



Annual Accounts and Report  
for the year ending

31 March 2023

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**The Kabanda Trust**  
**Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2023**

**Full name** The Kabanda Trust

**Registered charity number** 1115939

**Principal address**

Trentham Mews Medical Centre  
Eastwick Crescent  
Trentham  
Stoke on Trent  
ST4 8XP

**Trustees**

Dr Gordon Thomas (Chair)  
Mrs Joanne McGuinness  
Mr Paul McGuinness (Treasurer)  
Dr Jane Parker  
Mrs Sue Thomas  
Mr Richard Woollacott

**Bankers**

The National Westminster Bank PLC  
Market Street  
Longton  
Stoke on Trent  
ST3 2HW

ABSA (formerly Barclays Uganda Ltd now Amalgamated Banks of South Africa)  
Kampala Road  
Kampala  
Uganda

**Independent Examiner**

Mr Michael Davis

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**GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

The charity is operated under the rules of its trust adopted May 2005, and as amended by trust deed dated July 2012. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called under clause 15 of the deed.

**METHODS ADOPTED FOR THE RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEES**

New trustees are appointed by invitation. In selecting individuals for appointment as trustees, the trustees have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee is appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called under Clause 15 of the trust deed.

**AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The aims and objectives are:

1. To advance the education of the pupils at Rock of Joy Children's Centre, Lungujja, Uganda (RoJ) and other associated schools by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities and equipment for education at the schools.
2. To preserve and protect the health of the children attending Rock of Joy Children's Centre (RoJ) and other associated schools by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities support services and equipment not normally provided by the state authorities. To advance the education of the public in healthcare in the Lungujja and Nansana districts by appropriate means.
3. The relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually of people living in the Nansana and Lungujja districts of Uganda by making grants of money for providing or paying for items, services or facilities for the relief of the sick/poor either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods, services or scholarships for secondary schools.

**SUMMARY OF THE MAIN ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The Trustees are meeting their public benefit obligation by supporting and developing the education and healthcare of the pupils attending primary school at Rock of Joy Children's Centre by assisting with and providing facilities and equipment for education and healthcare at the school.

**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

After a gap of three years due to Covid 19, our trustees, Gordon and Sue Thomas, were able carry out a governance and monitoring visit in November 2022. They were very pleased to see that, through the dedicated efforts and hard work of Pastor Steve Kimbowa and his team, the school had come through the most challenging effects of Covid in a very positive way. Despite the difficulties caused by the restrictions imposed on the school during their strict lockdowns, repairs and modifications had been made to the school buildings and a new kitchen and dining room had been constructed.

As well as meeting their need for such new structures these had helped them meet the requirements of their school inspectors and provide a much-needed large hall for extra-circular activities. This also allows them to apply for a licence to be an examination centre for which they will receive income as other schools use their facilities at exam times. Gordon and Sue were delighted to officially open the building.

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Whilst some members of the teaching staff had left during covid times, several new appointments had been made. This included a new headteacher who the trustees were pleased to see was encouraging and supporting the Safeguarding program that we had introduced prior to Covid. This was being enthusiastically developed his staff supported by a group of elected pupils.

Following covid, children had been slow to return to school but many were undernourished and with longer term illness. It was encouraging to hear that the school Nurse and caring school staff had helped to provide considerable support with their education and healthcare as they resumed their schooling.

We were disappointed to see that despite their efforts to keep class sizes around 30, pupil numbers had risen. This was because post covid the Ugandan Education Authorities insisted that schools took every child who applied. As RoJ were not able to refuse children wanting to study and class sizes increased significantly.

Despite the challenges that living in extreme poverty places on many of the children who attend RoJ, they continue to achieve excellent results in the Primary Leaving Exams (PLEs) and are now attracting families who can afford to pay to access the quality teaching that the school is providing.

The additional number of pupils has meant that the proportion of fees paid by those who can afford them has increased and is helping to relieve the financial strain on the school. With our support, they continue to provide at least one third of places free to children whose families cannot afford to pay whilst a significant number received partial bursaries.

Although their secondary schooling was severely disrupted by Covid the young people who receive a secondary education through our Rock Star program are continuing to shine. During their visit the trustees met with one of the young men who had recently qualified as a dentist and who came to the school to encourage our current Rock Stars to aim high. Those who have taken O & A levels this year are awaiting places for midwifery and nursing training as well as others moving to vocational courses. We are particularly proud of the achievement of another young man from a very needy Lunguja family who received a 4-year scholarship to study Mechanical Engineering in Japan!

During their stay Gordon and Sue attended a post covid service of Thanksgiving and were humbled to meet with and hear from many individuals and families who had been supported by the "Food Bank" type program that we had funded during covid. The efforts of all at RoJ who provided practical support as well as care to pregnant mothers had undoubtedly saved lives and resulted in overwhelming gratitude from the community and its officials in Lunguja.

