

RAINBOWS4CHILDREN (UK) TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1116387

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2006-10-16

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1) TO RELIEVE POVERTY AND SUFFERING IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA AND PARTICULARLY (BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY) ETHIOPIA (THE "REGION") THROUGH THE SUPPORT AND PROVISION OF AID FOR CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON PROJECTS RELATING TO HEALTHCARE (INCLUDING THE EQUIPPING OF HEALTH FACILITIES SUCH AS HOSPITALS, CLINICS AND HEALTH CENTERS), AND SELF-HELP PROJECTS SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITIES (SUCH AS SECURING WATER SUPPLIES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS), BUT EXCLUDING SUPPORT FOR ANY COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES OR PROJECTS WHICH ARE OF A PURELY POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR PACIFIST NATURE;2) TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE REGION IN PARTICULAR THROUGH PROJECTS SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS, AND THE PROVISION OF TEACHING AND EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE;3) TO RELIEF POVERTY AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AMONG BENEFICIARIES IN THE REGION, BY PROVIDING OR PROCURING, AMONGST OTHER THINGS, FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT FOR THE WELFARE AND HEALTH OF BENEFICIARIES, WHO BY REASON OF THEIR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS ARE IN NEED OF SUCH ASSISTANCE.

Activities: Sponsorship of disadvantaged students in Ethiopia. Construction of the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Ethiopia. Provision of books and equipment for the School. Construction and operation of a pilot technical training centre: Nicolas College. During the on-going civil war in the country, providing humanitarian support to staff, students and their families.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA AND PARTICULARLY (BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY) ETHIOPIA
- Ethiopia

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£120,257	£162,748	-	-
2024-12-31	£150,025	£120,121	-	-
2023-12-31	£172,088	£20,197	-	-
2022-12-31	£133,805	£38,620	-	-
2021-12-31	£153,880	£40,056	-	-
2020-12-31	£60,935	£100,056	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Richard Max Robinson	Chair	2005-10-12
Alison Henderson		2022-04-29
George David Potts		2020-02-01
Kathryn Warburton Robinson		2005-10-12
Philip Raymond Stockbridge		2017-01-10
Walter Brown		2025-04-01

RAINBOWS4CHILDREN (UK) TRUST

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Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.01.2025 to 31.12.2025

Charity name: Rainbows4children UK Trust

Charity registration number: 1116387

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>1) to relieve poverty and suffering in sub-Saharan Africa and particularly (but not exclusively) Ethiopia (the "Region") through the support and provision of aid for construction and development projects with particular emphasis on projects relating to healthcare (including the equipping of health facilities such as hospitals, clinics and health centres), and self-help projects supporting local communities (such as securing water supplies and the development of small agricultural projects), but excluding support for any commercial activities or projects which are of a purely political, religious or pacifist nature;</p> <p>(2) to promote and support the advancement of education in the Region in particular through projects supporting the establishment and support of schools, and the provision of teaching and education for children and young people;</p> <p>(3) to relieve poverty and financial hardship among beneficiaries in the Region, by providing or procuring, amongst other things, financial assistance and support for the welfare and health of beneficiaries, who by reason of their social and economic conditions are in need of such assistance.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Fund-raising takes place in the UK to raise money for the projects, which are currently in Ethiopia only. Most of the donations received from UK citizens are from individuals who sponsor a child to attend the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Tigray, Ethiopia. The biggest donor in 2025 supported supplementary food due to the continuing food crisis after the Civil (Tigray) war. The project funds in 2025 have been used for 2 main purposes: to pay the school staff and to provide training materials, food and medical assistance for the staff and the</p>

		<p>school children.</p> <p>The Nicolas Robinson School continues to educate 1400 students from kindergarten (aged 3.5 years) to graduation at Grade 12, aged 18 years) On a temporary basis, it has extended this commitment, and 1,800 children are being educated. This is seen as a temporary situation until other schools can reopen.</p> <p>The building work of the essential buildings to run the school is now complete. Due to instability in Ethiopia, we will not make major capital investments in the short term.</p> <p>The cessation of hostilities was signed in November 2022 and school resumed in early March 2023. Since then, education has been running intensively with very short breaks between semesters. This has enabled 3 years of education to be completed in less than 2 years. As a result, 5 year-groups of grade 8 have passed their regional exams, with 100% pass rate. Four batches of grade 12 students took their exams in this period and we achieved an average 85% university pass rate. (National average is about 6% in same period.)</p> <p>The staff were trained in coping with their trauma and, also, to help the children recover from the stress and trauma of war and family bereavements.</p> <p>The school continues to grow vegetables and other crops to provide better nutrition. All monies raised go directly to further the aims of the Trust. No trustees receive any remuneration. There are no employees of the Trust.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have read and understood the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit are in compliance. The activity in the continuing education and care of children's health and well-being demonstrates this.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	All monies raised go directly to further the aims of the Trust. No trustees receive any remuneration. There are no employees of the Trust.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers travel to Ethiopia to help in the school either at their own expense or supported directly by the founders, Max and

		<p>Kathryn Robinson. Exceptionally, in 2021-2023 there were no volunteers at the school due to the ongoing civil war in the region and consequent security issues for the volunteers. One volunteer from Sweden visited in November 2024. Kathryn and Max Robinson visited twice in 2023, twice in 2024 and twice in 2025, but the security situation is difficult and the UK FCO has currently (Q1 2026) put do not travel in the travel advisory.</p> <p>Normally, volunteers visit the school on a regular basis to help train the teachers and management staff. All volunteers are DBS checked (or equivalent from their country of residence) and must sign that they are in compliance with the school's child safety policy as well as sign a contract for their work.</p>

