



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date				Period end date			
From	1	January	2023	To	31	December	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

SaltPeter Trust

Other names charity is known by

SPT

Registered charity number (if any)

1119275

Charity's principal address

23, Dan y Bryn Ave,

Radyr

Cardiff

Postcode

CF15 8DD

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	Ian Flower	Chairman		
2	Helen Flower	Treasurer		
3	Stuart Gerrish	Secretary		
4	Ros Gerrish	Trustee		
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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
Medical Advisor	Dr Mark Vaughan FRCGP	6, Ygarreg Lwyd, Llanedi, Pontarddulais, SA4 0ZL
Independent Assessor	Martin Thole	6, Patmore Close, Gwaelod y Garth, Cardiff, CF159SU.

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, date 23/10/06
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)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- 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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To relieve poverty & sickness in needy communities in Africa;
to promote urban or rural regeneration in these areas;
to facilitate training in the Christian religion.

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)

All trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit & all activities have been undertaken with a view to them being beneficial to the public.

These activities include:

- funding and supporting women's and widows' cooperative projects,
- supporting 5 Baptist Pastors
- supporting income generating projects,
- providing maintenance of project buildings,
- providing support, management & medical training to Soroti Baptist Medical Centre
- running Pop Up Clinics in and around Soroti
- funding orphans' & needy children's education & training
- providing support to Soroti Baptist Church

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Soroti Baptist Medical Centre (SBMC):

SaltPeter Trust continued to support the Medical Centre throughout 2023 both financially and practically.

A grant was awarded to SaltPeterTrust by Wales and Africa Fund via WCVA in early 2022 and plans had been made to visit in October 2022 to hold further Pop Up Clinics in the villages near to Soroti. However, there was an outbreak of Ebola in Kampala and Jinja, and so the visit was postponed until January & February 2023 on safety grounds.

Seven UK based volunteers travelled to Uganda in late January 2023 and held 3 Pop Up Clinics in rural area for the benefit of the poor, offering free treatment to over 1500 patients. Those needing follow up treatment were referred to and seen at Soroti Baptist Medical Centre.

Regular Zoom meetings were held with the administrative and medical staff, but the Centre suffered from declining patient numbers due to the ongoing effects of Covid and droughts on the local economy.

The work of the Burkitt's Lymphoma (BL) Project continued, offering financial for children travelling to Kampala for life-saving treatment. The links established with the major cancer treatment centres, in UCI Kampala, Gulu, and Soroti Regional Referral Hospital were maintained. Several patients presented themselves and were funded to travel to UCI in Kampala to receive treatment. One child who presented after suffering for some time, was funded to travel to the Uganda Cancer Institute, where treatment began, but sadly the child died. His body was returned to Soroti of burial.

Ashiraf, an 8 year old boy, was identified with a serious heart defect during the Pop Up Clinics held in July 2019. SaltPeter Trust teamed with Morning Star, a US based charity, and jointly funded transport for him and his mother to Bangalore in India where he had open heart surgery. Both returned to Soroti, Uganda in December 2021, and Ashiraf's recovery was monitored at SBMC during 2022 and 2023. He is now in school and progress has been good.

Felix, an 8 year old boy was referred to Soroti Regional Referral Hospital for a colostomy, and returns to Soroti Baptist Medical Centre for regular checkups. He is now 14, doing well, and benefitting from a regular supply of colostomy bags sent from the UK.

Other patients from the Pop Up Clinics now benefit from regular monitoring and the supply of medication from the Medical Centre.

Occasional support for a teenage mother started in spring 2023, with food for her & her child, medical treatment and educational training.

One of the 2023 team was a Ophthalmic surgeon, and we added eye tests for those attending our clinics. Ready reader glasses were dispensed to those in need. Many with cataracts were identified. Contact was made with the local Ophthalmic surgeon in Soroti Regional Referral Hospital, and through the year, an MOU was developed with her department. Cataract surgeries began in 2024.

Soroti Baptist Church.

The Pastor is one of those supported by SaltPeter Trust, and assistance was given to repair the roof of his office, and to print training documents for the benefit of the members.

Education: 5 children/young people continued receive financial support for education from SaltPeter Trust, following the reopening of schools in February 2022:

- 1 in Primary
- 1 completed O levels in Secondary
- 1 completed A levels in Secondary
- 1 completed course in Construction & started a diploma in Architecture
- 1 graduated in Education and started work as a teacher

Monthly Support continued for 4 full time Pastors, plus occasional support for a fifth. All are involved in promoting SPT's work in their area. Support also continued for one SPT graduate who is involved in essential guidance and support for the agricultural projects.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Most income is specific project related & once received is transferred to projects or educational establishments at regular intervals as required. Where money may accumulate it is put into accessible interest bearing accounts. In addition, a large sum of money has been given for a specific children's cancer project which is ongoing, with funds deposited in a savings account.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

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)	Ian William Flower	Helen Margaret Flower
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	20 October 2024	

Financial Statement SaltPeter Trust Charity no 1119275 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Income 2023	Expenditure 2023
General	2,203.53	546.50
Pastor & Education Support	5,920.00	10,033.50
SBMC Support	2,194.18	5,419.27
EFOD	971.00	794.00
Pop Up Clinics & Trip	15,567.84	16,494.45
Burkitts Lymphoma	591.77	942.00
Gift Aid Refund	3,908.75	

TOTALS	31,357.07	34,229.72
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Bank Balance on 1/1/23	90,253.41
Income in 2023	31,357.07
Subtotal	121,610.48
Less Expenditure in 2023	34,229.72

Total	87,380.76
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Bank Accounts	31/12/2022	31/12/2023
146 Community Account	1,448.64	2,333.14
427 Education & Pastor Support	589.84	517.67
529 Trip Account	11,110.06	11,067.13
624 Cows/BH/ Burkitts	62,489.04	62,288.81
960 IAS	14,615.83	11,174.01

Total	90,253.41	87,380.76
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Non Cash Assets at 31/12/23	0.00
Liabilities at 31/12/23	0.00
Bank Balance at 31/12/23	87,380.76

TOTAL ASSETS	87,380.76
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
SaltPeter Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

31/12/23

Charity no
(if any)

1119275

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 31December 2023

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
- 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:

23/10/2024

Name:

Martin David Thole

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

Chartered Accountant (ACA)

Address:

6, Patmore Close,

Gwaelod y Garth,
Cardiff, CF15 9SU.

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.