

ROWLEY PROJECTS

**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024**

**Company Limited by Guarantee
Company registration number (England & Wales): 05647424
Registered Charity number: 1113036**

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

The Directors are pleased to present their report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30th June 2024

STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

Rowley Projects is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The charity number is 1113036 and company number is 5647424. The accounts comply with current statutory requirements, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP).

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Directors and Trustees:

S J Rowley
A B Rowley
B R Johnstone

Company Secretary and Trustee:

B R Johnstone

Recruitment, appointment and training of Trustees

Business, educational, and pastoral skills are well represented on the Board of Directors and Trustees. We aim to maintain and where necessary expand this range of skills and experience by increasing the knowledge base of present and future Trustees.

If considered appropriate, Trustees are engaged in training to assist them in carrying out their duties in an efficient and effective manner.

Risk management

Where appropriate, procedures and systems are in place to mitigate the risks faced by the charity.

Organisational structure

The charity does not have any employees and work is carried out by either Trustees or volunteers. Trustees meet formally and informally during each year.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024
cont...****PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND OBJECTIVES**

The principal activity of this charitable company in the year under review continues to be the relief of poverty in Kenya and other places by promoting and supporting the health, education and well being of the general population. This involves, among other things, establishing clean water projects, supplying school buildings and materials, building and staffing dispensaries, clinics and other medical facilities, and encouraging local church life, all in partnership with local communities.

Over time our work has developed mainly into educational support in helping students and facilitating the building of educational facilities.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

We continue to concentrate our efforts on improving the lives and future of the people living in Nyandiwa, a poor area in West Kenya. Now that the Covid 19 pandemic is well behind us, it has been possible to resume our twice yearly trips, which were made in April 2023 and February 2024.

The Nyandiwa community were thankfully quite well protected from the worldwide Covid virus, despite minimal Kenyans being vaccinated.

It remains encouraging to find that many of our graduates have progressed and are now in well paid employment or their own businesses.

Our work covers the following activities:

1 Clean water

People living in the area of Nyandiwa continue to have a great need for clean drinking water. Our water filter projects have been a major success over time, with a reduction in reports of waterborn diseases: cholera, typhoid and dysentery, when a water filter has been used.

However, funding for this work has had to reduce, as suitable local people who can carry out this work into the future are sought.

2 Schooling and education

Educational projects continue to be major part of our work, but the education system in Kenya was badly impacted by Covid imposed lockdowns. Notwithstanding this, the Nyandiwa primary and secondary schools where we concentrate our work still produce excellent results.

After building delays, the IT suite above the secondary school library was completed and formally opened. IT equipment has been purchased, together with furniture made locally by a centre for the deaf and blind, making it a double success.

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cont...**3 Health**

The operation of the dispensary continues to be of significant benefit to the local community and it is staffed by a resident health practitioner and nursing support. When we make visits to the area, we also visit other local dispensaries, to encourage, and to distribute medicines and consumables donated from our UK based supporters.

4 Small Businesses

We continue our efforts to introduce and support new business enterprises. The school uniform making and chicken rearing businesses have been encouraging successes.

5 Grain

There remains a desperate need for rain from time to time, and weather patterns / climate is completely unpredictable these days. This has made farming practically impossible. However, thanks to our generous supporters it was possible to send a further £6,000 for purchase of grain and cooking oil in June 2024 (in addition to a similar amount sent in May 2023.) This was distributed to over 1,500 people.

Further detailed information about our work, and news from trips made, may be found on our website at www.rowleyprojects.com, and on periodic newsletters issued and available on request.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial position remains satisfactory. We continue to be careful in the management of resources entrusted to us and we incur minimal overhead and administrative costs. We are a project based charity and aim to identify specific needs, cost the project, and then seek to raise appropriate funds.

Income received continues to come from a variety of UK sources including local school and church groups, and individuals. We are extremely grateful to around 40 loyal and dedicated supporters who donate towards our work on a monthly basis. Many have done this since our inception.

For the year ended 30th June 2024 total income was £38,722 (prior year £58,861). This generosity of giving is so encouraging, and enables important projects to be completed and renewed.

Investment and reserves policy

Most of the funds of this charity are to be spent in the short term, subject to retaining a prudent amount in reserves each year when possible. Surplus funds are modest and unfortunately generate negligible interest. The objective is to try to keep adequate funds to finance operations for at least the following three months.

