

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005.

Structure, governance and management

The Charity was established by a constitution adopted on 1 May 2006 and is a registered charity with registration number 1115081.

The trustees who served during the year were:

Jamie Belnikoff
Darren Belnikoff
Michelle Belnikoff
Richard Bussy
Martin Gaunt
Ben Cummings
Robert Palmer

The Charity's Registered Office is situated at:

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Essex
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Trustees use their own network of contacts to identify suitable candidates possessing the necessary knowledge and skills to act as trustees of the Charity.

Trustees are recruited on the basis of their existing relevant knowledge.

Information relating to the Charity's legal status, finances and activities are provided in advance of appointment. Trustees are expected to identify their training needs and to take measures to ensure these needs are met.

The Charity's Constitution provides for a minimum of three trustees and no maximum. The Board of Trustees may, from time to time, appoint any person as a member of the Board either to fill a casual vacancy or by way of addition to the Board, subject to the provisions of the Charity's Constitution. Any person so appointed shall retain office only until the next Annual General Meeting, but shall be eligible for re-election. At the Annual General Meeting in every year, each trustee shall retire, but is eligible for re-election.

The Charity's day to day activities are administered by the trustees, as the Charity employs no staff. The Board sets the Charity's policy and meets on a regular basis to review administration, finance, development, planning and other related matters.

The Charity's Constitution gives the trustees power to apply the funds of the Charity to advance the education of pupils at all Integrated Community Centres for Employable Skills (ICCES) in the Ashanti Region, Ghana by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for vocational education. The trustees identify projects they wish to support, maintain regular contact with the students and teachers at ICCES centres and are responsible for the consideration and authorisation of grants made by the Charity.

Risk statement

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Objectives and activities

Onechild Ghana's objective is to advance the education of the pupils at all ICCES centres in the Ashanti region (TVET), Ghana by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for vocational education.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing Onechild Ghana's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

Onechild Ghana believes that education, training and skills are fundamental in alleviating poverty in developing countries and help young adults build a future for themselves.

Working directly with the local population, the Charity raises money to fulfil its goals:

- To enable children to go to school;
- To improve the quality of education in developing countries;
- To help students acquire essential skills to develop their own communities;
- To empower local schools enabling them to help themselves

The Charity provides grants across the following strands of activity to achieve its objective:

Regional Office Support

Facilitating the running of ICCES centres across the Ashanti region by supporting the administration of the regional office in Kumasi headed by Daniel Amoh.

Centre infrastructure

Investing in ICCES centre infrastructure such as student hostels, workshops and classrooms. Building accommodation blocks means that students have a safe environment to live in and allows centres to spend their school fees on educational resources. New classrooms and workshops give the students the educational facilities to learn in.

Centre income generation

Onechild Ghana supports projects that help the schools generate income for themselves, which helps them become less reliant on outside donations. For example – the charity has previously helped installed school farms, established a mobile phone repair course and a breadmaking course. Students learn valuable employable skills whilst also helping to generate an income for the school.

IT Projects

Where there is a need, Onechild Ghana continues to support IT projects at the schools we support, equipping students and teachers with essential skills to succeed in today's world.

Achievements and performance

During the year, Onechild secured £25,997 of incoming resources. This income came from several sources including monthly and one-off donations, Facebook fundraisers and grant making organisations

During the year, the Charity made grants to projects in accordance with its objects amounting to £22,136.

An analysis of the main grants made during the period is set out below:

Renovation of dress making workshop - £2,423.50

A grant making organisation donated funds to renovate the dress making workshop at our school in Tetrefu. The renovated workshop now provides an excellent learning environment for students to study in.

Provision of beds for students - £4,072

A grant making organisation donated funds to purchase bunk beds for students at our school in Ejuramen. Students previously had to sleep on flimsy mattresses on the floor – meaning the project has significantly improved the accommodation facilities for students who need to lodge on site at the school.

Student packs - £6,627

A grant making organisation donated funds to purchase essential items for students to use as part of their school day (notepads, stationery, calculator etc). Many families were unable to pay for these items, meaning students lacked the basic essentials to study.

Toilet Block - £3,773.50

A grant making organisation donated funds to build a brand new toilet block at our school in Baworo. The school had dilapidated pit latrines that were not fit for purpose – and with student numbers growing, the need became increasingly urgent. This was the first part payment towards the toilet block.

Provision of desks for students - £5,023.50

Onechild Ghana provided funds to purchase desks for students to use across a mix of centres. Due to the increasing number of students, there was a lack of desks for students to use. Our donation has addressed this urgent need.

Financial review

The Statement of Financial Activities set out in the accounts shows how the Charity's incoming resources have been expended in the year ended 31 December 2023.

Total incoming resources amounted to £25,997, which comprises individual donations and donations from grant making organisations.

Resources expended amounted to £22,136 with £21,920 defrayed in making grants and £216 as payment to JustGiving. The resulting surplus for the year was £3,861. The statement of assets and liabilities set out in the accounts shows the financial position of the Charity at 31 December 2023.

Current assets are represented by cash at bank of £22,404 which is represented by the closing balance on the Charity's funds.

The Charity relies very much on the financial support of its donors – as well as all of our individual supporters and everyone who has supported our fundraising events. We are hugely grateful to every single one of our supporters and we would like to express our thanks for their ongoing support, commitment and belief in our vision.

Onechild Ghana is committed to using its resources in pursuit of its charitable objects. It is also committed to maintaining a level of reserves that is prudent to meet on-going liabilities, sufficient to ensure that all grant commitments can be met and to protect the long-term future of its activities. The trustees consider that the closing unrestricted funds are adequate for its size of activities at the year end.

On behalf of the board of trustees

Jamie Bankall

Trustee

Dated: ...

Plans for the future

In 2024, Onechild Ghana's fundraising strategy will be similar to previous years and will focus on securing monthly donations, developing partnerships with grant making organisations and completing outstanding projects.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

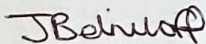
The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the board of trustees



Jamie Belnikoff

Trustee

Dated: 11/09/2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Onechild Ghana

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

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	3,071	22,926	-	25,997	6,755
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,071	22,926	-	25,997	6,755
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,071	22,926	-	25,997	6,755
A3 Payments					
Printing, postage, office running costs	-	-	-	-	-
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Other charges	-	-	-	-	360
Fundraising costs	216	-	-	216	216
Food	-	-	-	-	-
IT Costs	-	-	-	-	-
Refunds	-	-	-	-	-
Donations to projects	5,024	16,896	-	21,920	15,441
Covid costs	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	5,240	16,896	-	22,136	16,017
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	5,240	16,896	-	22,136	16,017
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,169	6,030	-	3,861	- 9,262
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	15,316	3,227	-	18,543	27,805
Cash funds this year end	13,147	9,257	-	22,404	18,543

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	Cash at bank	13,147	9,257	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	13,147	9,257	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				
B2 Other monetary assets				
B3 Investment assets				
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
B5 Liabilities				

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature: J Belnigg Print Name: JAMIE BELNIGG Date of approval: 11.09.2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Onechild Ghana

On accounts for the year
ended

31/12/2023

Charity no
(if any)

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 year ended 31/12/2023.

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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:

Date: 30/08/2024

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