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>The Nicolas Robinson School continues to educate 1400 students from kindergarten (aged 3.5 years) to graduation at Grade 12, aged 18 years) On a temporary basis, it has extended this commitment, and 1,800 children are being educated in 2025. This is seen as a temporary situation until other schools can reopen.</p> <p>The building work of the essential buildings to run the school is now complete. Due to instability in Ethiopia, we will not make major capital investments in the short term.</p> <p>The cessation of hostilities was signed in November 2022 and school resumed in early March 2023. Since then, education has been running intensively with very short breaks between semesters. This has enabled 3 years of education to be completed in less than 2 years. As a result, 5 year-groups of grade 8 have passed their regional exams, with 100% pass rate. Four batches of grade 12 students took their exams in this period and we achieved an average 85% university pass rate. (National average is about 6% in same period.)</p> <p>Rainbows4children, through sponsors, now helps the education of about 650 students at the school and a further 90 who have gone on to study at University.</p> <p>School graduates are continuing to achieve success overseas. Successes in 2025 included full scholarships to African Science Academy, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, US International University in Africa (Nairobi), United World College,</p>

		<p>University of Pretoria. 67 students have gone to Ethiopian Universities, including 10 to Addis Ababa.</p> <p>The training college reopened in January 2025. Courses offered included cooking skills, various ICT courses and entrepreneurship training for all the students. More than 100 students have graduated to date.</p>
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of a minimum of one years' running cost of the school available (in the bank accounts) at all times, so that if funds cannot be raised in a particular year due to unforeseen circumstances, the school can still function and the staff of the school can be paid their salaries.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Any cash reserves are invested in the deposit account at the bank, generating bank interest. No risk investments are made with the funds. As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of one years' running cost of the school available (in the bank accounts) at all times, so that if funds cannot be raised in a particular year due to unforeseen circumstances, the school can still function, and the staff of the school can be paid their salaries.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£ 493,768
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Fundraising is mainly from private donations and regular giving. This is mainly to support the sponsorship of Ethiopian children's education and provide funds for building the school and providing the running costs of the Nicolas Robinson School.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The Trust document does not allow any investment of funds in high-risk investments, so funds are invested in a bank deposit account. No risk investments are made with the funds. As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of one years' running cost of the

		school available (in the bank accounts), at all times, so that if funds cannot be raised in a particular year due to unforeseen circumstances, the school can still function, and the staff of the school can be paid their salaries.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	If peace is not sustained in the region, there is a danger that donors lose confidence in the use of their funds, and it becomes difficult to fundraise and/or maintain the running of the school.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are nominated by one of the existing trustees, their credentials presented, and they are invited to the board if all trustees are in agreement. Trustees are preferred who have already visited to the school in Mekele or have a strong interest/connection with the region.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Rainbows4children (UK) Trust works closely with Rainbows4children Stiftung, registered in Switzerland. Funds are raised for the same purpose and The Swiss Foundation makes transfers of funds to Ethiopia to the Nicolas Robinson School bank accounts for the running costs of the school and other related activities linked to the health and well-being of students, staff and their immediate families.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Rainbows4Children (UK) Trust
Other name the charity uses	Rainbows4children, R4C
Registered charity number	1116387
Charity's principal address	16 Taunton Close Sutton Surrey SM3 9NG



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	Richard Max Robinson	President		
2	Kathryn Robinson	Secretary		
3	George Potts			
4	Philip Stockbridge			
5	Alison Burgh			
6	Walter Brown		01.04.2025 -31.12.2025	
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Richard Max Robinson	Kathryn Warburton Robinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	President & Co-founder	Secretary & Co-founder
Date	04 May 2026	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Rainbows4children (UK) Trust

1116387

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01.01.2025	To	31.12.2025
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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					
Private donations	-	102,114	-	102,114	130,915
Bank interest	8,697	-	-	8,697	9,582
Gift aid refund	9,441	-	-	9,441	9,528
Paypal donation	5	-	-	5	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	18,143	102,114	-	120,257	150,025
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,143	102,114	-	120,257	150,025
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	35	-	-	35	61
Transfers to Rainbows4Children Foundation for Mekele School project	-	160,000	-	160,000	120,000
Membership fees	-	60	-	60	60
Refund donation	-	2,653	-	2,653	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	35	162,713	-	162,748	120,121
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	35	162,713	-	162,748	120,121
Net of receipts/(payments)	18,108	60,599	-	42,491	29,904
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	75,049	461,210	-	536,259	506,355
Cash funds this year end	93,157	400,611	-	493,768	536,259

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	HSBC A/C 41459759	92,502	400,611	-
	HSBC A/C 01459740	97	-	-
	Paypal	558	-	-
	Total cash funds	93,157	400,611	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Funds with Moneycorp at year end. Transferred to Rainbows4children	-	20,000	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Richard Max Robinson	13/01/2026
	Kathryn Robinson	13/01/2026



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Rainbows 4 Children UK Trust

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1116387

Set out on pages

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(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 / 2025**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report 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: 01/05/2026

Name:

Jake Jones

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

ACA

Address:	11 Elleray Road
	Middleton, Manchester
	M24 1NY

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

RAINBOWS4CHILDREN (UK) TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1116387

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01.01.2024** Period start date To **31.12.2024** Period end date

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		<p>Sweden visited in November 2024. Kathryn and Max Robinson visited twice in 2023 and twice in 2024 for 4 weeks each time.</p> <p>Normally, volunteers visit the school on a regular basis to help train the teachers and management staff. All volunteers are DBS checked (or equivalent from their country of residence) and must sign that they are in compliance with the school's child safety policy as well as sign a contract for their work.</p>

Achievements and Performance

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>The Nicolas Robinson School continues to educate 1400 students from kindergarten (aged 3.5 years) to graduation at Grade 12, aged 18 years) On a temporary basis, it has extended this commitment, and 1,900 children are being educated. This is seen as a temporary situation until other schools are able to reopen.</p> <p>Since March 2023, education has been running intensively with very short breaks between semesters. This has enabled 3 years of education to be completed in less than 2 years. As a result, 4 year-groups of grade 8 have passed their regional exams, with 100% pass rate. Three batches of grade 12 students took their exams in this period and we achieved a 98% university pass rate. (National average is about 5%.)</p> <p>Rainbows4children, through sponsors, now helps the education of about 650 students at the school and a further 80 who have gone on to study at University.</p> <p>School graduates are continuing to achieve success overseas. Successes in 2024 included full scholarships to African Leadership Academy, African Science Academy, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, US International University in Africa (Nairobi). Others have gone to Ethiopian Universities, including 8 to Addis Ababa.</p> <p>Plans were made to reopen the training college in January 2025.</p>

Financial Review

<p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>Para 1.21</p>	<p>As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of a minimum of one years' running cost of the school available (in the bank accounts) at</p>
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Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£536,259
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are nominated by one of the other, existing trustees, their credentials presented, and they are invited to the board if all trustees are in agreement. Trustees are preferred who have already visited to the school in Mekele or have a strong interest/connection with the region.