Our trustees visited the coffee farm in the Masaka district which has been established, at considerable cost, by our friends from the "*Rock of Joy Trust*" (charity reg no.1121659) based in Heswall. Their aim is for coffee to create a sustainable source of income for the two schools that they support. This provided much food-for-thought and information which will allow us to consider the practicalities of a similar project in the future should funds allow.

#### **LONG TERM AIMS**

The Trustees continue with their long-term aim for Rock of Joy to be a self-supporting school - housed in permanent buildings.

The Covid 19 pandemic has raised several questions about the ongoing viability of the school buses as a means for creating income and securing future stability. We will continue to explore this with Pastor Steve and others. Drawing on the experience of the "*Rock of Joy Trust*" (charity reg no.1121659) based in Heswall, We will continue to explore the use of coffee as a means of creating a sustainable income source.

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Whilst our base of regular givers provides us with a consistent monthly income which is transferred quarterly to RoJ, we recognise that the financial challenges that continue to be faced by many have meant that our regular income has again reduced during the year, a trend that is likely to continue.

**MONITORING AND BANKING IN UGANDA**

Joy Nakawala continues as our paid administrator and supports our work at ROJ.

We continue to be grateful to our lawyer, Edward Sekabanja, for his advice and help with overseeing withdrawals from our Ugandan bank accounts.

**THE CHARITY'S POLICY ON RESERVES**

The trust aims to have sufficient funds held in reserve to allow for a 'Rock of Joy Contingency' to allow for up to twelve months payments to the school. We now endeavour to hold larger amounts of money in our Uganda currency account to take maximum advantage of the exchange rate and higher interest rates offered in Uganda.

**COMMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*As well as the Harding Trust and the Criffel Charitable Trust we are extremely grateful to members of Bingley Baptist Church, Christchurch Heworth, Herne Hill Churches, Trentham Parish Church and Wolstanton Rotary Club for their ongoing long-term support.*

*We would like to thank all those individuals who have again given so generously to benefit the children in Uganda. Thank you again to those who have enabled us to increase the value of their gift by reclaiming Gift Aid.*

*Rock of Joy School remains a Place of Hope for the children who attend the school as well as for their families who are supported and encouraged by the educational opportunities and practical care they receive.*

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed *Gordon Thomas* Date: 28 Jan 2024

Name Gordon R W Thomas Position Chairman



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

**The Kabanda Trust**

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

**Charity no  
(if any)**

**1115939**

**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

**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<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**Name:**

**Michael E. Davis**

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

**FMCA, CGMA, FCMI**

**Address:**

**150 Werburgh Drive, Trentham**

**Stoke-on-Trent**

**ST4 8LQ**

The Kabanda Trust  
Receipts and Payments Account  
For year ending 31st March 2023

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>Receipts</u>		£	£	£	£
<u>Voluntary Income</u>					
General	1	30,772		30,772	33,722
					-
Rock of Joy: School Support			10598	10,598	19,640
Health Projects			250	250	180
Hardship			1,200	1,200	11,706
Secondary School			6,642	6,642	6,922
Total Voluntary Income		30,772	18,690	49,462	72,170
				-	
				-	
Income Tax recoverable		8,270		8,270	10,833
				-	-
<u>Activities for Generating Funds</u>					-
Bus Income					-
<u>Income from Assets</u>				-	
Bank Interest		297		297	130
TOTAL INCOME		39,339	18,690	58,029	83,133
<u>Payments</u>					
<u>Charitable Activities</u>					
Rock of Joy School	2	-	40,317	40,317	43,025
Health Project			3,514	3,514	1,439
Hardship Support			2,630	2,630	16,264
Secondary School Scholarships			8,504	8,504	3,695
UK Expenses	3a	1,599	-	1,599	1,017
Uganda Expenses	3b	5,165	-	5,165	3,042
		6,764	54,965	61,729	68,482
Funds bought forward		64,480	6,620	71,100	56,449
Excess/(Deficiency) of Receipts over Payments		32,575	(36,275) -	3,700	14,651
Transfer of Funds	7	(33,293)	33,293		
Funds carried Forward		63,762	3,638	67,400	71,100

The Kabanda Trust  
Balance Sheet  
as at 31st March 2023

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>Current Assets</u>			
UK Bank Accounts			
Current Account		308	232
Reserve Account		1,562	2,848
Bonus Saver Account		45,483	40,028
Business Reserve Account		17	127
Uganda Bank accounts			
Barclays Bank Uganda-AWAMU -Currency		10,768	14,487
Barclays Bank Uganda-AWAMU -Sterling		1,320	1,360
Total Cash at Banks		59,458	59,082
Debtors and Prepayme	4	8,270	12,018
Total Current Assets		67,728	71,100
<u>Less Liabilities</u>			
<u>Creditors</u>		328	-
Total assets less liabilities		67,400	71,100



