

# UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

England & Wales · Charity number 1117679

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2007-01-24

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** PRINCIPALLY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RESIDENTS IN THE AREA OF AWEIL SOUTH COUNTY, SUDAN:-3.1. TO ADVANCE EDUCATION PRINCIPALLY BY RESTORING AND DEVELOPING FORMAL EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN;3.2 TO RELIEVE POVERTY;3.3 TO PROMOTE ANY OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSE; AND3.4 TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SCHOOLS, EDUCATIONAL BODIES, CHURCHES, CHURCH BODIES, CHARITIES, GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE BODIES TO ADVANCE EDUCATION, RELIEVE POVERTY OR TO PROMOTE ANY OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSE.

**Activities:** To restore and develop formal education for children, for the benefit of residents of Aweil South county, South Sudan.Our mission is to provide education for children, principally girls, in a christian context, in partnership with the local community of Malek Alel, in Aweil South County.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief
- **Who:** Children/young People, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** OVERSEAS
- South Sudan

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£62,262	£50,340	-	-
2024-03-31	£51,155	£93,144	-	-
2023-03-31	£66,650	£48,441	-	-
2022-03-31	£54,020	£44,835	-	-
2021-03-31	£59,600	£41,930	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Daniel Sullam		2023-09-23
Helen Chauncy		2016-11-05
Peter Martin Boyling		2020-01-18
Thomas Stephen John Wright		2024-06-28

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# Accounts

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Charity Registration No. 1117679

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

## **UNDER TREE SCHOOLS LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

**Trustees**

T Wright  
P Boyling  
H Chauncy  
D Sullam

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# UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees: Geoffrey Barnett, Chair (retired on 01/05/2025)  
Peter Boyling, Treasurer  
Helen Chauncy  
Daniel Sullam, Chair from 01/05/2025  
Thomas Wright (appointed on 28/06/2024)

The Trustees present their Report and the Financial Statements of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) for the year ended 31 March 2025. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charity comply with the Charities Act 2011.

#### Legal Status

The charity is a CIO, governed by its Constitution. Its registered office is at 2 Meredyth Road London SW13 0DY. The registered charity number is 1117679.

#### Objective

The main objective of the CIO is to restore and develop formal education for children, for the benefit of residents of Aweil South County, South Sudan.

#### Activities

The charity's mission is to provide education for children, primarily girls, in a Christian context, in partnership with the local community of Malek, through construction and management of a school and to provide vocational and Christian teaching for adults.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in S 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's objectives and in planning future activities.

At the end of a long civil war the charity built a school for girls in Malek-Alel, Aweil South county, South Sudan. It was opened in 2009. It has provided an opportunity for education for girls, whose parents were reluctant to allow them to attend mixed sex schools. Normally 300-400 girls per year have attended, in the age range 6-15, but numbers registering have been increasing and this year about 600 registered.

As well as academic teaching there is provision for older girls to receive training in sewing, in IT and in agronomy. Many girls leave school before the upper years, at the behest of their parents, but of those staying at school, a number have gone on to secondary school, and thereafter for training in careers.

Although numbers of girls registering for the year were high, only 385 girls took the year end exams in November. The staff believe that very serious flooding in the area over the previous months was a major reason; many families were flooded out of their homes.

The school also provides pre-school teaching for the girls' little brothers and sisters up to the age of 6, and 102 of them completed the year.

Trustees were pleased to learn that the teaching staff continued to receive periodic assessments and developmental training from senior staff and the state authorities.

Payments to the school have provided income for the 39 teaching and non-teaching staff, and funds to meet running costs, through the year. Very severe inflation in the country has been reflected in serious inflation in costs of purchases of food and other items, expressed in South Sudanese Pounds. During the year the staff have therefore sought increases in pay levels. Trustees have responded by ensuring that payments are made in US dollars, thus compensating for the fall in the SSP:US\$ exchange rate; by making payments to the school monthly rather than bi-monthly, so that changes in rates are reflected more quickly; and by sending special extra top up amounts from time to time.

# UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

During the year funds have also been provided to:

- complete the series of payments needed to replace the solar system that had deteriorated in the country's climate;
- buy hygiene kits for the older girls, as an incentive not to miss classes;
- provide extra funds so that the community can have a Christmas meal;
- replace a printer, needed for preparing exam papers, and a television in the staff room, which had broken down;
- pay for a key member of staff to attend hospital in the capital for treatment for tonsillitis from which he had suffered for several years.