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Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

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Other name the charity uses	Rainbows4children, R4C
Registered charity number	1116387
Charity's principal address	16 Taunton Close Sutton Surrey SM3 9NG

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	Richard Max Robinson	President		
2	Kathryn Robinson	Secretary		
3	George Potts			
4	Philip Stockbridge			
5	Alison Burgh			
6				
7				

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

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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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Richard Max Robinson	Kathryn Warburton Robinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	President & co-founder	Secretary & co-founder
Date	13 April 2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Rainbows4children (UK) Trust

1116387

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01.01.2024

To

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Private donations	-	130,915	-	130,915	156,103
Bank interest	9,582	-	-	9,582	6,255
Gift aid refund	9,528	-	-	9,528	9,730
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,110	130,915	-	150,025	172,088
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,110	130,915	-	150,025	172,088
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	61	-	-	61	62
Transfers to Rainbows4Children Foundation for Mekele School building	-	120,000	-	120,000	20,000
Membership fees	60	-	-	60	135
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	121	120,000	-	120,121	20,197
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	121	120,000	-	120,121	20,197
Net of receipts/(payments)	18,989	10,915	-	29,904	151,891
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	56,060	450,295	-	506,355	354,464
Cash funds this year end	75,049	461,210	-	536,259	506,355

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	HSBC A/C 41459759	73,607	461,210	-
	HSBC A/C 01459740	922	-	-
	Paypal	520	-	-
	Total cash funds	75,049	461,210	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Richard MaxRobinson	13/01/2025
	Kathryn Robinson	13/01/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Rainbows 4 Children UK Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1116387

Set out on pages

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(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 / 2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report 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:

31 March 2025

Name:

Jake Jones

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

MAAT, ACA

Address:

11 Elleray Road

Middleton, Manchester

RAINBOWS4CHILDREN (UK) TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1116387

Accounts



Report of the annual General Meeting of the board of Trustees Rainbows4Children (UK) Trust

Date and Time: Wednesday 8th May 2024, 1700h, Zoom link.

Present: Richard Max Robinson (President)
Kathryn Robinson
George Potts
Alison Burgh
Philip Stockbridge

Minutes

1. Presentation of the annual accounts of the Foundation for 2023.

The annual accounts have been examined by the External Independent Examiner and approved. They are ready for submission to the Charity Commission.

At the current date Rainbows4children has cash assets of approximately £ 500'000 which is in line with our policy to always have sufficient reserves to cover the Nicolas Robinson School's annual operating costs which are estimated to be £ 500'000 net in the current school year.

Rainbows4children are using Moneycorp to transfer funds to the Swiss bank accounts. Payments from Ethiopia are made from the Swiss bank account, to maintain transparency. Moneycorp takes a reduced fee for currency exchange and has worked very well.

The overall cash position is increasing. This is seen as a temporary situation, caused by several factors, the main ones being:

- a) During the war (2020-22) the budget was underspent as materials were not available and the school had to manage with reduced and rationed supplies.
- b) Salaries were paid during the war and remained at the same level throughout the war in Ethiopian birr. However, during the same period, the Ethiopian birr devalued from approx. ETB 35 to £ 1.0 to ETB 70 to £ 1.0. Salaries were doubled to compensate for this once the budget for the 2023-4 school year resumed.
- c) No capital projects were undertaken due to the instability in Ethiopia. Funds had already been raised for most of the planned projects and will be held in reserve ready for when capital investment is deemed wise.
- d) It is uncertain how many parents are able to pay full fees sustainably.
- e) It is clear that for Ethiopia to receive loans, the IMF expects the country to devalue the ETB against the USD. With this in mind, we only send funds to the school when they are needed.

Further commentary on these points were discussed during the meeting and are reported in the minutes.

2. Liabilities and financial transactions for the financial year 2023.

Background (reminder)

The war between the Ethiopian government (Prosperity Party) and the state of Tigray, represented by the Tigray Peoples' Liberation Front (TPLF), began in November 2020 with fierce fighting.



As of June 2021, the Ethiopian government imposed a blockade on Tigray. This meant that the region was not supplied with food, medical items or other materials. There were no formal banking services. There were no telephone services (landline and mobile) and no fibre optic internet. The only internet or telephone use that was possible was through the satellite connections of a few NGOs.

The Pretoria Agreement for the Cessation of Hostilities (CoH) was signed in early November 2022, two years after the start of the civil war. Implementation is very slow, and there are many concerns about the humanitarian situation in Tigray. This has resulted in people being desperate for money and theft has become widespread in the region.

Electrical power has been restored to Mekele, but it is often cut off for many hours. Phone links and mobile data work for much of the time. At the beginning of March 2023, the internet cable was restored to the Nicolas Robinson School (the line had been severed).

Private banks re-opened during 2023 and later the Commercial Bank of Ethiopia re-opened. The process was slow as major audits had to be done before they could serve the public.

Max and Kathryn visited the Wegagen bank in Mekele in June and checked that they would be able to handle bank transfers from Switzerland as we wanted to re-start the transfer of funds directly to the school account. We decided that it would be wiser to use a private bank rather than the government bank as they are less likely to block funds for political reasons. This is the biggest current threat.

The Nicolas Robinson School's bank accounts with the Commercial Bank of Ethiopia (CBE) were frozen by the federal government on 28 June 2021, meaning that the school could no longer receive or disburse funds. At that time the assets stood at approximately ETB 928,000. (£ 17,500 at the official exchange rate of that date). In July 2023, CBE released these funds to the school. Because some parents pay their fees into the existing school account at CBE it has been retained. However, most of the school's banking services are now provided by Wegagen Bank.

