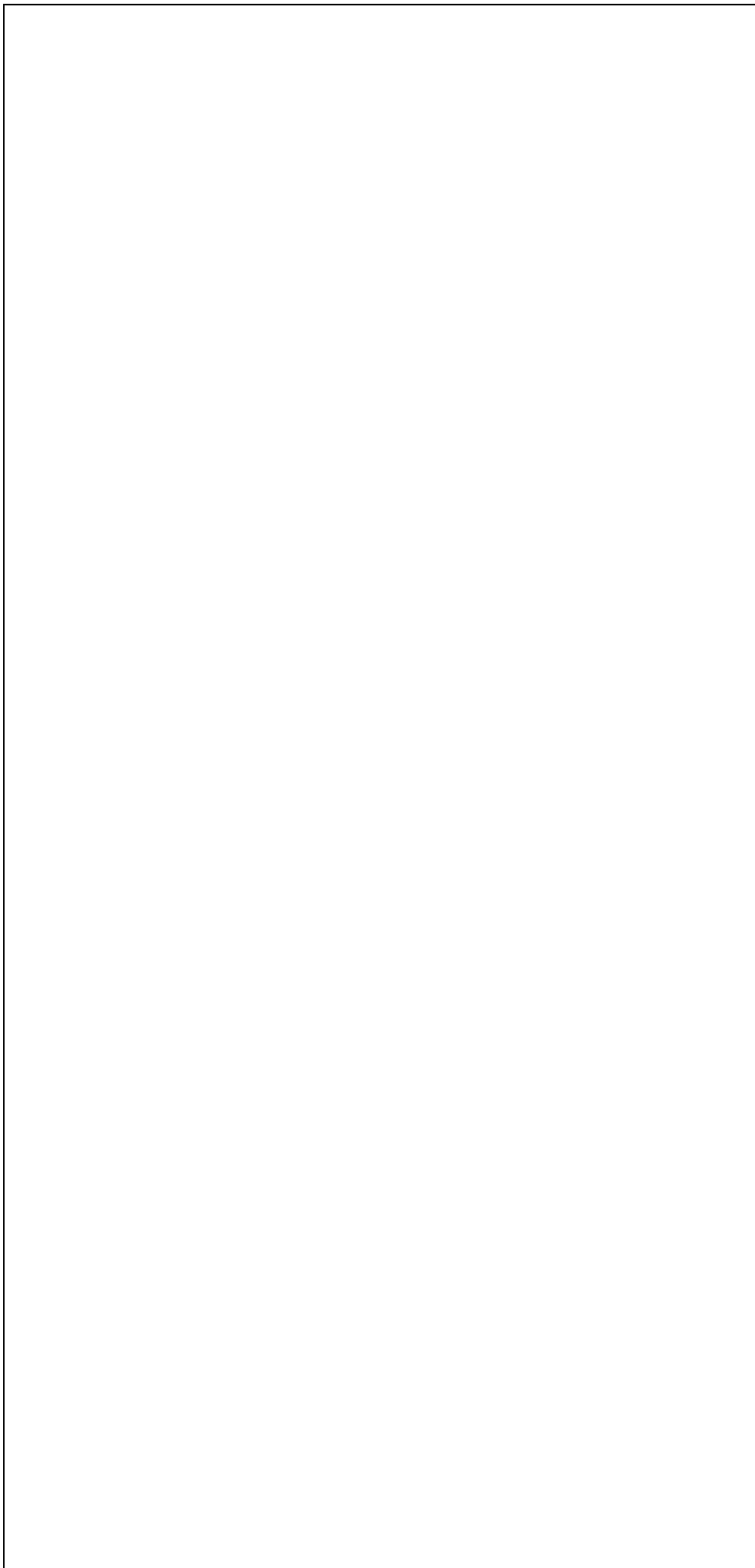
Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed dated 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2003 and amended on 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2003. Objects updated via a Scheme dated 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2010 and then again via a Scheme dated 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2011.
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	All Trustees, apart from the First Trustees at the founding of the Charity, are appointed by resolution of the existing Trustee body. All are then subject to reappointment every 3 years.