#### Finances

The charity is funded by donations from supporters, mainly resident in England and Switzerland. During the year there was no concerted campaign to raise funds.

Total unrestricted incoming resources for the year amounted to £62,292 (2024: £51,155). Unrestricted resources expended amounted to £50,340 (2024: £84,107) comprising mainly funds sent to the school to pay their staff and running costs.

Net unrestricted surplus for the year was £11,952 (2024: net outgoing resources were £32,952). Total unrestricted cash reserves at 31 March 2025 were £73,419 (2024: £61,467).

The charity has a fund restricted to funding the fees for girls attending secondary school after their education at the school in Malek-Alel. There was no income to the restricted bursary fund in the year, nor was there expenditure, as payments for 2024 were made in the 2023 financial year. The balance of that fund at 31 March 2025 was £122 (2024: £122).

At 31 March 2025 the total bank balance stood at £73,541 (2024: £61,589).

#### Reserves

The trustees' policy is to maintain an unrestricted reserve of £25,000 to enable operations to continue temporarily if income unexpectedly drops, until new sources of income can be found. The charity was acting in line with the reserves policy at the year end.

The trustees consider the charity to be a going concern.

#### Policies

The trustees have policies for financial control, due diligence, conflicts of interest, safeguarding, serious incident reporting, data protection and social media. These were reviewed and where appropriate adjusted, the latter three just after the end of the year under report.

#### Staff

The CIO has no employees. However a proportion of the periodic payments to meet school expenses is spent in support of the 39 school staff. There are 21 teachers. The remaining staff are responsible for running everything outside the classroom. The head teacher, who has been in post since the school was set up formally and is himself employed by the state, is responsible for all school activities. Owing to high rates of inflation in South Sudan the purchasing power of the teachers' state salaries is small, and they are not always paid.

#### Independent Examination

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, which are not required to be audited. Accordingly they have been the subject of a report by an independent examiner, whose report is set out on page 4 of this document.

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

**Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the accounts**

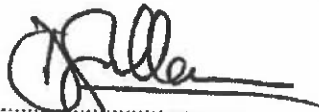
The Trustees of Under Tree Schools are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



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Daniel Sulam, Chair

Date 10 September 2025  
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**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE MEMBERS OF UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Under Tree Schools**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable incorporated organisation for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the charitable incorporated organisation you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charitable incorporated organisation are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charitable incorporated organisation's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charitable incorporated organisation; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act 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; or
- (4) the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting of charities.

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.

TC Group

**Mark Cummins FCCA, FCIE**  
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Dated: 24 September 2025

UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Receipts and payments accounts

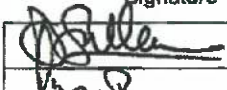

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For the period from	01-Apr-24	To	31-Mar-25
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Section A Receipts and payments

	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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations (incl Gift Aid)	62,292	-	-	62,292	51,155
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i> (Gross income for AR)	62,292	-	-	62,292	51,155
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total receipts</i>	62,292	-	-	62,292	51,155
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Charitable activities - S. Sudan	48,551	-	-	48,551	90,567
Charitable activities - UK	1,789	-	-	1,789	2,577
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	50,340	-	-	50,340	93,144
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total payments</i>	50,340	-	-	50,340	93,144
<i>Net of receipts/(payments)</i>	11,952	-	-	11,952	-41,989
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	61,467	122	-	61,589	103,578
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	73,419	122	-	73,541	61,589

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	73,419	122	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	73,541	122	-
		<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Unrestricted fund	1,740	-
	Independent Examination fee for 24/25 accounts	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			DANIEL SULLAM	10/09/25
			PETER BOYLE	10/09/25

Note 1: During the year £750 was donated by 2 trustees (2024: £1,710 donated by 3 trustees) and £3,161 was donated by a charity (St Mary's Barnes) of which 2 trustees of UTS are also trustees (2024: £4,916). No conditions were attached to these donations. There were no other related party transactions during the year (2024: none).

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# Accounts

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

## **UNDER TREE SCHOOLS LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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# UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees:

Geoffrey Barnett, Chair
Peter Boyling, Treasurer
Helen Chauncy
Ron Sullam (Resigned 29 February 2024)
Dainel Sullam (Appointed 23 September 2023)

The Trustees present their Report and the Financial Statements of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) for the year ended 31 March 2024. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charity comply with the Charities Act 2011

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The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in S 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's objectives and in planning future activities.

