



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	Jan	2024		31	Dec	2024

### Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Orphans in the Wild

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1113719

Charity's principal address Rudgley House

Cold Pool Lane

Badgeworth, Glos

Postcode

GL51 4UP

#### 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	Jane Fox	Treasurer		
2	Simon Shercliff	Chairman		
3	Bruce Fox	Trustee		
4	Marion Gough	Trustee		
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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

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

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected

### 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.

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## Section C Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To relieve poverty, advance education, improve access and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare, recreation, leisure and support with the object of improving the conditions of life for the people of Tanzania and their environment by the provision of such financial or material support and assistance as the trustees shall from time to time determine.

**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)**

Orphans in the Wild supports Non Government Organisations (Ngo) in Tanzania, East Africa. The specific nature of the support is financial, increasing awareness of the plight of the children and families who are victims of AIDS, coordinating and shipping donated equipment and goods for schools, hospitals and orphanages.

The activities supported by Orphans in the Wild have been deemed to be of public benefit to the communities of Tanzania and the trustees have paid due regard to the guidance on public benefit as given by the Charities Commission of England and Wales. The communities are hard struck by the economic and social impact of HIV/AIDS.

Infection rates in this region of Tanzania (Mufindi District) are around 40% which is one of the highest in the country. The impact on the communities is evident in every walk of life. Anti-retro viral drugs are free but the administration is cumbersome and expensive. The disease impacts the working age group leaving the elderly and very young with no support. The children are often kept away from school to help support the family, especially the girls. The social structure of relatives taking in orphaned children from family is overwhelmed and breaking down leaving children very vulnerable.

**In the Mufindi District, current projects include:**

Providing direct orphan and foster care at the Children's Village

Implementing kindergarten classrooms in local villages

Sponsoring vulnerable youth to attend school

Training community health workers

Supporting HIV/AIDS clinics

Protecting rainforest flora and fauna through conservation initiatives

We take an integrated, holistic, and long-term approach. Our programmes not only provide immediate support, but are designed to help communities recover and grow sustainably.

**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.

Orphans in the Wild trustees have begun to build up an investment sum with the objective that the annual yield will create a sustainable income to pay for the care of those children in the Childrens Village. This decision was made in light of the pandemic and the vulnerability of such a project to the fluctuating nature of donations. Unlike other projects which can be scaled down or up depending on the value of donations, once children are in the Childrens Village they have nowhere else to go and therefore it is fundamental to secure a regular income for their care.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

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

In line with the investment policy, a substantial investment has been made with the aim to create a sustainable income to protect the children under the care of Foxes Community and Wildlife Conservation in Tanzania.

Orphans in the Wild supports the NGO Foxes Community and Wildlife Conservation Trust (FCWCT) in Mufindi, Tanzania. This has one of the highest infection rates of HIV/AIDS in the whole country.

At the **Igoda Children's Village (ICV)**, we continued to care for orphaned and vulnerable children, ensuring their health, safety, and well-being. Due to government regulations, no child over 18 is permitted to remain in an orphanage. Some children previously fostered by FCWC have now returned to live with relatives in nearby villages. For those who have left but are still in school, we provide continued support in the form of food hampers, assistance with accommodation and the payment of school fees, uniforms and books. Their welfare is regularly monitored.

There are currently **36 children** living at ICV: **18 girls and 18 boys**. All are attending school except *Halima* and *Hezron*, whose medical challenges prevent them from doing so. In addition to this, there are 16 children and young adults who are being supported whilst living in nearby villages. The ages of these 16 are from 7 through to 24.

The Baby House is cared for by our two dedicated house mamas, **Christina Mvinge** and **Mary Kamendu**, who lovingly looked after 7 infants this year 4 girls and 3 boys. The youngest arrived at only 10 days old following the unfortunate death of her mother. All are under 1 year old. 4 of these infants have care plans in place whereby a known relative, father or other close family will resume care of the child after an agreed length of time when they are able to do so.