In the first half of 2023, banking services were still not operating. To cover the budget to the end of the school year (7 July 2023), funds were transferred through business owners who had cash assets in Mekele. They released funds to the school in exchange for transfers to family members or businesses in the USA or Europe. All transactions made under these arrangements have been documented for auditing purposes by Rainbows4children Foundation and the Nicolas Robinson School. The next transfers to pay for the school budget were made to the school's account at Wegagen Bank, Mekele in October and December 2023 in an amount of £ 85,000.

3. Project status overview

Lalibela:

In Lalibela, two students currently receive sponsorship through Rainbows4children, one of whom is sponsored by Max and Kathryn Robinson. These children will continue to receive support until they have completed their education. After that, it is not planned to sponsor any more children in Lalibela.

Nicolas Robinson School, Mekele:

War started in the Tigray region of Ethiopia on 4th November 2020 and continued until November 2022. Normal school operations resumed in late February 2023.

Food support continues to be given to students from kindergarten to grade 6, a total of about 1,000 students. Older students who are in severe difficulty also receive support. Students were given physical and mental health checks when they arrived at school after it re-opened following the war.



School staff are currently being trained on mental health issues to help themselves and the children. A local charity called “Haqi” is doing this work and the costs are being supported by a donor foundation in the UK.

Accelerated learning is being achieved with the school staff teaching students through the summer holiday period. They are achieving their target of completing 2 years of education in 18 months.

Regional exams have been taken by 2 groups of grade 8 students. 100% passed these exams and these students have now progressed to grade 9.

National exams are taken at the end of grade 12. Students that pass qualify for university entrance. Grade 12 exams were held in early October 2023 for Tigray students. 97% of the Nicolas Robinson School students achieved a pass mark enabling them to go to university. This is a major achievement - especially when set against the national (all Ethiopia) pass rate for grade 12 students of approximately 3.5% for the last 2 assessment periods.

By the end of 2023, all grade 12 Nicolas Robinson School students with the required pass mark had registered for colleges in Tigray or other regions that are considered safe for Tigrayans.

On a temporary basis the school is educating approximately 2,000 students. Many schools in Mekele are still closed due to damage sustained or because they are still occupied by Internally Displaced Persons. Some of the students’ parents pay the school fees, others are supported by Rainbows4children, especially the children of our local partners, the Tigray Disabled Veterans Association.

Sponsorship

The running costs of the Nicolas Robinson School are covered by school fees, which for 720 of the students is fully supported by student sponsorship. Some of the parents now pay school fees. We have had to double the cost of school fees in local currency, due to the devaluation of the Ethiopian birr in the last 3 years.

This chart shows the current status of our sponsored students:

No. of students	Status description
720	Students still at school – KG2 to Grade 12
43	Left the school, for various reasons, mainly because they failed their exams and refused to repeat them. Sponsors have been asked to take a substitute child for support and most have agreed.
5	Died fighting during the civil war.
8	Have not yet returned to school and are still on active service in the Tigray Defence Force
23	Passed grade 12 and are now at university (Oct 2023)
36	Were at university before the war and have continued now the universities have re-opened
8	Graduated from university during 2023.

7 sponsors left the sponsorship programme this year affecting 17 students. Some wrote to us, others have not paid their sponsorship for more than a year, despite monthly reminders. One died, another had been very ill. 3 lost their jobs.

The school has the capacity to teach 1400 students, however the NRS has recently taken on an additional 600 children who have been unable to attend their regular schools damaged during the war. Out of these 2000 students, half are sponsored by Rainbows4children, the other half pay, or are expected to pay, the school fees. This is a temporary situation, and we hope that by the start of the next school year, we will reduce the number and by summer 2025 operate again within our capacity of 1400 students and within



our financial model by which 25% of these students pay the full fee or parts of it, and 75% are sponsored either by individuals, organizations or Rainbows4children.

Nicolas College – (previously known as NYALC)

Because of the impact of Covid and the war, the college had to largely close on a temporary basis. However ongoing training has continued in computer skills for the teachers. It has also been used as a cooking and feeding centre for students. Alison provided the name of the new head of tourism in Tigray who Max and Kathryn can contact on the next school visit.

Now that a permanent ceasefire is holding, it is anticipated that the Nicolas College will play a very important role in the community with regard to equipping young people with skills to enter the workplace. This applies especially to the older students who went to fight. We are working with the school to determine where the College can be of most value in the recovery effort. One of the school management team (Tedros) has been appointed to run the revival project. We anticipate signing a Memorandum of Understanding with the local Don Bosco College to provide soft skills in support of their training programmes in automotive engineering and solar installation.

Fundraising

The annual sponsored walk was held in September 2023 at the Dow premises in Horgen. Despite many organisational changes in the supporting companies, £ 49,000 was raised for the school project. The next sponsored walk will be held on 14th September 2024.

Student Sponsorship is the most effective way to ensure the sustainability of the school, so trustees are encouraged to help us find new sponsors.

Max asked if the trustees know any Rotarians, as he has just joined a local Swiss club who fundraise for us. This might be an opportunity to expand contacts.

School visitors/volunteers

In 2023, no volunteers/visitors were able to travel to the Nicolas School due to the security situation caused by the ongoing war. Kathryn and Max visited for 2 weeks in June 2023 and 3 weeks in November-December 2023.

New projects

No further construction projects will be considered until the situation in the region stabilises. We will focus on rehabilitation of the students and staff with their education being the first priority. At a later date, we will review the opportunities for further investment.

Some maintenance costs and re-painting was done in late 2022 in preparation for the start of school. The kindergarten was built 20 years ago on soil which expands in the rain and is poor quality for building. The kindergarten floor develops a crack most years due to ground movement and this must be repaired. In the longer term the board should consider re-evaluating the kindergarten design and consider a re-build. Possibly also taking into account modern teaching methods such as Montessori when developing a better design to incorporate learning and play. This will be assessed in full, in the future, before any expenditure is proposed for approval.

Taking the school off grid by expanding the solar panel project is an important and necessary project. Phil can provide a contact who is a Freemason if Max provides more details of equipment needed.