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As well as academic teaching there is provision for older girls to receive training in sewing, in IT and in agronomy. Many girls leave school before the upper years, at the behest of their parents, but of those staying at school, a number have gone on to secondary school, and thereafter for training in careers.

378 girls took the year end exams in November. The school also provides pre-school teaching for their little brothers and sisters up to the age of 6, and 53 of them completed the year.

Payments to the school have provided income for the 38 teaching and nonteaching staff, and funds to meet running costs, through the year. Rates of payment have been increased to reflect substantial inflation in costs of purchases of food and other items.

During the year funds have also been provided to:

- install a lightning protection for the solar system and replace the solar system that had deteriorated in the country's climate;
- purchase school uniforms, to enable each girl to receive a free uniform as an incentive to attend school;
- buy hygiene kits for the older girls, as an incentive not to miss classes.
- pay the secondary school fees for girls going on to secondary school after they complete year 8, to encourage them to continue their education. All 30 girls in the top year in 2023 passed their final exams and all went on to secondary school in early 2024, raising the number at secondary school to 88.

#### Finances

The charity is funded by donations from supporters, mainly resident in England and Switzerland. During the year there was no concerted campaign to raise funds.

## UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Total unrestricted incoming resources for the year amounted to £51,155 (2023: £66,650). Unrestricted resources expended amounted to £84,107 (2023: £45,603) comprising mainly funds sent to the school to pay their staff and running costs.

Net unrestricted resources expended for the year was £32,952 (2023: net unrestricted surplus of £21,047). Total unrestricted cash reserves at 31 March 2024 were £61,467 (2023: £94,419).

The charity has a fund restricted to funding the fees for girls attending secondary school after their education at the school in Malek-Alel. There was no income to the restricted bursary fund in the year. Payments were made in the financial year to cover both the 2023 and 2024 school years. The balance of that fund at 31 March 2024 was £122 (2023 £9,159).

At 31 March 2024 the total bank balance stood at £61,589 (2023: £103,578).

#### **Reserves**

The trustees' policy is to maintain an unrestricted reserve of £25,000 to enable operations to continue temporarily if income unexpectedly drops, until new sources of income can be found. The charity was acting in line with the reserves policy at the year end.

The trustees consider the charity to be a going concern.

#### **Policies**

The trustees have policies for financial control, due diligence, conflicts of interest, safeguarding, serious incident reporting, data protection and social media. These were reviewed and where appropriate adjusted during the year.

#### **Staff**

The CIO has no employees. However a proportion of the periodic payments to meet school expenses is spent in support of the 38 school staff. Eight of the twenty teachers are state-employed. The remaining 18 non-teaching staff are responsible for running everything outside the classroom. The head teacher, who has been in post since the school was set up formally and is himself employed by the state, is responsible for all school activities. Owing to high rates of inflation in South Sudan the purchasing power of the teachers' state salaries is small, and they are not always paid.

#### **Independent Examination**

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, which are not required to be audited. Accordingly they have been the subject of a report by an independent examiner, whose report is set out on page 4 of this document.

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the accounts**

The Trustees of Under Tree Schools are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that year.

## UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

  
Geoffrey Barnett, Chair

Date 2 July 2024

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**  
**TO THE MEMBERS OF UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Under Tree Schools**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').


Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act 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; or
- (4) the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting of charities.

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.

  
**Mark Cummins FCCA**  
for and on behalf of TC Group  
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Dated: 5 July 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION  
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Receipts and payments accounts

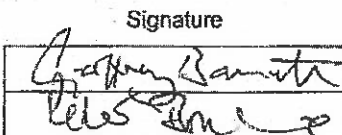

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For the period from 01-Apr-23 To 31-Mar-24

**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations (incl Gift Aid)	51,155	-	-	51,155	66,650
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i> (Gross income for AR)	51,155	-	-	51,155	66,650
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>51,155</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>51,155</b>	<b>66,650</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Charitable activities - S. Sudan	81,530	9,037	-	90,567	46,852
Charitable activities - UK	2,577	-	-	2,577	1,589
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	84,107	9,037	-	93,144	48,441
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>84,107</b>	<b>9,037</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>93,144</b>	<b>48,441</b>
<i>Net of receipts/(payments)</i>	<b>-32,952</b>	<b>-9,037</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-41,989</b>	<b>18,209</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	94,419	9,159	-	85,369	85,369
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	61,467	122	-	61,589	103,578

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	61,467	122	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	61,467	122	-
	OK Unrestricted funds to nearest £	OK Restricted funds to nearest £	OK Endowment funds to nearest £	
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent Examination fee for 23/24 accounts	Unrestricted fund	1,620	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		GEORGEY BARNETT	2.7.24	
		PETER BOYLING	2.7.24	

Note 1: During the year the charity received £1,710 donated by three trustees and £4,916 donated by a charity of which two trustee of UTS are also trustees (2023: £1,460 donated by two trustee and £3,000 donated by a charity of which two trustees of UTS are also trustees).

