

Samburu Trust UK
Annual Report 2025

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1. General Legal and Administrative Information

Name

The name of the charity is Samburu Trust UK. Previously known as Ol Malo Charitable Trust and The Ol Malo Trust.

Registration Number

The charity is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales, registration number 1109421.

Accounting Reference Date

31st March in each calendar year

Principal Address

Park House
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Tarporley
CW6 0AB

Bankers

HSBC
47 Eastgate Street
Chester
CH1 1XW

Auditors

Hall, Livesey, Brown
68 High Street
Tarporley
CW6 0AT

Governing Document

The charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 6th October 2004 as amended by supplemental deeds dated 15th April 2005, 31st August 2006 and 19th February 2013.

Objects of the charity

The charity exists for the relief of poverty, hardship and distress, the advancement of education and the protection and promotion of good health among the inhabitants of Kenya, in particular among the Samburu community of the Krimun/ North Laikipia area, by such exclusively charitable means as the Trustees shall from time to time determine.

2. Trustees & Governance

Trustees are appointed on the basis that they are supportive of the aims of the Trust, that they have particular talents, skills, knowledge and experience for the effective administration of the charity, and that they are willing to serve. All new Trustees are appointed by a resolution of the Trustees passed at a special meeting of Trustees.

Name of Trustee	Dates during which the named trustee acted
Emily Bell	1/4/06 – current
Daniel Morris	1/4/06 – current
Alun Newby	8/4/11 – current

The Trustees carried out all their business via written resolutions in accordance with the amendments to the Trust Deed effected on 31st August, 2006.

3. History and background to the charity

The Samburu Trust was started on a small family run lodge in Northern Kenya during the 1998-2000 drought, out of a need to provide food to the neighbouring women and children. Julia Francombe raised money to feed the local community by selling the paintings and beadwork of the Samburu women and children to tourists.

Forging a close bond with Samburu people, Julia began to observe their physical and spiritual environment and saw that the trust could support and uplift the Samburu to do what they do best, without interfering with their lives and culture, creating a unique relationship built on mutual trust and respect.

For over 20 years, the Trust has worked tirelessly and below the radar on six key areas: education, women, health, water, security and wildlife. From eradicating trachoma in our region, responding to medical emergencies on the ground and providing clean drinking water for people and animals to partnering with the government by creating resources for the new national curriculum and providing data to protect wildlife corridors from planning and development to reduce human/wildlife conflict, our projects are continuously developing and growing in scope and ambition.

4. Report of the Trustees

Administration

Samburu Trust UK is a registered Charity with HM Revenue and Customs for tax purposes. This enables the charity to reclaim income tax in relation to donations made by UK resident individuals via the Gift Aid scheme and gives UK tax

exemptions in relation to income and capital gains arising in the course of charitable activity. Tax Reclaims continue to be made annually at the end of every financial year.

Links have been made with the JustGiving and Donorbox platforms and the Charity Payments department of the Charities Aid Foundation. Individuals, in the UK, can give their tax repayments as a donation through their tax return by quoting reference **EAS59KG** in the appropriate section of their tax return.

Activities and achievements

This year the Samburu Trust UK successfully continued its ongoing fund raising activities. Grants were made to Samburu Trust Kenya to further the objects of the charity as previously stated. The grants were utilised in six main areas: Medical, Water, Beading Workshop, Wildlife/Security, Education, and Drought/Famine Relief.

Medical

The Samburu people face many hazards in their daily lives including burns, gunshots, poisoning, snakebites, and infections. For over 20 years we have provided basic in situ medical support. For more serious issues we have provided access to the nearest hospitals and covered the costs of treatment.

We have successfully undertaken a project to eradicate trachoma in the local population and are now putting a lot of effort into providing cataract treatment. We partner with the government hospitals and have built long-term partnerships with doctors and surgeons throughout Kenya.

Water

To date we have built 11 Samburu Reservoirs and estimate that each one provides clean drinking water to approximately 1000 people and their livestock. In 2024 one additional dam was built and ongoing maintenance of existing dams has been undertaken. We continue to test and implement Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR).