Projects for which funds have been raised, but are currently on hold include:

English language laboratory, STEM training centre, re-equipping the computer labs and staff with updated computers.

Scholarship applications (to institutions outside Ethiopia)

One student was accepted at the African Leadership Academy in Johannesburg on a full scholarship.



Another student applied early decision to the African Leadership Academy in November 2023 and in January 2024 we heard she was accepted. She, too, has received a full scholarship and will start her studies there in August 2024.

Other top-ranked students who had graduated from the Nicolas Robinson School in previous years have been applying to universities and colleges overseas, supported by the school and Rainbows4children.

During 2023 we started a collaboration with the Tigray Professionals Network (TPN) based in the US to help us apply to US colleges. They are providing internships for some of our students to help their finances as well as technical support on their applications and using their connections as alumni of US colleges to help the students apply.

Students have offers but there are large funding gaps of \$30-40,000 per year per student. This has been the experience for all international students.

4. Expanding the Foundation board of trustees - experience sharing.

In previous meetings of the Foundation, it was agreed that the age limit for trustees should be 70.

Max and Kathryn will reach that age in approx. 2 years. They have committed to remain active as advocates, fundraisers and administrators on a voluntary basis, as 'Presidents for Life'. We are actively looking for new board members in the UK to fulfil legal requirements, preferably those with experience at the Nicolas Robinson School.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "R.M. Robinson".

Richard Max Robinson

09.05.2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathryn Robinson".

Kathryn Robinson

09.05.2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "George Potts".

George Potts

09.05.2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alison Burgh".

Alison Burgh

09.05.2024

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Philip Stockbridge

09.05.2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Rainbows4children (UK) Trust

No (if any)
1116387

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01.01.2023	To	31.12.2023
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Private donations	-	156,103	-	156,103	121,541
Bank interest	6,255	-	-	6,255	547
Gift aid refund	9,730	-	-	9,730	11,717
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	15,985	156,103	-	172,088	133,805
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,985	156,103	-	172,088	133,805
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	62	-	-	62	170
Transfers to Rainbows4Children Foundation for Mekele School building	-	20,000	-	20,000	20,000
Membership fees	135	-	-	135	50
M Gebreyohannes for food aid Mekele	-	-	-	-	18,400
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	197	20,000	-	20,197	38,620
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	197	20,000	-	20,197	38,620
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,788	136,103	-	151,891	95,185
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	40,272	314,192	-	354,464	259,279
Cash funds this year end	56,060	450,295	-	506,355	354,464

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 £
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	HSBC A/C 01459740	88	-	-
	Paypal	783	-	-
	Total cash funds	56,060	450,295	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Richard MaxRobinson	31.03.2024
	Kathryn Robinson	31.03.2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Rainbows 4 Children UK Trust

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1116387

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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 / 12 / 2023**.

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As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report 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:

14th April 2024

Name:

Jake Jones

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

MAAT, ACA

Address:

11 Elleray Road

Middleton, Manchester

M24 1NY

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

RAINBOWS4CHILDREN (UK) TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1116387

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.01.2022 Period start date To 31.12.2022 Period end date

Charity name: Rainbows4children (UK) Trust

Charity registration number: 1116387

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>(1) to relieve poverty and suffering in sub-Saharan Africa and particularly (but not exclusively) Ethiopia (the "Region") through the support and provision of aid for construction and development projects with particular emphasis on projects relating to healthcare (including the equipping of health facilities such as hospitals, clinics and health centres), and self-help projects supporting local communities (such as securing water supplies and the development of small agricultural projects), but excluding support for any commercial activities or projects which are of a purely political, religious or pacifist nature;</p> <p>(2) to promote and support the advancement of education in the Region in particular through projects supporting the establishment and support of schools, and the provision of teaching and education for children and young people;</p> <p>(3) to relieve poverty and financial hardship among beneficiaries in the Region, by providing or procuring, amongst other things, financial assistance and support for the welfare and health of beneficiaries, who by reason of their social and economic conditions are in need of such assistance.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Fund-raising takes place in the UK to raise money for the projects, which are currently in Ethiopia only. Most of the donations received from UK citizens are from individuals who sponsor a child to attend the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Tigray, Ethiopia. The biggest donor in 2022 supported supplementary food during the Civil war (November 2020-November 2022).</p> <p>The project funds in 2022 have been used for 2 main purposes: to pay the school staff and to provide food and medical assistance for the staff and the school children and their</p>

		<p>families during the civil war. The Nicolas Robinson School continues to educate 1400 students from kindergarten (aged 3.5 years) to graduation at Grade 12, aged 18 years)</p> <p>The building work of the essential buildings to run the school is now complete. In 2020 we continued to improve facilities. However formal school was suspended in mid-March due to the Covid pandemic and teachers prepared work for students at all levels as paper handouts, which were collected and distributed by family members. This continued until the end of June and resumed in October 2020. In November 2020 war broke out in the region. Education continued in Mekele until the end of November 2020 when the town was bombarded.</p> <p>Throughout 2022 the school staff prepared for the re-start of school. School restarted in February 2022 and ran until September 2022, when the town was bombarded again. The staff were trained in coping with their trauma and, also, to help the children recover from the stress and trauma of war and family bereavements.</p> <p>The school has been a feeding centre for our community of families, always helping any family in severe need.</p> <p>The school also grew vegetables and other crops to provide better nutrition. A donor supported the installation of some solar panels which were at the school, having been donated previously.</p> <p>All monies raised go directly to further the aims of the Trust. No trustees receive any remuneration. There are no employees of the Trust.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have read and understood the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit are in compliance. The activity in the continuing education and care of children's health and well-being demonstrates this