No conditions were attached to these donations. There were no other related party transactions during the year (2023: none).

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**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

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# Accounts

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**Charity Registration No. 1117679**

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS  
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS  
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

<b>Trustees</b>	G Barnett P Boyling H Chauncy R Sullam
<b>Charity number</b>	1117679
<b>Principal address</b>	2 Meredyth Road London SW13 0DY
<b>Independent Examiners</b>	TC Group The Courtyard Shoreham Road Upper Beeding Steyning West Sussex BN44 3TN

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# UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees:                   Geoffrey Barnett, Chair  
  Peter Boyling, Treasurer  
  Helen Chauncy  
  Ron Sullam

The Trustees present their Report and the Financial Statements of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) for the year ended 31 March 2023. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charity comply with the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Legal Status**

The charity is a CIO, governed by its Constitution. Its registered office is at 2 Meredyth Road London SW13 0DY. The registered charity number is 1117679.

#### **Objective**

The main objective of the CIO is to restore and develop formal education for children, for the benefit of residents of Aweil South County, South Sudan.

#### **Activities**

The charity's mission is to provide education for children, primarily girls, in a Christian context, in partnership with the local community of Malek, through construction and management of a school and to provide vocational and Christian teaching for adults.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in S 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's objectives and in planning future activities.

At the end of a long civil war the charity built a school for girls in Malek-Alel, Aweil South county, South Sudan. It was opened in 2009. It has provided an opportunity for education for girls, whose parents were reluctant to allow them to attend mixed sex schools. Normally 300-400 girls per year have attended, in the age range 6-15.

As well as academic teaching there is provision for older girls to receive training in sewing, in IT and in agronomy. Many girls leave school before the upper years, at the behest of their parents, but of those staying at school, a number have gone on to secondary school, and thereafter for training in careers.

Payments to the school have provided income for the 38 teaching and nonteaching staff, and funds to meet running costs, through the year.

550 girls registered to come to the school for April 2022. Unfortunately during the year severe floods restricted access to the school for many girls for a number of months. 315 girls took the year end exams. The school also provides pre-school teaching for their little brothers and sisters up to the age of 6, and 48 of them completed the year.

In addition to regular payments to the school to pay staff and to cover basic running costs, funds have also been provided during the year to buy replacement desks and chairs for the 8 classrooms, and to replace two printers that were damaged in a robbery from the school. Funds were also sent to buy hygiene kits for the older girls as an incentive not to miss classes. The school was also given money to acquire a second motorbike, to reduce costs of hiring vehicles. The charity encourages girls to go to secondary school after they complete year 8, by paying their secondary school fees. In the year funds were sent for the fees for 43 girls attending secondary school.

#### **Finances**

The charity is funded by donations from supporters, mainly resident in England and Switzerland. During the year there was no concerted campaign to raise funds.

Total unrestricted incoming resources for the year amounted to £66,650 (2022: £51,899). Unrestricted resources expended amounted to £45,603 (2022: £39,635) comprising mainly funds sent to the school to pay their staff and running costs.

# **UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Net unrestricted income for the year was £21,047 (2022: £12,264). Total unrestricted cash reserves at 31 March 2023 were £94,419 (2021: £73,372).

The charity has a fund restricted to funding the fees for girls attending secondary school after their education at the school in Malek-Alel. There was no income to the restricted bursary fund in the year (2022: £2,121). Restricted resources expended amounted to £2,838 (2022: £5,200). The balance of the restricted bursary fund at 31 March 2023 was £9,159 (2022: £11,997).

At 31 March 2023 the total bank balance stood at £103,578 (2022: £85,369).

#### **Reserves**

The trustees' policy is to maintain an unrestricted reserve of £25,000 to enable operations to continue temporarily if income unexpectedly drops, until new sources of income can be found. The charity was acting in line with the reserves policy at the year end.

The trustees consider the charity to be a going concern.

#### **Policies**

The trustees have policies for financial control, due diligence, conflicts of interest, safeguarding, and social media. These were reviewed and where appropriate adjusted during the year.