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**1. Voluntary Income**

Source and Appropriation

	Regular Giving		Donations		Total	Total
		Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
General Funding	10,785		19,987		30,772	33,722
Rock of Joy:-School Support		10,120		478	10,598	19,640
Health projects		180		70	250	180
Hardship		1,200			1,200	11,706
Secondary School		6,642			6,642	6,922
					-	-
	10,785	18,142	19,987	548	49,462	72,170

**2. Rock of Joy School Expenditure**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Capitation		17,868	17,868	21,545
School Support		17,245	17,245	1,315
Building		<b>5,204</b>	<b>5,204</b>	<b>21,457</b>
	-	40,317	40,317	44,317

**3. Other Payments**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
5a. <u>UK Expenses</u>				
Bank Fees and Charges	159		159	225
Postage, Stationery & Admin	1,224		1,224	576
Fundraising costs	216		216	216
	1,599		1,599	1,017
5b. <u>Uganda Expenses</u>				
Bank Fees & Charges	32		32	17
Salary and staff Expenses	3,825		3,825	1,796
Legal and Professional Fees	1,308		1,308	1,229
	5,165	-	5,165	3,042

Administration is provided voluntarily within the UK with occasional paid support. All visits by the Trustees and UK administrator to Uganda are funded entirely by themselves.

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All Gift Aid receipts are allocated to the General Fund to be used, at the discretion of the Trustees, to fulfil the objectives of the Trust & to meet operational costs.

**4. Debtors**

Amounts falling due in less than one year  
Prepayments

2023	2022
£	£
7,500	10,833
-	978
7,500	11,811

**5. Creditors**

Amounts falling due in less than 1 year

2023	2022
£	£
329	
-	
329	-

**6. Contingent Liabilities**

At the end of the year the Trustees had authorised expenditure of £5,000 to complete the Building and Equipping of the new Kitchen and Dining facilities.

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**7. Summary of Funds**

	Opening Balance	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>					
General Fund	44,480	39,370	(6,764)	-33,293	43,793
<u>Designated Funds</u>					
Rock of Joy Contingency	20,000				20,000
Total unrestricted funds	64,480	39,370	(6,764)	(33,293)	63,793
<u>Restricted Funds</u>					
Rock of Joy: School Support		10,598	(40,317)	29,719	
Health Project	1,120	250	(3,514)	2,144	
Hardship Support		1,200	(2,630)	1,430	
Secondary School Support	5,500	6,642	(8,504)		3,638
Total restricted funds	6,620	18,690	(54,965)	33,293	<b>3,638</b>
Total Funds	71,100	58,060	(61,729)		<b>67,431</b>

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**Purposes of Funds**

**Designated Funds**

□ *Rock of Joy School Contingency Fund*

The trustees have designated a portion of unrestricted reserves to this contingency fund. In the event of the charity experiencing a decline in funding they will be able to support the educational needs of Rock of Joy school in Uganda for a year.

**Restricted Funds**

□ *Rock of Joy School*

At Rock of Joy, we provide free schooling for most children and whatever is needed for the day to day running of the school. This includes a free school meal, the provision of uniforms, books and classroom equipment. We raise money to purchase vital vehicles for Rock of Joy School. These run as part of the public transport system in Uganda and earn income which allows them to pay their teachers' salaries.

□ *Building Construction "Building for the Future"*

At Rock of Joy we are undertaking a building program to replace temporary wooden structures with permanent brick classrooms. Any money given for building will be used to further this program. We may also designate other monies to this fund.

**N.B.** From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 the "Rock of Joy" and the "Building Construction" Funds were united to form a single unified "Rock of Joy" Fund. This Restricted Fund embraces all aspects of the school, vehicles and property activities and better reflects the current circumstances and the provision of these services and activities.

□ *Health projects*

We employ a School Nurse at Rock of Joy. Her role is to provide free healthcare, health education and health promotion to all the children and staff at the school. She also provides support, advice and some healthcare to parents and families of the children attending Rock of Joy School. Donations to this fund help towards the cost of her salary, rent of the building where she is based, health expenses such as medicines, vaccinations, treatment at hospital or other clinics as well as the purchase of mosquito nets and other health needs.

□ *Hardship Support*

This fund allows us to provide relief of financial hardship. Donations to this fund educational fees for the orphaned children of Vance Kabanda and a locally managed Community Fund in Lungujja which provides food, medicines and support for vulnerable families in crisis.

□ *Secondary School Sponsorship*

We aim to provide 5 places at Secondary school each year for children graduating from Rock of Joy children's Centre. Donations to this fund allow fees for specific children to be paid with the children's requirements and expenses overseen by a Management Committee based at Rock of Joy.

**Trustees' remuneration**

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.