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	All monies raised go directly to further the aims of the Trust. No trustees receive any remuneration. There are no employees of the Trust.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>Volunteers travel to Ethiopia to help in the school either at their own expense or supported directly by the founders, Max and Kathryn Robinson. Exceptionally, in 2021 and 2022 there were no volunteers at the school due to the ongoing civil war in the region and consequent security issues for the volunteers.</p> <p>Normally, volunteers visit the school on a regular basis to help train the teachers and management staff. All volunteers are DBS checked and have to sign that they are in compliance with the school's child safety policy as well as sign a contract for their work.</p>
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>2022 was another exceptional year due to the civil war in the region which lasted the whole year. The focus was on education where possible, mainly by sharing books and remote learning exercises and in school teaching for 1,000 students for 6 months in 2022. The school also concentrated on the growing of food and protection of the school assets.</p> <p>The quality of the training and quality of education given by the school Rainbows4children, through sponsors, now helps the education of about 800 students at the school and a further 70 who have gone on to University.</p> <p>4 alumni of the school have won scholarships overseas. 3 are studying at US universities: Macalester College, Rochester University, Trinity College, Hartford. The fourth has been offered a scholarship at Asia Pacific University in Japan.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of one years' running cost of the school available (in the bank accounts) at all times, so that if funds cannot be raised in a particular year due to unforeseen circumstances, the school can still function and the staff of the school paid their salaries.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Any cash reserves are invested in the deposit account at the bank. No risk investments are made with the funds. As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of one years' running cost of the school available (in the bank accounts) at all times, so that if funds cannot be raised in a particular year due to unforeseen circumstances, the school can still function, and the staff of the school paid their salaries.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£354,464
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Fundraising is mainly from private donations and regular giving. This is mainly to support the sponsorship of Ethiopian children's education and provide funds for building the school and providing the running costs of the School.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The Trust document does not allow any investment of funds in high-risk investments, so funds are invested in a bank deposit account. No risk investments are made with the funds. As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of one years' running cost of the school available (in the bank accounts), at all times, so that if funds cannot be raised in a particular year due to unforeseen circumstances, the school can still function, and the staff of the school paid their salaries.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	If peace is not sustained in the region, there is a danger that donors lose confidence in the use of their funds, and it becomes difficult to fundraise and/or maintain the running of the school.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are nominated by one of the other, existing trustees, their credentials presented, and they are invited to the board if all trustees are in agreement. Trustees are preferred who have already visited to the school in Mekele or have a strong interest/connection with the region.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Rainbows4children (UK) Trust works closely with Rainbows4children Stiftung, registered in Switzerland. Funds are raised for the same purpose and The Swiss Foundation makes transfers of funds to Ethiopia to the Nicolas Robinson School bank accounts for the running costs of the school and other related activities linked to the health and well-being of students, staff and their immediate families.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Rainbows4Children (UK) Trust
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1116387
Charity's principal address	16 Taunton Close Sutton Surrey SM3 9NG

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	Richard Max Robinson	President		
2	Kathryn Robinson	Secretary		
3	George Potts			
4	Paul Reynolds		01.01.2022-18.04.2022	
5	Philip Stockbridge			
6	Alison Burgh		15.04.2022-31.12.2022	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Richard Max Robinson	Kathryn Warburton Robinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	President & co-founder	Secretary & co-founder
Date	6 th April 2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Rainbows4children (UK) Trust

1116387

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01.01.2022	To	31.12.2022
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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					
Private donations		121,541	-	121,541	125,161
Bank interest	547	-	-	547	18
Gift aid refund	11,717	-	-	11,717	6,776
Paypal Giving Fund		-	-	-	1,925
		-	-	-	-
Return from AFEX account	-	-	-	-	20,000
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,264	121,541	-	133,805	153,880
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,264	121,541	-	133,805	153,880
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	170	-	-	170	6
Transfers to Rainbows4Children Foundation for Mekele School building	-	20,000	-	20,000	40,000
SAFE (Child safety)	-	50	-	50	50
M Gebreyohannes for food aid Mekele	-	18,400	-	18,400	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	170	38,450	-	38,620	40,056
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	170	38,450	-	38,620	40,056
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,094	83,091	-	95,185	113,824
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end					145,455
Cash funds this year end	12,094	83,091	-	95,185	259,279

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

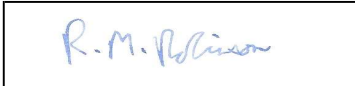

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	HSBC A/C 41459758	37,445	316,034	-
	HSBC A/C 01459740	74	-	-
	Paypal	911	-	-
	Total cash funds	38,430	316,034	-
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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		RICHARD MAX ROBINSON	06/01/2023
		KATHRYN W. ROBINSON	06/01/2023



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Rainbows 4 Children UK Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1116387

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 / 12 / 2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report 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:

5th April 2023

Name:

Jake Jones

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

MAAT

Address:

11 Elleray Road,
Middleton, Manchester

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

RAINBOWS4CHILDREN (UK) TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1116387

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	01	2021		31	12	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Rainbows4Children (UK) Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1116387

Charity's principal address 16 Taunton Close

Sutton

Surrey

Postcode

SM3 9NG

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	Richard Max Robinson	President		
2	Kathryn Robinson	Secretary		
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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)	Appointed by existing trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Rainbows4Children (UK) Trust is linked to Rainbows4Children Foundation, registered in Switzerland. Its aims are in harmony with those of the Swiss foundation, and all funds raised go to the same purposes as those of the Swiss Foundation. (See below, objectives)</p> <p>Both the UK Trust and the Swiss Foundation are founded in memory of Nicolas Robinson 1991-1996.</p> <p>Trustees are asked to be active in fundraising and to have an interest in breaking the cycle of poverty in Ethiopia through education. Trustees are asked to retire aged 70, and new trustees from the next generation are sought. It is preferred that trustees have visited the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Ethiopia, at least once, as this the primary project of Rainbows4children (UK) Trust.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>(1) to relieve poverty and suffering in sub-Saharan Africa and particularly (but not exclusively) Ethiopia (the "Region") through the support and provision of aid for construction and development projects with particular emphasis on projects relating to healthcare (including the equipping of health facilities such as hospitals, clinics and health centres), and self-help projects supporting local communities (such as securing water supplies and the development of small agricultural projects), but</p>
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excluding support for any commercial activities or projects which are of a purely political, religious or pacifist nature;
(2) to promote and support the advancement of education in the Region in particular through projects supporting the establishment and support of schools, and the provision of teaching and education for children and young people;
(3) to relieve poverty and financial hardship among beneficiaries in the Region, by providing or procuring, amongst other things, financial assistance and support for the welfare and health of beneficiaries, who by reason of their social and economic conditions are in need of such assistance.