#### **Staff**

The CIO has no employees. However a proportion of the periodic payments to meet school expenses is spent in support of the 38 school staff. Eight of the twenty teachers are state-employed. The remaining 18 non-teaching staff are responsible for running everything outside the classroom. The head teacher, who has been in post since the school was set up formally and is himself employed by the state, is responsible for all school activities. Owing to high rates of inflation in South Sudan the purchasing power of the teachers' state salaries is small, and they are not always paid

#### **Independent Examination**

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, which are not required to be audited. Accordingly they have been the subject of a report by an independent examiner, whose report is set out on page 4 of this document.

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the accounts**

The Trustees of Under Tree Schools are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that year.

# UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

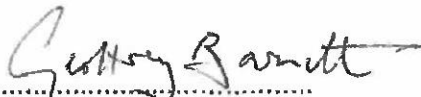
### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



.....  
Geoffrey Barnett, Chair

23 Sep 2023

.....  
Date

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE MEMBERS OF UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Under Tree Schools**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out below.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act 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; or
- (4) the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting of charities.

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.

TC Group

**Mark Cummins FCCA**  
for and on behalf of TC Group  
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Dated: 18 October 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION  
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UNDER TREE SCHOOLS 1117679

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from 01-Apr-22 To 31-Mar-23

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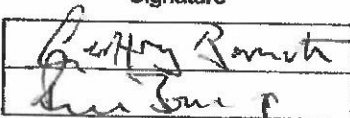
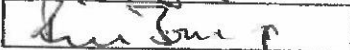
**Section A Receipts and payments**

	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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations (incl Gift Aid)	66,650	-	-	66,650	59,600
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>66,650</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>66,650</b>	<b>54,020</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>66,650</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>66,650</b>	<b>54,020</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Charitable activities - S.Sudan	44,014	2,838	-	46,852	38,521
Charitable activities - UK	1,589	-	-	1,589	3,409
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>45,603</b>	<b>2,838</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>48,441</b>	<b>44,835</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>45,603</b>	<b>2,838</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>48,441</b>	<b>44,835</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>21,047</b>	<b>(2,838)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,209</b>	<b>9,185</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>73,372</b>	<b>11,997</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>85,369</b>	<b>76,184</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>94,419</b>	<b>9,159</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>103,578</b>	<b>85,369</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	94,419	9,159	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	94,419	9,159	-
	OK Unrestricted funds to nearest £	OK Restricted funds to nearest £	OK Endowment funds to nearest £	
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent Examination fee for 22/23 accounts	Unrestricted fund	1,440	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	GEORGEY BARNETT	23 Sep 23
	PETER BOWLING	23/9/23

Note 1: During the year the charity received £1,460 donated by two trustees (2022: £2,225 donated by a charity of which a trustee of UTS is also a trustee). No conditions were attached to these donations. There were no other related party transactions during the year (2022: none).

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

England & Wales - Charity number 1117679

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# Accounts

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Charity Registration No. 1117679

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

# **UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

## **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

**Trustees**

G Barnett  
P Boyling  
H Chauncy  
R Sullam

**Charity number**

1117679

**Principal address**

2 Meredyth Road  
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# UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees:                   Geoffrey Barnett, Chair  
  Peter Boyling, Treasurer  
  Helen Chauncy  
  Ron Sullam

The Trustees present their Report and the Financial Statements of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) for the year ended 31 March 2022. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charity comply with the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Legal Status**

The charity is a CIO, governed by its Constitution. Its registered office is at 2 Meredyth Road London SW13 0DY. The registered charity number is 1117679.

#### **Objective**

The main objective of the CIO is to restore and develop formal education for children, for the benefit of residents of Aweil South County, South Sudan.

#### **Activities**

The charity's mission is to provide education for children, primarily girls, in a Christian context, in partnership with the local community of Malek, through construction and management of a school and to provide vocational and Christian teaching for adults.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in S 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's objectives and in planning future activities.

At the end of a long civil war the charity built a school for girls in Malek-Alel, Aweil South county, South Sudan. It was opened in 2009. It has provided an opportunity for education for girls, whose parents were reluctant to allow them to attend mixed sex schools. Normally 300-400 girls per year have attended, in the age range 6-15.

As well as academic teaching there is provision for older girls to receive training in sewing, in IT and in agronomy. Many girls leave school before the upper years, at the behest of their parents, but of those staying at school, a number have gone on to secondary school, and thereafter for training in careers.

