

SEVENOAK KENYA EDUCATION TRUST CC 1118914

**ANNUAL REPORT 01.04.20 - 31.03.21** *Note : Each year in accordance with Charity Commission requirements, an Annual Report is provided. Where there has been no change in the mission, activity, need or operation of SKET since the last AR, then in the interests of brevity, repetition of that in last Reports is avoided and read across from the last AR applies. Thus this AR is brief, only touching on fresh points of interest, particularly the impact of Covid 19. A current finance statement accompanies this document.*

**A Trustees** David Debenham (Secretary/Treasurer), Jane Debenham, William Palethorpe

**B Structure, Governance and Management** : No changes from that reported in last report. An AGM was held attended by the UK Trustees in March 2021

**C Objectives and Activities** : The whole of this reporting year has been overshadowed by Covid. In April 2020, the start of this reporting period, all Kenyan schools were closed under a Government directive and they remained closed thus losing two whole terms of the normal three per year. This was serious setback to the pattern of education. The majority of students supported by SKET are from rural parts and attend Government Boarding Schools. They were sent home. Their studies halted and the care aspect of attending a boarding school was lost. Coming from impoverished backgrounds, self study was not possible and SKET became aware of degrees of stress for some languishing at home often with their own family experiencing the further hardship of Covid and it's various knock on effects. Consequently this charity reached out with some material assistance when such cases were brought to its notice from our two Field Officers. Towards the end of 2020 Form 4 students, whose final exams were delayed, were allowed back to try to catch up, so taking their final secondary leaving exams in early 2021. SKET was not able to follow its usual pattern of new student registration in January 2021 but this action will now fall in the next 21/22 Annual Report. The new toilet /washroom block at Olooseos Girls School funded by the UK group visit 2019 is complete and in use. Photo attached " new and old "

**D Collaboration with Osiligi Charity Projects (OCP)** : This Devon based Charity funded the building of a fine Primary school in a corner of Kajiado County. As this school has grown, managed by the Trustees, it has seen the first students (25 in number) complete primary education taking their KCPE in March this year and with impressive exam results. Their OCP sponsors, recognising these all come from very poor backgrounds, wished to continue helping their education so SKET with its long experience in the secondary sector was approached to work with OCP. We will ensure these students move smoothly into their new schools and cover school fee management. This is ongoing.

**E Achievements and Performance** : As of March 2021 SKET has on its register 110 students (+2 from last year, who exceptional joined mid term). None completed and left, due to closure of schools.

Donor profile remains unchanged ie individuals, churches, plus funds from the 2019 sponsored adventure holiday. We no longer receive any support from Corporate donors. SKET continues to run by voluntary effort, free of any overheads and continues to communicate and update its donors by occasional newsletters.

**F AGM** Held in March '21. With the unprecedented affect of Covid at large in Kenya (but seemingly not at the high rates seen in many countries), it has been necessary to give greater responsibility to our Field Officers John and Helen. This brought about by less frequent personal visits to the country by our Trustees. Whats App has proved an invaluable free management tool. The Kenya Ministry of Education has plans to redesign the whole of the 3 phases of education moving away from the old 8 4 4 structure, along with reducing fees. This in its early stages of implementation and not yet affecting our working pattern. We put on record our appreciation of the effort Kent based Charity Links went to in producing the fine 2021 SKET Calender sent to all our donors and separate sales of which raised valuable funds.

**F Financial Review** See attached accounts. No restricted funds were itemised this year.

David Debenham ( Secretary ) Dated 4 August 2021

### Receipts and Payments Account

Charity name Sevenoak Kenya Education Trust

Charity number 1118914

For period start 01.04.20 to end date 31.03.21

Section A Receipts	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Last year
Income from Donors	22376	nil	40078
Gift Aid	5619		4522
A2 Assets and Investment sales	nil		nil
<b>Total</b>	<b>27995</b>		<b>44600</b>

### Section A3 Payments (see annex)

Spent in UK	Bank charges	69
	Calender costs	500
Transferred to Kenya		28500
Total payments		29069

Section A4/A5 nil

### Section A6

Cash funds last year end	8541
Cash funds this year end	7467

### Section B

B1 Cash funds	Detail held	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds
	31.03.21	7467	nil
B4 Other assets	None	B5 Liabilities	none and not applicable

**Signed** by one or two Trustees on behalf of all Trustees

Signature                      Print name                      Date

**FY 20-21 ANNEX TO RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

<b>Income £</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>
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Donations	Unrestricted	33903	<b>22376</b>
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	Restricted	6715	-
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Gift Aid	4522	<b>5619</b>
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Total	45140	<b>27995</b>
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Cash in A/c	01.04.20	<b>8541</b>
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"	31.03.21	<b>7467</b>
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Change on year		<b>-1074</b>
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**Expenditure**

UK Bank charges	60	<b>69</b>
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Calenders		<b>500</b>
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Transferred to Kenya	55200	<b>28500 = Ksh 3,987,500#</b>
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# (5 transfers av.@139.91to £)

Total

**Spend in Kenya (Shillings)**

**School fees in 1000s Ksh**

Kajiado program	<b>2425</b>
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Murang'a "	<b>1062</b>
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Student help	<b>600.5</b>
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Total	<b>4087.5</b>
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Funds held in Kenya (end FY)	<b>2676</b>
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# Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name

SEVENOAK KENYA EDUCATION TRUST

On accounts for the year ended

310321

Charity no (if any)

1118914

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 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 Commissioners. 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In the course of 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 trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 41 of the Act); and
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; 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

J. S. Bassendine

Date

11.08.2021

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or body (if any)

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Photo: Olooseos Girls School, Toilets/Washroom Old and New 2020