



Annual Accounts and Report
for the year ending

31 March 2025

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Full name

The Kabanda Trust

Registered charity number

1115939

Principal address

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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
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ST3 2HW

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

Unfortunately, due to major illness our trustees have again not been able to visit Uganda during this year. This has also meant that administration and contact with our supporters has been at the minimum needed to maintain our work. However, regular contact was continued with the Rock of Joy via email and online meetings.

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We were pleased that this year our income allowed us to be able to fund a replacement bus, one of the vital sources of income for the school.

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.

We have encouraged this development as having a number of pupils who are able to pay a proportion of fees, as well as the funding we provide, means that 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.

We continue to provide quarterly payments to RoJ which help provide all that is needed for the day to day running of the school, the health project and their community fund.

The young people who receive a secondary education through our Rock Star program are continuing to shine and we are proud of their achievements in higher education and in securing on-going employment.

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 Trustees have designated funds for the completion of a building housing classrooms which continues to wait for formal planning consent.

We continue to discuss with RoJ future sources of income to enable them to be self-supporting and continue to review the income from our school buses and other transport options as a potential way forward.

Since Covid 19 our donations have decrease and whilst our base of regular givers provides us with a relatively consistent monthly income, which is transferred quarterly to RoJ, we recognise that financial challenges are likely to continue. To allow for this we continue to hold a Contingency Fund which will enable us to support RoJ for a year should the need arise.

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.

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THE CHARITY'S POLICY ON RESERVES

The trustees aim 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 bank accounts to take maximum advantage of the exchange rate and higher interest rates offered in Uganda.

COMMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We continue to be grateful for the long-term support from members of Wolstanton Rotary Club, both the Harding Trust and Criffell Charitable Trusts, as well as from Herne Hill Churches and Trentham Parish Church.

We are extremely grateful to 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  Date: 5. 2. 2026

Name Gordon R.W. Thomas Position Chair

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**Independent examiner's report on the
accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Kabanda Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1115939

Set out on pages

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**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 to:

- 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 statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 (other than that disclosed below *)

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.

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

Signed:

31st January 2026

Name:

Michael E Davis

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

FCMA, CGMA, FCMI.

Address:

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Receipts and Payments Account						
For year ending 31st March 2025						
			<u>Note</u>	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	
				£	£	
Receipts						
	<u>Voluntary Income</u>					
	General	1		20,113		20,113
						-
	Rock of Joy: School Support				18,193	18,193
	Health Projects				180	180
	Hardship					-
	Secondary School				6,842	6,842
						-
	Total Voluntary Income			20,113	25,215	45,328
						-
	Income Tax recoverable			7,023		7,023
						-
	<u>Income from Assets</u>					-
	Bank Interest			860		860
						-
	TOTAL INCOME			27,996	25,215	53,211
						54,398
Payments						
	Charitable Activities					
	Rock of Joy School	2		13,734	19,419	33,153
	Health Project				3,183	3,183
	Community & Hardship Support				2,537	2,537
	Secondary School Scholarships			1,879	6,237	8,116
	UK Expenses	3a		301	-	301
	Uganda Expenses	3b		5,459	-	5,459
				21,373	31,376	52,749
	Funds bought forward			71,079	2,304	73,383
	Excess of Receipts over Payments			6,623	-6,161	462
	Transfer of Funds	6				
	Funds carried Forward			77,702	- 3,857	73,845

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Balance Sheet						
as at 31st March 2025						
			Note		<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
					<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Current Assets</u>						
	UK Bank Accounts					
		Current Account			340	206
		Reserve Account			2,407	2,871
		Bonus Saver Account			48,474	53,493
		Business Reserve Account			77	51
	Uganda Bank accounts					
		Barclays Bank Uganda-AWAMU -Currency			15,720	7,892
		Barclays Bank Uganda-AWAMU -Sterling			5,355	770
		Total Cash at Banks			72,373	65,283
		Debtors and Prepayments	4		1,464	8,303
		Total Current Assets			73,837	73,586
		Total assets less liabilities			73,837	73,586

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1. Voluntary Income

Source and Appropriation

	Regular Giving		Donations		Total	Total
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
General Funding	12,668		7,445		20,113	21,305
Rock of Joy:-School Support		8,073		10,120	18,193	18,463
Health projects				180	180	180
Community & Hardship					-	1,200
Secondary School		200		6,642	6,842	6,037
					-	-
	12,668	8,273	7,445	16,942	45,328	47,185

2. Rock of Joy School Expenditure

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
Capitation		17,792	17,792	17,404
School Support	671	1,627	2,298	4,091
Buses	13,063		13,063	-
Dining Room Furniture			-	4,425
	13,734	19,419	33,153	25,920

3. Other Payments

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
3a UK Expenses				
Bank Fees and Charges	85		85	374
Postage, Stationery & Admin			-	271
Fundraising costs	216		216	216
	301		301	861
3b Uganda Expenses				
Bank Fees & Charges	66		66	20
Salary and staff Expenses	4,119		4,119	2,561
Legal and Professional Fees	1,274		1,274	3,174
Travel			-	879
	5,459	-	5,459	6,634

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Notes to Accounts (Continued)							
4. Debtors							
					2025	2024	
		Amounts falling due in less than one year			477	7,361	
		Prepayments			987	942	
					1,464	8,303	
5. Contingent Liabilities							
		The Trustees had previously agreed to provide approximately £25,000 for the completion of the upstairs to the Classroom Block					
6. Other Comments							
	a)	Administration is provided voluntarily within the UK with occasional paid support. All visits by the Trustees and UK administrator to Uganda are funded by themselves.					
	b)	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.					

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Notes to Accounts (Continued)

7. Summary of Funds						
		Opening Balance	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Closing Balance
		£	£	£	£	£
	Unrestricted Funds					
	General Fund	46,079	27,996	- 21,373	- 5,566	47,136
	Designated Funds					
	Rock of Joy Contingency	25,000				25,000
		-				-
		-				-
	Total unrestricted funds	71,079	27,996	- 21,373	- 5,566	72,136
	Restricted Funds					
	Rock of Joy: School Support		18,193	- 19,419	1,226	-
	Health Project		180	- 3,183	3,003	-
	Community & Hardship Support	1,200	-	- 2,537	1,337	-
	Secondary School Support	1,104	6,842	- 6,237	-	1,709
				-		
	Total restricted funds	2,304	25,215	- 31,376	5,566	1,709
	Total Funds	73,383	53,211	- 52,749	-	73,845

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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 whatever is needed for the day to day running of the school. The fund therefore embraces all aspects of the schools' needs. As well as school meals, uniforms, books and classroom equipment we fund the purchase and upkeep of vehicles for Rock of Joy School which run as part of the public transport system in Uganda and earn income which pay their staff salaries. We continue to fund permanent brick classrooms and the development of their property.

We may also designate other monies to this fund.

- *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 through a locally managed Community Fund in Lungujja which supports for vulnerable individuals and 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.