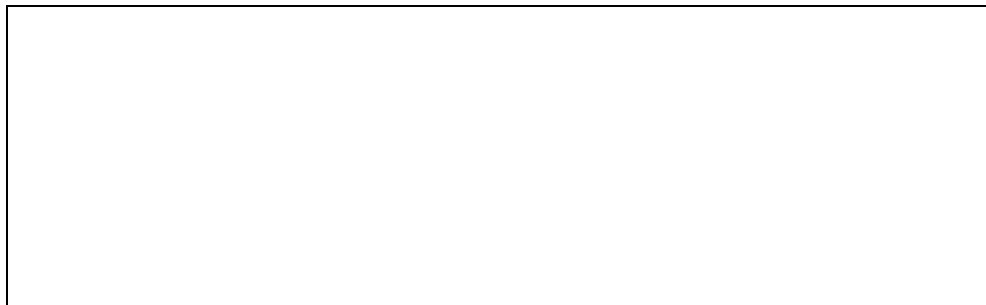
### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees.
- The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works.
- Relationship with any related parties.
- Trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

<p>New Trustees are provided with an induction set of documents contained the Trust Deed, Schemes and recent Trustees Meeting Minutes and Agendas.</p> <p>The charity operates with four officers, chair, assistant chair, secretary and treasurer, and currently three other trustees.</p>
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**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

As per the latest objects defined in the Scheme of 20/08/11. Happy Home Kenya Trust (hereafter referred to as HHKT) has as its main objective "To support charitable work in Kenya, including, but not limited to, education, relief of poverty and religious knowledge. In particular, this will include assisting those associated with, or formerly associated with, the Happy Home Child Care Community Based Organisation (hereafter referred to as Happy Home), at Kopere, near Kisumu, Kenya."

The charity continues to be a grant making body primarily to assist Happy Home in Kenya (as per its Objectives):  
Happy Home funds the provision of education and supports the food, health and clothing needs for around 52 orphaned or disadvantaged children (as of April 2025) of both primary and secondary education ages who now live in their local community with guardian families. (Please see later the rationale for this.)  
It also supports financially some of the above children who have moved on to tertiary education, sponsored by UK donors to HHKT.

On the site of the former orphanage at Kopere, Happy Home now provides primary education for local children. This activity is self-funding and contributes income towards the above needs for disadvantaged children. HHKT has provided some support for capital costs, such as new classrooms.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

The charity regularly reviews and re-agrees its formal Partnership Agreement with the Happy Home Trustees in Kenya and provides funds and receives reports against specific documented project requests. These requests cover one-off and recurring activities.

During this year the following key activities have been completed:

- Provision of welfare support and funding of primary and secondary education for all of the 52 children placed with guardian families, in partnership with the Kenya Department of Childrens Services. This includes regular monitoring visits by Kenya trustees and staff.
- Provision of support for 8 students in tertiary education through individual sponsorship, as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. During the year 5 new students started and 1 graduated.
- Provision of seed for growing outdoor crops through the year. Happy Home employs one person to oversee the cultivation of maize and beans - usually two crops a year.
- Provision of ongoing support for income-raising activities at the Kopere site, which include a carpentry workshop, provision of basic computing and photocopying services and sale of excess agricultural produce to the local community.

The agricultural land next to Happy Home is continuing to provide reasonable crops of beans and maize despite variable climatic conditions, thus saving some significant food expenses. Cows, and hens

provide additional nourishment.

The Kenyan charity trustees continue to explore more ways to be self-sufficient, keep costs down and increase local sources of funding.

Managed by the Trustee body with no employed staff, the Trustees of HHKT carry out all the administration on a voluntary basis.

The Assistant Chair of HHKT has a monthly telephone call with the Chair of Kenyan trustees, In addition the trustees of HHKT e-meet by video-conference at least twice a year with the trustees of Happy Home in Kenya. The objective is to provide encouragement, monitor and receive feedback on activities and progress, to aid strategic planning and provide material for communication with the supporters in the UK. It is hoped to supplement this with a future visit to Kenya by UK trustees.

The website is now the primary means of publicity together with a newsletter for supporters (electronic or paper) and more recently the use of social media. In 2023 the trustees agreed a social media policy.

Donations are received via regular giving, together with 'one-off' gifts from individuals or churches and through a donate button on the website. Applications are also made to other grant-making bodies that support the objectives of HHKT, but this can be erratic.

Regular giving and tax reclamation have remained reasonably steady since 2017/18. The 2024/5 year has seen a growth in income compared with 2023/24, mainly due to an increase in one-off donations.

