

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 06	Month 04	Year 2020		Day 05	Month 04	Year 2021

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name An African Dream

Other names charity is known by AAD

Registered charity number (if any) 1123231

Charity's principal address 27 Lower Lodge Lane

Hazlemere

High Wycombe

Postcode

HP15 7AT

### 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	Mr Dennis Preston	Chair		Trustees
2	Mr Tony Watkin	Treasurer		Trustees
3	Mrs Elizabeth Edmondson-Smith			Trustees
4	Mr Robert Smith			Trustees
5	Mr Trevor Cook			Trustees
6	Mrs Charlotte Callicot			Trustees
7	Ms Sam Pink			Trustees
8	Mrs Sophie Campbell-Wynter		From 06/02/21	Trustees
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	A Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	A Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by 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.

The following two policies continued unamended

- Financial Policy and Guidance
- Anti-Corruption Policy

A minor amendment was made to

- Safeguarding Policy

The charity carries out DBS checks for everyone going on trips to Uganda

A new policy is being worked on for setting up and managing micro-enterprise projects.

## Section C Objectives and activities

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

The relief of poverty, sickness, and distress, primarily but not exclusively in the East Kasese District of Western Uganda



Education of Children

Training of Pastors

Support of Widows

Provision of Healthcare

Support of Christian Youth work

Visits from Trustees and supporters to further the aims and objectives, are currently on hold due to the Covid 19 pandemic

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

In February/March 2020 countries all around the world began to shut their borders to travel. This meant that no visits were possible for the year 2020-21. Additionally on May 7<sup>th</sup> severe flooding occurred in the communities that we serve and the main access bridge over the river between Kyanya and Ibanda was washed away. Also, many houses and some churches were damaged beyond repair, and much land was flooded. Consequently, the Trustees set up a community crisis relief fund to provide emergency aid and relief. Several fundraising efforts took place and substantial fund raised for this purpose.

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**

Education

- St Marks remained closed throughout this year, with the exception of some P6 and P7 exam student who were allowed in for exam revision.
- We continued to send funding for food for the orphans which Pastor Lumika distributed on our behalf, and funds were sent at Christmas to provide some new clothes.
- The support funds that we sent were distributed among all teachers so that none went hungry.

Pastors Training/Youth work

- Most pastor training and youthwork has been on hold during the pandemic, but the local Teens Leader, Wilson started preaching from home using loudhailers, which AAD funded. Pastor Lumika then extended this by setting up loudhailers at Maliba church. As well as Christian teaching, they invite in local community leaders and the police to use the facility to put overuseful community-based teaching.

Micro-enterprise

- The Sani-pads continued to be produced under the direction of Wilson, the Teens' leader.
- The Anti-mosquito soap and candle making, and the jewellery projects have made slow progress, not helped by Felistis trying to move the base to Kasese. The tailoring project has however made good progress in the year and several girls have been trained up and we hope to send them out on their own shortly.
- Some training in marketing, and finances for their products took place, and the Trustee began to invoke stricter rules regarding providing business plans before offering funding.

Buildings

- Funds were provided to complete the windows and doors, and also the floor to the new St Marks Memorial Hall, (SMMH). This meant the hall could be used for exams, although there is still detailed finishing work to do with plastering and decoration.
- Two further new roofs at Kamwani and Minana churches were completed in summer 2020 and early 2021 respectively

Health Work

- No specific health work took place in 2020-21 due the pandemic, so Trustees agreed to send our medication that was previously purchased for health days to St Paul's clinic in Kasese who carry out the health work for us.
- Some of the social and sex education teaching that would normally be done in school was done via the loudhailers.

Trustee Visits

- The coronavirus outbreak that was notified in early March 2020 has curtailed any trips in 2020-21 and for the foreseeable future.



Community Relief

- The charity agreed to support about 70 refugee families who were being put up at St Marks School with medical aid and blankets, following the floods.
- Subsequently the charity agreed to support two families made homeless by the floods by funding their rent for 12 months until they could get back on their feet.
- Funding was sent on several occasions to provide food for widows in the community, and also for pastors, who were not receiving their usual income or training.

## Section E

## Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

AAD operates without any overheads and is a natural conduit of donations flowing through to Uganda from the UK. As such there is no requirement other than the temporary targeting of specific project requirements and for obtaining short term interest on deposit accounts with instant access to build reserves.

