



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.04.24 Period start date To 31.03.25 Period end date

Charity name: New Life Nyambene

Charity registration number: 1122048

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the people of the Nyambene Hills or elsewhere in Kenya.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Supporting the rehabilitation and wellbeing of the abandoned street children in our care and providing them with access to the educational opportunities that are their best chance of escaping destitution.2. Ongoing fundraising activity in the UK.3. Raising awareness of the issues affecting street children and other people in Kenya affected by famine and destitution.4. Monitoring ongoing legal proceedings to protect the charity's interests.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	As is shown by the activities listed above, the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All work carried out for the Charity in the UK is on a voluntary basis, mainly by Trustees.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sponsorship level largely maintained. 2. Furthering the Charity's purpose for the public benefit. 3. Applying for the fourth time for matched funding through The Big Give Christmas Challenge, which resulted in total donations of over £10,000 (including Gift Aid). 4. Other successful fundraising efforts, leading to a further significant improvement in bank balances, which are planned to be used to purchase land in the region of the Nyambene Hills for the construction of a new home for the children in the Charity's care. 5. Continued significant improvement in the care and education of the children through the efforts of the Charity's relatively new manager in Kenya (she was appointed in October 2022), who has established excellent relations with both staff and children. 6. Progress towards establishing a charitable trust in Kenya (finally incorporated in the year 2025-26).

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity ended the financial year in a relatively strong financial position, with reserves representing close to 12 months' normal expenditure.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Charity aims to hold reserves equivalent to 6 months' expenditure, given its reliance on one-off donations
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Reserves at 31.03.25 were £57,018.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no uncertainties about the Charity continuing as a going concern. If income decreases for any reason, this will affect the number of children the Charity can support and/or the level of school or college fees the Charity can afford, but this is not expected in the foreseeable future.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Approximately a third of the Charity's income comes from regular donations, and the rest from one-off gifts. In 2024, the Charity participated in The Big Give Christmas Challenge for the fourth time.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed (GD2)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed dated 29.11.2007 (as amended by Deed dated 01.09.2011 and further amended by Deed dated 14.02.2017)
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Invited/selected by current Trustees

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Trustees follow the guidance material provided by the Charity Commission.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	As normal routine, staff in Kenya undergo continuing review and training in data management, governance and child protection policies.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	New Life Nyambene
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1122048
Charity's principal address	5 Bridge Hill House, Higham Lane, Bridge, Canterbury, Kent CT4 5AY.

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	Miriam Westendarp	Chair		
2	Lyn Williams	Treasurer		
3	Luke Westendarp			
4	John Downey			
6	Jane Murungi			
7	Duncan Murungi			

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

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s) Miriam Jean Westendarp

**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Chair	
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Date

25th January 2025

NEW LIFE NYAMBENE (Registered Charity No. 1122048)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2025

Income & Expenditure Account (£)

	Year Ended 31.03.25	Year Ended 31.03.24
Income		
Regular giving	17,938	16,302
Special gifts and appeals (see note 1 below)	53,585	33,557
Interest receivable	300	91
	<u>71,823</u>	<u>49,950</u>
 Gift Aid receivable	 4,740	 4,706
Total Income	<u>76,563</u>	<u>54,656</u>
 Expenditure		
Children's Project (see note 2 below)	52,910	38,452
Legal fees and expenses (see note 3 below)	225	0
Fundraising costs (see note 1 below)	4,593	1,819
Travel costs to/from and within Kenya	3,427	1,843
Publicity costs	220	130
Zoom subscription	156	120
Other	0	40
	<u>61,531</u>	<u>42,403</u>
 Surplus of Income over Expenditure	<u>15,031</u>	<u>12,252</u>

Balance Sheet (£)

	As at 31.03.25	As At 31.03.24
Land and Buildings	11,481	11,481
Bank Balances	42,174	27,497
Debtor - HMRC (Gift Aid)	3,363	3,008
Funds Available	<u>57,018</u>	<u>41,986</u>
 Represented by :-		
Balance brought forward	41,986	29,734
Current year surplus	15,031	12,252
Total Reserves	<u>57,018</u>	<u>41,986</u>

Notes

1. The charity was fortunate to receive several substantial one-off donations from various charitable foundations and trusts. Many of these came through third-party fundraisers, giving rise to the increased fundraising costs.
2. For much of 2023-24, the charity benefitted from a significant (c.30%) depreciation of the Kenyan Shilling versus the British pound, reducing the cost of our Kenyan operations in Sterling terms. The Kenyan Shilling has reversed much of this depreciation during 2024-25, causing much of the increase in our costs in that year.
3. The legal fees incurred related to a document that needed to be notarised to enable a charitable trust ("New Life Nyambene Trust") to be incorporated in Kenya.

Prepared By:  N.L.T. Williams

Hon.Treasurer & Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS OF NEW LIFE NYAMBENE

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of New Life Nyambene

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on page 1.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.


Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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14th January 2026