HHKT has complied with the duty in the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission and has taken into consideration the points of guidance on "Charities and Public Benefit". See below for responses (in *italics*) to the principles laid out in the Act:

Principle 1: There must be an identifiable benefit or benefits

1. What are the benefits that arise from your organisation's aims?

*These are laid out in this section and the later Summary of Main Achievements.*

2. Is there any detriment or harm that, in your view, might arise from carrying out your organisation's aims? Are you aware of any widespread views among others that such detriment or harm might arise?

*No, there is no perceived detriment or harm.*

Principle 2: Benefit must be to the public, or a section of the public

3. Who do your organisation's aims intend to benefit?

*This is set out in our objectives in this section and the later Summary of Main Achievements.*

4. If the benefit is to a section of the public, how are the beneficiaries defined or what restrictions are there on who can have the opportunity to benefit?

**Geographical:** *Those who benefit are mainly in the Kisumu area of Kenya. However, supporters and volunteers from the UK have the potential opportunity to benefit from experiencing life in a different country and making a difference during their stay by completing a project or enhancing the everyday activities of the normal beneficiaries.*

**Charitable need:** *the main beneficiaries will have lost one or both parents putting them in significant need of help to day to day living and education.*

**Personal characteristics:** *there are no other restrictions on personal characteristics for the main beneficiaries.*

**Access restrictions:** the main beneficiaries receive care in their local community, living with guardians all the time, other than those young people of secondary school age, who receive boarding support during school term times

**Membership:** HHKT has a set of committed supporters which anyone is able to join but does not have a specific membership scheme or annual subscription. The main beneficiaries do not have to contribute to their benefits.

**Benefits for those in poverty:** the main beneficiaries are generally very poor which is why they have sought help. There is no requirement for them to contribute to their benefits.

**Private benefits:** there is no non-beneficiary receiving private benefits over and above recompense of HHKT related expenses.

#### Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- Policy on grantmaking
- Policy programme related investment
- Contribution made by Volunteers

##### **Policy on grantmaking:**

This is the main focus of the charity and current policy is to respond to the specific funding requests from the Kenyan Trustees for ongoing expenses, which include meeting the welfare and education needs for the supported children living with guardians, staffing and other costs at the Kopere site which support that objective and the support of more able children into tertiary education. In addition, the continuing development of the primary school on site which now extends to classes 1 to 5 primary and two pre-primary classes, providing employment for 10 teachers. The school aims to be self-sufficient in its day to day running. The Kenyan trustees aim is to provide a new classroom each year to provide for the increasing numbers they attract.

Happy Home Kenya Trust does not hold significant investments; it is non-profit-making and all income is passed on to beneficiaries.

The transition to alternative family care was completed in 2023/24, in line with Kenyan government policy, with all children now resident in the community with guardian families, other than when they are boarding at secondary school. These are nearly always members of the childrens' extended family, such as grandparents.

The children continue to be supported by Happy Home through regular visits from the staff and trustees, to monitor all aspects of the child's welfare and educational progress. HHKT also continues to provide financially for the education of these children including uniform and school fees and help with the cost of their food and also health costs.

There are additional costs for the Kenyan trustees incurred with travelling to these placements, also, in their commitment of time to travel around the district to check on the well-being of each child.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

The charity continues to be a grant making body primarily to assist Happy Home Child Care CBO in Kenya (as per its objectives). As of April 2025, 52 children were being supported in the community. All placements are made by social workers from the Ministry of Children's Services who have overall responsibility. Happy Home also has its own staff who make welfare visits. The trustees of Happy Home Child Care CBO have a close working relationship with Children's Services and work hand in hand to the benefit of all the children.

The on-site school now provides pre-primary and primary education to the level of class 5 and will increase with each year's intake. 8 students have been supported in tertiary education, one of whom graduated this year.

Grants from Happy Home Kenya Trust have enabled the following key activities:

- Provision of welfare and primary and secondary education for all the children
- Provision of tertiary education for 8 students.
- Provision of seed for growing crops through the year
- The maintenance of micro-businesses on site
- The continued development of the pre-primary/primary school on site
- The cost of education of 27 of students in secondary education.

The workshop funded through Happy Home Kenya Trust through the support of TWAM (Tools with a Mission) continues to produce basic carpentry training. Also, computing and photocopying services to the local community help raise income.

The Kenyan Trustees continue to look for ways to be self-sufficient/generate local revenue, keep costs down and increase local sources of funding. The trustees here in the UK continue to encourage this self-sufficiency to reduce the need for funding from the UK.