Early in the year under report, the school reopened after a year's closure at Government instruction because of the Covid 19 pandemic. Payments to the school have provided income for the 38 teaching and nonteaching staff, and funds to meet running costs, through the year.

A record number of 590 girls registered to come to the school for April 2021. Unfortunately during the year severe floods restricted access to the school for many girls for a number of months. 225 girls took the year end exams. The school also provides pre-school teaching for their little brothers and sisters up to the age of 6, and 50 of them completed the year.

During the year funds have also been provided to buy hygiene kits for the older girls. The school was given funds to enable it to buy a motorbike, to reduce costs of hiring vehicles. Replacement laptops were funded. The charity encourages girls to go to secondary school after they complete year 8, by paying their secondary school fees. In the year funds were sent for the fees for 38 girls attending secondary school. At the end of the year funds were sent to enable the school to create a fenced area in which to keep their herd of 70 cattle, enabling the animals to be more productive in meat and milk. As well as regular payments to allow minor ongoing repairs to school buildings, a special amount was sent to provide for more substantial repair of the chapel.

#### **Finances**

The charity is funded by donations from supporters, mainly resident in England and Switzerland. During the year there was no concerted campaign to raise funds.

Total unrestricted incoming resources for the year amounted to £51,899 (2021: £59,600). Unrestricted resources expended amounted to £44,835 (2021: £41,930) comprising mainly funds sent to the school to pay their staff and running costs.

# **UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

Net unrestricted income for the year was £12,264 (2021: £17,670). Total unrestricted cash reserves at 31 March 2022 were £73,372 (2021: £61,108).

The charity has a fund restricted to funding the fees for girls attending secondary school after their education at the school in Malek-Alel. There was no income to the restricted bursary fund in the year. The balance of the restricted bursary fund at 31 March 2022 was £11,997 (2021: £15,076).

At 31 March 2022 the total bank balance stood at £85,369 (2021: £76,184).

#### **Reserves**

The trustees' policy is to maintain an unrestricted reserve to enable operations to continue temporarily if income unexpectedly drops, until new sources of income can be found. This reserve, previously £12,000, was increased during the year to £25,000. The charity was acting in line with the reserves policy at the year end

The trustees consider the charity to be a going concern. This conclusion takes into account the financial effect of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **Policies**

The trustees have policies for financial control, due diligence, conflicts of interest, safeguarding, and social media. These were reviewed and where appropriate adjusted during the year.

#### **Staff**

The CIO has no employees. However a proportion of the periodic payments to meet school expenses is spent in support of the 38 school staff. Eight of the twenty teachers are state-employed. The remaining 18 non-teaching staff are responsible for running everything outside the classroom. The head teacher, who has been in post since the school was set up formally and is himself employed by the state, is responsible for all school activities. Owing to high rates of inflation in South Sudan the purchasing power of the teachers' state salaries is small, and are not always paid.

#### **Independent Examination**

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, which are not required to be audited. Accordingly they have been the subject of a report by an independent examiner, whose report is set out on page 4 of this document.

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the accounts**

The Trustees of Under Tree Schools are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that year.

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS  
TRUSTEES' REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

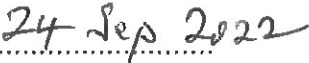
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- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

  
.....  
Geoffrey Barnett, Chair

  
.....  
Date

# **UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

### **TO THE MEMBERS OF UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

#### **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Under Tree Schools**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are set out below.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act 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; or
- (4) the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting of charities.

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.



**Mark Cummins FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**for and on behalf of TC Group**

The Courtyard  
Shoreham Road  
Upper Beeding  
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17 October 2022  
Dated: .....



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Apr-21	To	31-Mar-22
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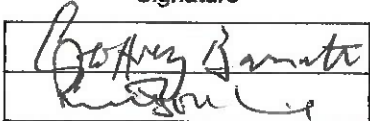

**Section A Receipts and payments**

	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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations (incl Gift Aid)	51,899	2,121	-	54,020	59,600
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	<b>51,899</b>	<b>2,121</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,020</b>	<b>59,600</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>51,899</b>	<b>2,121</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,020</b>	<b>59,600</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Charitable activities - S.Sudan	38,226	5,200	-	43,426	38,521
Charitable activities - UK	1,409	-	-	1,409	3,409
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>39,635</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,835</b>	<b>41,930</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>39,635</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,835</b>	<b>41,930</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>12,264</b>	<b>(3,079)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,185</b>	<b>17,670</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>61,108</b>	<b>15,076</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,184</b>	<b>58,514</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>73,372</b>	<b>11,997</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>85,369</b>	<b>76,184</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	73,372	11,997	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	<b>73,372</b>	<b>11,997</b>	<b>-</b>
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details		Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent Examination fee for 21/22 accounts	unrestricted fund	1,440	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	GEORGEY BARNETT	24 Sep 22
	PETER BOYLING	24 Sep 22