Notwithstanding the above the Trustees agreed in September 2010 to keep in reserve a sum to cover 50% of one year's wages for teachers at St Marks. This is currently about £5,000.00

**Details of any funds materially in deficit****Further financial review details (Optional information)**

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

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

AAD's principal source of funding is from individuals, schools, and churches.

There was one significant fundraising event in May 2020. The church in Christchurch that two of the trustees attend put an online quiz on which raised circa £5,000.00 with gift aid. A further quiz was held in November 2020

We have a single donor who continues to provide funding for one or two church roofs each year. In addition, a private donor is also supporting YeYe's son through his mechanic's course.

We have received occasional donations from other charitable trusts and large organisations or schools.

The charity receives a substantial regular annual donation specifically to fund travel for Trustees visits, in order to enable Trustees on low income to visit and carry out tasks on behalf of the Charity, and to be able to afford the more expensive but safer private transfers. In 2021 the donors said that due to the pandemic, and lack of travel, these funds may be spent elsewhere as the Trustees approve.

Section F

Other optional information

No Trustee meetings in person were possible during 2020-21, however several meetings were held over Zoom notably to discuss issues around the flooding crisis. Notes and/or minutes were taken of all such meetings.

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>D. Preston</i>	<i>A. J. Watkin</i>
Full name(s)	Dennis Preston	Anthony John Watkin
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	16/12/2021	





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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from

04/06/2020

To

04/05/2021

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
St Marks Bldg Devt	-	-	-	-	-
Orphan	-	16,267	-	16,267	14,879
General	-	-	-	-	-
Pastors	-	210	-	210	210
Pastor Resources	-	-	-	-	-
Widows	-	-	-	-	-
Church Buildings	-	5,750	-	5,750	3,900
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Teens	-	-	-	-	-
Teachers	-	-	-	-	-
School Resources	-	30	-	30	147
Admin	-	-	-	-	-
Team Expenses	-	50	-	50	500
Medical Aid	-	340	-	340	260
Trustee	-	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Enterprise	-	520	-	520	1,771
Marketing	-	44	-	44	-
Secondary school orphans	-	250	-	250	1,877
Nursery	-	50	-	50	1,960
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Land	-	-	-	-	-
Community support	-	11,575	-	11,575	-
Not restricted	15,528	-	-	15,528	17,832
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>15,528</b>	<b>37,086</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,614</b>	<b>45,336</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>15,528</b>	<b>37,086</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,614</b>	<b>45,336</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
St Marks Bldg Devt	11,199	-	-	11,199	-
Orphans and teachers	-	15,810	-	15,810	16,585
General	-	-	-	-	-
Pastors	3,513	210	-	3,723	3,822
Pastor Resources	-	-	-	-	813
Widows	2,911	-	-	2,911	1,650
Church Buildings	-	5,615	-	5,615	3,887
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Spare	-	-	-	-	-
Teachers	-	-	-	-	-
School Resources	74	30	-	104	200
Admin	517	-	-	517	470
Team Expenses	161	50	-	211	834
Medical Aid	783	340	-	1,123	3,953
Trustee	-	-	-	-	780
Enterprise	248	520	-	768	2,055
Marketing	103	44	-	147	151
Secondary school orphans	1,328	250	-	1,578	3,487
Teens	-	807	-	807	1,250
Land	-	-	-	-	1,273
Community support	-	7,525	-	7,525	-
Not restricted	520	-	-	520	53
Balance awaiting allocation	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>21,357</b>	<b>31,201</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,558</b>	<b>41,263</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>21,357</b>	<b>31,201</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,558</b>	<b>41,263</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 5,829</b>	<b>5,885</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>4,073</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>- 1,297</b>	<b>1,297</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>11,174</b>	<b>13,640</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,814</b>	<b>20,741</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>4,048</b>	<b>20,822</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,870</b>	<b>24,814</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>	CAF Bank Ltd - Current A/c	1,309	14,488	-
	CAF Bank Ltd - Gold A/c	2,739	6,334	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	4,048	20,822	-
		OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

A. J. Watkin  
D. Preston

A Watkin  
D Preston

12/12/2021  
16/12/2021



## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of an African Dream**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

### **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.

Name: Stephen Chater

Relevant professional qualification or body: FCMA

Address: 2 Maxwell Drive, High Wycombe, Bucks HP15 7BX

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021