Fund-raising takes place in the UK to raise money for the projects, which are currently in Ethiopia only. Most of the donations received from UK citizens are from individuals who sponsor a child to attend the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Tigray, Ethiopia. The 2 biggest donors in 2021 supported supplementary food during the Civil war (November 2020-ongoing) and to sponsor 20 senior students to complete their schooling at the Nicolas Robinson School.

The project funds in 2021 have been used for 2 main purposes: to pay the school staff and to provide food for the staff and the school children and their families during the civil war.

The Nicolas Robinson School continues to educate 1400 students from kindergarten (aged 3.5 years) to graduation at Grade 12, aged 18 years)

The building work of the essential buildings to run the school is now complete. In 2020 we continued to improve facilities. However formal school was suspended in mid-March due to the Covid pandemic and teachers prepared work for students at all levels as paper handouts, which we collected and distributed by family members. This continued until the end of June and resumed in October 2020. In November 2020 war broke out in the region. Education continued in Mekele until the end of November 2020 when the school was bombarded.

Throughout 2021 the school staff prepared for the re-start of school, which was expected at any moment. (Eventually in February 2022). The staff were trained in coping with their trauma and also to help the children recover from the stress and trauma of war and family bereavements.

The school has been a feeding centre for our community of families, probably reaching about 10,000 people at times.

The school also grew vegetables and other crops to provide better nutrition. A donor supported the installation of some solar panels which were at the school, having been donated previously.

The trustees have read and understood the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit are in compliance. The activity in the continuing education and care of children's health and well-being demonstrates this.

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)

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.

All monies raised go directly to further the aims of the Trust. No trustees receive any remuneration. There are no employees of the Trust. Volunteers travel to Ethiopia to help in the school either at their own expense or supported directly by the founders, Max and Kathryn Robinson. Exceptionally, in 2021 there were no volunteers at the school due to the ongoing civil war in the region and consequent security issues for the volunteers.

Normally, volunteers visit the school on a regular basis to help train the teachers and management staff. All volunteers are DBS checked and have to sign that they are in compliance with the School's child safety policy as well as sign a contract for their work.

The UK independent examiner is also a volunteer, and gives his time free of charge, to enable the charity to focus 100% of the donations on the work in Ethiopia, as stated in its aims and charter.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

2021 was an exceptional year due to the civil war in the region which lasted the whole year. The focus was on education where possible, mainly by sharing books and remote learning exercises. The school also concentrated on the growing of food and protection of the school assets. The quality of the training and quality of education given by the school Rainbows4children, through sponsors, now helps the education of about 700 students at the school and a further 70 who have gone on to University.

4 alumni of the school have won scholarships overseas. 3 are studying at US universities: Macalester College, Rochester University, Triunity College, Hartford. The fourth is about to take 'A' levels at African Leadership Academy and has been offered a scholarship at Asia Pacific University in Japan.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Any cash reserves are invested in the deposit account at the bank. No risk investments are made with the funds. As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of one years' running cost of the School available (in the bank accounts) at all times, so that if funds cannot be raised in a particular year due to unforeseen circumstances, the school can still function and the staff of the school paid their salaries.

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 is mainly from private donations and regular giving. This is mainly to support the sponsorship of Ethiopian children's education and provide funds for building the School and providing the running costs of the School.



The Trust document does not allow any investment of funds in high-risk investments, so funds are invested in a bank deposit account.

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)	Richard Max Robinson	Kathryn Warburton Robinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	President & co-founder	Secretary & co-founder
Date	8 th March 2022	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Rainbows4children (UK) Trust

1116387

Receipts and payments accounts



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For the period from	01.01.20201	To	31.12.2021
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Private donations	-	125,161	-	125,161	50,117
Bank interest	18	-	-	18	247
Gift aid refund	6,776	-	-	6,776	9,662
Paypal Giving Fund	1,925	-	-	1,925	909
Transfer from Rainbows4children paypal account, International	-	-	-	-	-
Return from AFEX account	-	20,000	-	20,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,719	145,161	-	153,880	60,935
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,719	145,161	-	153,880	60,935
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	6	-	-	6	-
Transfers to Rainbows4Children Foundation for Mekele School building	-	40,000	-	40,000	100,000
SAFE (Child safety)	50	-	-	50	56
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	56	40,000	-	40,056	100,056
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	56	40,000	-	40,056	100,056
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,663	105,161	-	113,824	- 39,121
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,515	125,940	-	145,455	184,576
Cash funds this year end	28,178	231,101	-	259,279	145,455

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	HSBC A/C 41459758	25,181	231,101	-
	HSBC A/C 01459740	55	-	-
	Paypal	2,942	-	-
	Total cash funds	28,178	231,101	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		RICHARD MAX ROBINSON	06/01/2022	
		KATHRYN W. ROBINSON	06/01/2022	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Rainbows 4 Children UK Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1116387

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 31/12/2021.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report 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:

6th June 2022

Name:

Jake Jones

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

MAAT

Address:

11 Ellera Road,
Middleton, Manchester
M24 1NY

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

RAINBOWS4CHILDREN (UK) TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1116387

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	01	2020		31	12	2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Rainbows4Children (UK) Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1116387