Managed by the trustee body with no employed staff, the trustees of Happy Home Kenya Trust carry out all the administration on a voluntary basis.

The trustees in the UK have again produced a newsletter (paper or e-mail) as a primary means of publicity together with regular updates on the website.

2024/25 saw an increase in funding given, this despite a decrease in income from regular giving. This was due to a substantial increase in one-off donations from individual donors and external grant making trusts. There is still a focus on increasing the stable funding base from regular donors to maintain the existing programme as well as one off gifts/grants towards expected further projects including support for more students into tertiary education and development of the school.

The partnership agreement makes it clear that financial support from HHKT might not fully meet the requirements of the predictive budget as provided each year by Happy Home in Kenya, as our fundraising capacity remains limited. It is hoped that that any shortfall will in future be absorbed by initiatives in Kenya.

Specific developments during 2024/25 included:

Amendments to the to the Partnership Agreement with HHCBO and the Website, each of which reflect the shift out of residential care to supporting orphans and vulnerable children placed in the community with Guardians, in line with Kenyan Government Policy.

Funding towards the provision of a new classroom.

Provision of specific funding for desktop and laptop computers to support the school at Kopere.

5 new sponsorships for students in tertiary education from September 2024, 4 in university and 1 at college.

New guidelines on communications between young adults supported in Tertiary education and individual UK sponsors, to safeguard the interest of both parties.

Appointment of a lead Trustee on Safeguarding, to link with the Safeguarding lead trustee in HHCBO,

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

The Charity aims to operate with minimal reserves, giving grants to Kenya as necessary to align with the requirements of the current projects e.g. for the Welfare and Education project this is typically monthly. Currently the agreed policy of the Trustees is to keep only enough funds in the UK to meet any short-term obligations which may arise.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

N/A

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**





You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- The charity’s principal sources of funds (including any fundraising).
- How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.
- Investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

<p><b>Investment policy:</b> The charity has no investments, only an ordinary bank current account and a linked savings account. This is due to its grant making focus and the need to pass funds to Kenya whenever required. Typically funds will only stay in the bank for a few weeks before transfer so investment opportunities are limited.</p> <p><b>Major risks:</b> There is still a significant risk in having a relatively small set of supporters, including key sponsors such as companies or other trusts. There is still much work to do to increase the level of funds which can be provided to Happy Home in Kenya to sustain its current activities and allow continued progress with micro-businesses and the continued provision of clean water on site and other potential projects assisting the end goal of self-sufficiency.</p>
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above at a meeting of trustees on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>				
	<b>Full name(s)</b> Elvet John Lewis		Martin David Jones	
<b>Position (eg secretary, chair, etc)</b>	Chair		Secretary	
	<b>Date</b> 6 Jan 2026		6 Jan 2026	



## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01-Apr-24

To

31-Mar-25

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Regular Donations	9,382	-	-	9,382	12,242
One-off Donations	26,110	-	-	26,110	13,063
Reclaimed Tax	6,546	-	-	6,546	5,146
Bank Interest	24	-	-	24	15
Donations for Roseate School	-	-	-	-	3,500
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>42,062</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,062</b>	<b>33,966</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
(None)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>42,062</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,062</b>	<b>33,966</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Grants paid to Happy Home	40,992	-	-	40,992	35,298
Grants paid to Roseate School	-	-	-	-	3,316
Bank charges	75	-	-	75	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>41,067</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,067</b>	<b>38,614</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
(None)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>41,067</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,067</b>	<b>38,614</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>- 4,648</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>1,963</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,963</b>	<b>6,611</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>1,963</b>

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Treasurer's Current Account	2,029	-	-
	BB Instant Online Account	928	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	(None)	-	-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	(None)	-	-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B4 Assets retained for the</b>	(None)	-	-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	(None)	-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Happy Home Kenya Trust

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Apr-24	To	31-Mar-25
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### Section A Receipts and payments

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	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
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	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
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<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>41,067</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,067</b>	<b>38,614</b>
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<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>1,963</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
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		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Happy Home Kenya Trust

On accounts for the year  
ended

31/03/2025

Charity no  
(if any)

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Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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

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

Independent  
examiner's statement

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

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

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

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date: 07/01/2026

Name: Gavin Francis

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

CIMA CGMA Affiliate

**Address:**

15 Blackbrook Road,

Great Horkesley, Colchester

CO6 4TP

**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

N/A