Plans for the future

The plan is to continue the activities outlined above in the near future. However, the Trustees are not getting any younger and the projects are almost all now self - sustaining. The Secondary School Principal has made what we feel to be an inspired proposal: a school bus. A credible business plan is in place and to date there have been encouraging donations received for this purpose in the present accounting period.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024 cont...**DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The director trustees are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations. Company law requires the Directors to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view. In preparing those accounts the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- follow statements of recommended practice.
- prepare the accounts on the 'going concern basis' unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

The director trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Director Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

S J Rowley
Trustee Director
26th March 2025

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024**

		Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
		£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES:					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary income	- general purposes	0	14,223	14,223	22,678
	- water projects	0	0	0	0
	- schooling & education	12,244	0	12,244	24,760
	- health	0	0	0	0
	- grain	5,901	0	5,901	4,341
Gift aid recovery (see note 1c)		0	6,351	6,351	7,082
Income from main activities of charity		<u>18,145</u>	<u>20,574</u>	<u>38,719</u>	<u>58,861</u>
Investment income - bank interest		0	3	3	0
Total incoming resources		<u>18,145</u>	<u>20,577</u>	<u>38,722</u>	<u>58,861</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED:					
Main charitable activities: -					
Projects	- water projects	0	0	0	0
	- schooling & education	12,244	19,922	32,166	64,036
	- health	0	0	0	0
	- grain	5,901	99	6,000	6,086
	- other costs	0	307	307	613
Total of project costs		<u>18,145</u>	<u>20,328</u>	<u>38,473</u>	<u>70,735</u>
Travel and associated costs to / from and within Kenya		0	10,806	10,806	14,389
Expenditure on main activities of charity		<u>18,145</u>	<u>31,134</u>	<u>49,279</u>	<u>85,124</u>
Other communications, resources, website & promotion		0	608	608	534
Total resources expended - main charitable activities		<u>18,145</u>	<u>31,742</u>	<u>49,887</u>	<u>85,658</u>
Governance		0	388	388	343
Total resources expended		<u>18,145</u>	<u>32,130</u>	<u>50,275</u>	<u>86,001</u>
Net incoming / outgoing resources for the year		0	-11,553	-11,553	-27,140
Total funds brought forward 1st July 2023		0	19,356	19,356	46,496
Total funds carried forward 30th June 2024		<u>0</u>	<u>7,803</u>	<u>7,803</u>	<u>19,356</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources expended derive from continuing activities.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank and cash		4,915	30,485
Prepaid travel costs for next year		3,568	222
		<u>8,483</u>	<u>30,707</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accrued costs	4	-680	-11,351
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>7,803</u>	<u>19,356</u>
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:			
General funds		7,803	19,356
RESTRICTED FUNDS:			
Water	3	0	0
Schooling & education	3	0	0
Grain	3	0	0
Health	3	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>7,803</u>	<u>19,356</u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

For the financial year ended 30th June 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 Companies Act 2006. No member of the company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 476, requiring an audit of these financial statements under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustee directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The accounts on pages 5 to 8 were approved by the Board on 26th March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

B R Johnstone Trustee Director

Company Registration No. 05647424

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DEFINITIONS**

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year.

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities, laid down by the Charity Commission.

(b) Fund accounting

- Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes.
- Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor through the terms of an appeal.

(c) Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.
- Investment income is included when receivable.
- Gift aid tax recovered is accounted for when received from HM Revenue & Customs.

(d) Resources expended

- Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred or approved for payment in the case of charitable resources expended.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them, such as travel and visit costs to Kenya.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024**

2. LEGAL STATUS OF THE CHARITY

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to a maximum of £10.

3. MOVEMENT ON RESTRICTED FUNDS

				2024	2023
	Water	Schooling & education	Grain	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Opening balance 1st July 2023	0	0	0	0	0
Incoming resources	0	12,244	5,901	18,145	29,101
Outgoing resources:					
- specific costs	0	12,244	5,901	18,145	29,101
- allocated costs - trips	0	0	0	0	0
	0	12,244	5,901	18,145	29,101
Closing balance 30th June 2024	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

4. ACCRUED COSTS

	2024	2023
Accrued expenses	680	330
Schooling & education expenditure approved at 30.6.23 not cleared until July 2023 (prior year only)	<u>0</u>	<u>11,021</u>
	<u>680</u>	<u>11,351</u>

*I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 30th June 2024,
as shown on pages 5 to 8.*

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:-

- *examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act*
- *to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and*
- *to state whether particular matters have come to my attention*

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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

- *to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act and*
- *to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.*

have not been met or

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

DAVID R S WELCH FCA, DChA.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

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26th March 2025