Charity's principal address 16 Taunton Close

Sutton

Surrey

Postcode

SM3 9NG

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	Richard Max Robinson	President		
2	Kathryn Robinson	Secretary		
3	John Bateson			
4	Paul Reynolds			
5	Philip Stockbridge			
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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)	Appointed by existing trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Rainbows4Children (UK) Trust is linked to Rainbows4Children Foundation, registered in Switzerland. Its aims are in harmony with those of the Swiss foundation, and all funds raised go to the same purposes as those of the Swiss Foundation. (See below, objectives)</p> <p>Both the UK Trust and the Swiss Foundation are founded in memory of Nicolas Robinson 1991-1996.</p> <p>Trustees are asked to be active in fundraising and to have an interest in breaking the cycle of poverty in Ethiopia through education. Trustees are asked to retire aged 70, and new trustees from the next generation are sought. It is preferred that trustees have visited the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Ethiopia, at least once, as this the primary project of Rainbows4children (UK) Trust.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>(1) to relieve poverty and suffering in sub-Saharan Africa and particularly (but not exclusively) Ethiopia (the "Region") through the support and provision of aid for construction and development projects with particular emphasis on projects relating to healthcare (including the equipping of health facilities such as hospitals, clinics and health centres), and self-help projects supporting local communities (such as securing water supplies and the development of small agricultural projects), but</p>
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excluding support for any commercial activities or projects which are of a purely political, religious or pacifist nature;
(2) to promote and support the advancement of education in the Region in particular through projects supporting the establishment and support of schools, and the provision of teaching and education for children and young people;
(3) to relieve poverty and financial hardship among beneficiaries in the Region, by providing or procuring, amongst other things, financial assistance and support for the welfare and health of beneficiaries , who by reason of their social and economic conditions are in need of such assistance.

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)

Fund-raising takes place in the UK to raise money for the projects, which are currently in Ethiopia only. Most of the donations received from UK citizens are from individuals who sponsor a child to attend the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Tigray, Ethiopia. The biggest single donor in 2020 supported supplementary food during the Covid pandemic for and medical support for the Nicolas Robinson School.

The project funds have been used to build and run the Nicolas Robinson School, which educates 1400 Ethiopian children who are the children of disadvantaged families. The parents of these children are, in the main, suffering from disabilities as a result of injuries in war, land mines and illness, including blindness caused by infections.

The school currently educates kindergarten (3 years) and primary school aged children (grades 1-8) and the secondary school (grades 9-12). This takes students to the age at which they can apply to University or other further education. The building work of the essential buildings to run the school is now complete. In 2020 we continued to improve facilities. However formal school was suspended in mid-March due to the Covid pandemic and teachers prepared work for students at all levels as paper handouts, which we collected and distributed by family members. This continued until the end of June. During September/October the Education Bureau discussed how to resume teaching with input from the School. School had just re-started for grades 8 and 12 (exam years) when war broke out in the region. Since the war started no school has been possible. All contact was lost for 6 weeks, as phone and internet services were blocked. From 12th December phone calls were possible again and the city of Mekele was less damaged than the rest of the region. We are optimistic that school can resume in February 2021 and we can assess the condition of the children. Effectively a year of schooling for all children has been lost in the region and many will be suffering from malnutrition. The focus for 2021 will be on restitution and recovery.

The trustees have read and understood the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit are in compliance. The activity in building work and education of children demonstrates this.

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.

All monies raised go directly to further the aims of the Trust. No trustees receive any remuneration. There are no employees of the Trust. Volunteers travel to Ethiopia to help in the school either at their own expense or supported directly by the founders, Max and Kathryn Robinson. In 2020 there were 3 volunteers from the UK at the school and about none from other countries (due to Covid). Volunteers visit the school on a regular basis to help train the teachers and management staff. All volunteers are DBS checked and have to sign that they are in compliance with the School's child safety policy.

The UK independent examiner is also a volunteer, and gives his time free of charge, to enable the charity to focus 100% of the donations on the work in Ethiopia, as stated in its aims and charter.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In 2020, the quality of the training and quality of education given by the school continued to increase. Rainbows4children, through sponsors, now helps the education of about 490 students at the school and a further 70 who have gone on to University. Volunteers focus on training trainers and upgrading skills, particularly on spoken English and practical science. The School was donated a borehole by a local NGO, the Relief Society of Tigray (REST). Funds are being used also to store the water and distribute it around the school. Students can take water home with them if needed, as many homes in the city do not have access to regular clean water.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Any cash reserves are invested in the deposit account at the bank. No risk investments are made with the funds. As a small charity, the policy agreed by the trustees is to keep the equivalent of one years' running cost of the School available (in the bank accounts) at all times, so that if funds cannot be raised in a particular year due to unforeseen circumstances, the school can still function and the staff of the school paid their salaries.

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 is mainly from private donations and regular giving. This is mainly to support the sponsorship of Ethiopian children's education and provide funds for building the School and providing the running costs of the School.

The Trust document does not allow any investment of funds in high-risk investments, so funds are invested in a bank deposit account.



Section F Other optional information

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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)	Richard Max Robinson	Kathryn Warburton Robinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	President & co-founder	Secretary & co-founder
Date	13 th January 2021	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Rainbows4children (UK) Trust

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01.01.2020	To	31.12.2020
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Private donations	-	50,117	-	50,117	84,956
Bank interest	247	-	-	247	325
Gift aid refund	9,662	-	-	9,662	8,308
Paypal Giving Fund	909	-	-	909	23
Transfer from Rainbows4children paypal account, International	-	-	-	-	100
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	10,818	50,117	-	60,935	93,712
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,818	50,117	-	60,935	93,712
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	3
Transfers to Rainbows4Children Foundation for Mekele School building	-	100,000	-	100,000	60,000
SAFE (Child safety)	56	-	-	56	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	56	100,000	-	100,056	60,003
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	56	100,000	-	100,056	60,003
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,762	- 49,883	-	- 39,121	33,709
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	8,753	175,823	-	184,576	150,867
Cash funds this year end	19,515	125,940	-	145,455	184,576

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	RICHARD MAX ROBINSON	13/01/2021
	KATHRYN W. ROBINSON	13/01/2021



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Rainbows 4 Children UK Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

1116387

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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:

Ronald Victor Fairhead

Date:

28th January 2021

Name:

Ronald Victor Fairhead

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

B Sc FCMA CGMA

Address:	12 Latchmoor Way
	Gerrards Cross
	Buckinghamshire SL9 8LP

Section B **Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.



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Auditor Signature

Rev. Col. J. J. J. J.

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28/01/2021

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

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B1 Cash funds	HSBC A/C 41459759	18,474	125,940	-
	HSBC A/C 01459740	61	-	-
	PayPal	980	-	-
	Total cash funds	19,515	125,940	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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			-	-
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			-	-

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
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	KATHRYN W. ROBINSON	13/01/2021

Auditor Signature