Beading Workshop

We continue to support women passing their traditional craft of beading on to the next generation. We give 98 women an income, celebrating and sharing their cultural traditions of beading and dancing thus enabling them to feed their families and community, giving them freedom to live how they choose

Wildlife Security

Throughout the year our intention was to support the people, via our council of elders to keep the peace, prevent illegal poaching of elephants, protect wildlife and provide safe passage through community lands, protecting people who share environments with wildlife.

The 11 Morani Ones (our team of Samburu warrior scouts who work out in the communities covering hundreds of miles) create a strong link between the ground and regional KWS stations.

Education

Over the past 20 years our education provision has continued to evolve. From nomad schools to fixed classrooms on site at Ol Malo. Always focusing on local language, with excellent feedback as primary pupils go onto government school. We trained teachers and expanded with a second school in the north of our territory.

Recognised by local government for what we achieved, we have now partnered with them, merging our existing schools with two new government schools. We help provide furnishings, teaching materials and continue to contribute to teacher training and salaries. We also support local children with school fees where necessary.

We are currently supporting 110 children enrolled in government schools and we are expanding our scope to provide culturally relevant education for all Samburu children. We have been working on a knowledge bank of Samburu wisdom and learnings, for several years and now the government has requested this work to be expanded and developed into materials for a new national curriculum specifically tailored for mother tongue learning.

Drought/Famine Relief

2024 started with devastating floods and we experienced a larger than usual demand for drought relief in terms of feed for cattle and people. Pastoralists depend on the health of their cattle to survive. Keeping the animals alive (not just the people) gives a more long-term solution to drought relief.

5. Policies of the Trustees

Last year the following policies were produced:

- Privacy Policy (updated)
- Safeguarding Policy
- Financial Policy

The Trustees also developed a Memorandum of Understanding with Samburu Trust Kenya.

These policies were formally agreed by a meeting of the Trustees on 1st April 2024 when it was also agreed to change the financial year end from 31st March to 31st December as from 1st April 2024.

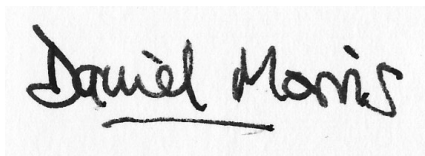
The charity holds cash in a bank account in the UK. We expect to make funding available for specific purposes and projects and there is a general fund to which application can be made for funding and support.

The Trustees have agreed to hold a reserve of £20,000 which equates to the typical annual donation to the Samburu Trust Kenya. This would enable us to continue support should we experience a serious reduction in fundraising for at least a year. It should also ensure that sufficient funds are held to enable us to respond to unexpected events, for example, where we may need to help fly an expert medical team to Kenya.

The charity has not contemplated grants to other bodies and currently has no plans to do so, but does not rule out the possibility that we may do so in the future.

6. Declaration

In my capacity as Chairman of Trustees I declare that the Trustees have approved this report and have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel Morris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Full Name: Daniel Morris
Position: Trustee

Date: 8th October 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Samburu Trust UK

1109421

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/04/2024

To

31/12/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	25,071	-	-	25,071	27,671
Gift Aid	3,040	-	-	3,040	1,133
Bank interest	786	-	-	786	395
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,896	-	-	28,896	29,199
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,896	-	-	28,896	29,199
A3 Payments					
Bank fees	149	-	-	149	104
Donation platform fees	462	-	-	462	216
grants to Samburu Trust Kenya	20,000	-	-	20,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,611	-	-	20,611	320
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,611	-	-	20,611	320
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,286	-	-	8,286	28,879
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	46,316	-	-	46,316	17,437
Cash funds this year end	54,602	-	-	54,602	46,316

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank current a/c	28	-	-
	Bank savings a/c	54,574	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	54,602	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	Gift Aid accrued	1,412	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Alun Newby		



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
SAMBURU TRUST UK

On accounts for the year
ended

31 DECEMBER 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1109421

Set out on pages

(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 period ended 31.12.2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) 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:

19.02.2025

Name:

REBECCA ELLAMS FCCA

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

CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT

Address:

68 HIGH STREET, TARPORLEY, CHESHIRE, CW6 0AT

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.