In 2024, a total of **60 children** attended the **kindergarten**, where they continued to learn and play. In addition, **5 children** were cared for in the **Nursery**. Many of the children come from nearby villages. On 6th December 2024, **19 children graduated** from kindergarten. The kindergarten is also open to ICV children and the children of staff members. This early learning experience ensures they are well-prepared when they start primary school.

Children from the ICV continue to attend local primary and secondary schools.

The Vocational Training Centre ran its **YAM training courses** throughout 2024, providing skills development opportunities for local youth in: Carpentry ,tailoring, mechanics, entrepreneurship and agricultural practices.

These courses are a key component of our efforts to improve youth employability and self-sufficiency.

**The Milk Powder Programme** is sponsored by **St. Pius X Church in Bristol, via Orphans in the Wild, UK**, this programme is made possible through volunteer fundraising efforts. It has become a **lifeline for infants** whose mothers have died or are unable to nurse. Without this support, many families would resort to feeding babies thick porridge (uji), which is

nutritionally inadequate for infants.

Babies are referred by the outreach team, following consultation with local **village children's committees**, ensuring that no other relatives can support the baby. 18 babies have been cared for by this programme in 2024.

13 Village Home-Based Care (HBC) volunteers continue to provide essential care in **Ihanu, Mdabulo, and Luhunga wards**. They are trained in **first aid**, and assist community members, particularly those with HIV/AIDS, by: Encouraging clinic visits for testing and treatment; assessing needs for home visits from doctors and reporting to HBC leaders for case tracking, consolidating information and reporting back to the NGO. In total 2906 patients were visited during the year.

Significant progress was made in 2024 on the construction of the **Nyamalongolo Mini Hydropower Plant**, an exciting new project intended to support ICV's long-term sustainability and energy independence. The **weir has been completed, Penstocks have been successfully installed**, and Construction of the **canal is advancing well**. The primary goal of the project is to generate 20 – 70 kW (depending on the season) **reliable and stable electricity** for the **Igoda Children's Village, Kindergarten and Vocational Training Centre**. It has been made possible by a generous donation from the **Merck Family Foundation**.

Under the leadership of **Chris Fox** and his team, FCWCT has made major contributions to protecting the rainforests of Mufindi—a region crucial to the **watersheds of surrounding savannah habitats**.

The Youth Agency of Mufindi supported by the Finnish government continues to run extensive trainings and workshops doing invaluable work to support disabled and disadvantaged youth in the district. These projects are quite unique in Tanzania and are highlighting a huge gap in support offered to such groups. This project is managed by Bruce Fox and his support team in Mufindi.

## Section E

## Financial review

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

The Charity is aiming to build up a reserve balance so that the day to day running of the Igoda Children's Village is protected against fluctuations in donations as unlike other programmes the children in the care of the Igoda Children's Village are vulnerable and the charity has a duty of care to them.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

### 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.

Fundraising relies on volunteers and is therefore erratic. We aim to reserve enough financing to cover the running costs of the Childrens village for a year.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Jane Fox

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Treasurer

Date

17/6/25



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Orphans in the Wild

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period start date  
01/01/2024

To

Period end date  
31/12/2024

### Section A Receipts and payments

	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>					
Donations	27,161	-	-	27,161	39,009
Interest	260	-	-	260	624
Gift Aid	4,202	-	-	4,202	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>31,623</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,623</b>	<b>39,633</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>31,623</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,623</b>	<b>39,633</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Projects	24,362	-	-	24,362	15,000
Admin	65	-	-	65	50
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>24,427</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,427</b>	<b>15,050</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Unit Trust	30,000	-	-	30,000	180,000
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>180,000</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>54,427</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,427</b>	<b>195,050</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 22,804</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 22,804</b>	<b>- 155,417</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>41,178</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,178</b>	<b>196,595</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>18,374</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,374</b>	<b>41,178</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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	7,298	-	-
	Savings Account	11,076	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>18,374</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>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Unit Trust		210,000	235,568
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	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	
		Jane Fox	17/06/2025	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

ORPHANS IN THE WILD

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 DECEMBER 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

1113719

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date: 17 June 2025

Name:

ANDREW DONALDSON

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

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