Note 1: During the year the charity received £2,400 from two trustees and £2,225 donated by one charity of which a trustee of UTS is also a trustee (2021: £2,000 was donated by three trustees and one charity of which a trustee of UTS is also a trustee). No conditions were attached to these donations. There were no other related party transactions during the year (2021: none).

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

England & Wales - Charity number 1117679

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# Accounts

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Charity Registration No. 1117679

**UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

# **UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

## **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

### **Trustees**

G Barnett (Appointed 18/01/20)  
P Boyling (Appointed 18/01/20)  
H Chauncy  
R Sullam (Appointed 18/01/20)  
A P Wardle (Resigned 18/01/20)  
J Ayok-Loewenberg (Resigned 18/01/20)  
K Ayok-Loewenberg (Resigned 18/01/20)  
A Blaney (Resigned 01/08/2019)  
G J Phillips (Resigned 18/01/20)  
I R Sykes (Resigned 18/01/20)

### **Charity number**

1117679

### **Principal address**

2 Meredyth Road  
London  
SW13 0DY

### **Independent Examiners**

TC Group  
The Courtyard  
Shoreham Road  
Upper Beeding  
Steyning  
West Sussex  
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# UNDER TREE SCHOOLS

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The Trustees: Geoffrey Barnett, Chair  
Peter Boyling, Treasurer  
Helen Chauncy  
Ron Sullam

The Trustees present their Report and the Financial Statements of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) for the year ended 31 March 2021. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charity comply with the Charities Act 2011.

#### Legal Status

The charity converted from a company limited by guarantee to a CIO on 12 November 2020. It is governed by its Constitution. Its registered office is at 2 Meredyth Road London SW13 0DY. The registered charity number is 1117679.

#### Objective

The main objective of the CIO is to restore and develop formal education for children, for the benefit of residents of Aweil South County, South Sudan.

#### Activities

The charity's mission is to provide education for children, primarily girls, in a Christian context, in partnership with the local community of Malek, through construction and management of a school and to provide vocational and Christian teaching for adults.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in S 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's objectives and in planning future activities.

At the end of a long civil war the charity built a school for girls in Malek-Alel, Aweil South county, South Sudan. It was opened in 2009. It has provided an opportunity for education for girls, whose parents were reluctant to allow them to attend mixed sex schools. Up to about 400 girls per year have attended, in the age range 6-15.

As well as academic teaching there is provision for older girls to receive training in sewing, in IT and in agronomy. Many girls leave school before the upper years, at the behest of their parents, but of those staying at school, a number have gone on to secondary school, and thereafter for training in careers.

In the year under report, the school was largely closed because of the Covid 19 pandemic. But the top year were able to return to school and took final year examinations, giving eligibility for further education. By continuing to provide income for the 36 teaching and nonteaching staff, and funds to meet running costs, through the year, the school has been enabled to continue to support these families, and to ensure that the school is prepared for the reopening to girls when legally permitted to do so.

During the year funds have also been provided to repair the solar power system at the school, obviating the need for carbon fuel generators to produce light and electric power.

#### Finances

The charity is funded by donations from supporters, mainly resident in England and Switzerland. During the year there was no concerted campaign to raise funds.

Total unrestricted incoming resources for the year amounted to £59,600 (2020: £53,592). Unrestricted resources expended amounted to £41,930 (2020: £27,536) comprising mainly funds sent to the school to pay their staff and running costs.

Net unrestricted income for the year was £17,670 (2020: £26,056). Total unrestricted cash reserves at 31 March 2021 were £61,108 (2020: £286,955).

The charity has a fund restricted to funding fees for girls attending secondary school after their education at the school in Malek-Alel. There was no income to the restricted bursary fund in the year and no spending. The balance

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## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

of the restricted bursary fund at 31 March 2021 was £15,076 (2020: £15,076). At 31 March 2021 the total bank balance stood at £76,184 (2020: £58,514).

#### **Reserves**

The trustees' policy is to maintain a minimum unrestricted reserve of £12,000 to enable operations to continue temporarily if income unexpectedly drops, until new sources of income can be found. Unrestricted cash reserves at 31 March 2021 totalled £61,108 (2020: £58,514). The charity was acting in line with the reserves policy at the year end.

The trustees consider the charity to be a going concern. This conclusion takes into account the financial effect of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **Fixed Assets**

The trustees have written off the £246,013 in last year's balance sheet that was attributable to fixed assets. The reason for this decision is that the school's fixed assets have no value that, in practice, could ever be realised by the charity. The principal fixed assets figure in the historic balance sheet was labelled freehold property (with an acknowledgement that it cannot be valued). In fact the figure was the amount spent (less depreciation) on creating the school buildings on land that was provided free because it was empty space in the bush. None of these buildings have any value that the charity could realise.

#### **Policies**

The trustees have policies for financial control, due diligence, conflicts of interest, safeguarding, and social media. These were reviewed and where appropriate adjusted during the year.

#### **Financial control**

The financial controls and procedures policy reflects adjustments made by the trustees to confirm the systems they adopted in the light of Charity Commission concerns about controls operated by the previous board of trustees up to 2019. The Treasurer prepares monthly statements of receipts and payments. All expenses, including all purchases at the school in Malek-Alel, are supported by receipts, held on paper or in electronic form. Transfers of funds to the school are made via the money transfer service Dahabshiil. Periodic checks are made to ensure that this means of transfer provides a competitive exchange rate.

#### **Staff**

The CIO has no employees. However a proportion of the periodic payments to meet school expenses is spent in support of the school staff. Eight of the twenty teachers are state-employed. The remaining 16 non teaching staff are responsible for running everything outside the classroom. The head teacher, who has been in post since the school was set up formally and is himself employed by the state, is responsible for all school activities. Owing to runaway rates of inflation in South Sudan the purchasing power of the teachers' state salaries is small, always assuming that they are paid at all.

#### **Independent Examination**

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, which are not required to be audited. Accordingly they have been the subject of a report by an independent examiner, whose report is set out on page 4 of this document.

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the accounts**

The Trustees of Under Tree Schools are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that year.

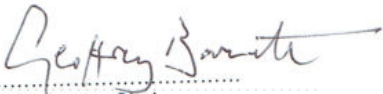
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TRUSTEES' REPORT  
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In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Geoffrey Barnett, Chair

Date 3 July 2021

# **UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

### **TO THE MEMBERS OF UNDER TREE SCHOOLS**

#### **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Under Tree Schools**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out below.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

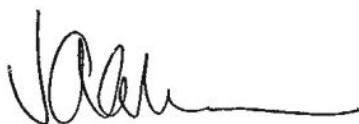
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act 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; or
- (4) the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting of charities.

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.



**Jonathan Aikens ACA, DCHA**  
**for and on behalf of TC Group**  
The Courtyard  
Shoreham Road  
Upper Beeding  
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BN44 3TN

Dated: 5 July 2021.



**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from	01-Apr-20	To	31-Mar-21
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations (incl Gift Aid)	59,600	-	-	59,600	53,592
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>59,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,600</b>	<b>53,592</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>59,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,600</b>	<b>53,592</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Charitable activities - S.Sudan	38,521	-	-	38,521	24,731
Charitable activities - UK	3,409	-	-	3,409	2,754
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	51
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>41,930</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,930</b>	<b>27,536</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>41,930</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,930</b>	<b>27,536</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>17,670</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,670</b>	<b>26,056</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>43,438</b>	<b>15,076</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,514</b>	<b>32,458</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>61,108</b>	<b>15,076</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,184</b>	<b>58,514</b>

see note 1

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	61,108	15,076	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>61,108</b>	<b>15,076</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

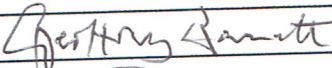
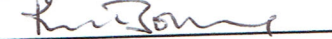
Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

see note 1

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Independent Examination fee for 20/21 accounts	unrestricted fund	-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	GEOFFREY BARNETT	3 July '21
	PETER ROYLING	3 July '21

Note 1: in this year's accounts the trustees have written off the £246,013 in last year's balance sheet that was attributable to fixed assets. See the annual report by the trustees.

Note 2: During the year the charity received £2,000 donated by one trustee and one charity of which a trustee of UTS is also a trustee (2020: £4,566 was donated by three trustees and one charity of which a trustee of UTS is also a trustee). No conditions were attached to these donations. There were no other related party transactions during the year (2020: none).