



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Charity name: WATSAN Uganda: UK Support

Charity registration number: 1123803

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The provision of safe, clean water supplies, improved sanitation and hygiene education to the communities of south-west Uganda, with the aim of reducing poverty; principally in the districts of Rukungiri and Kanungu.
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	In Uganda, project definition and management of community water and sanitation construction projects in the districts of Rukungiri and Kanungu, accompanied by concurrent health and hygiene education and operational training programmes amongst beneficiaries in schools and local communities. In the UK, management support, project review, fundraising and transmission of funds for the projects undertaken by our partners in Uganda.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in running the charity in 2023. All projects commissioned have provided benefit to local communities in Uganda.

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	
	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers		
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	<p>IN THE UK</p> <p>The Trustees met in person in April and October, and held two shorter online meetings in January and June. We have continued to keep a close eye on the management and financing of the project work in Uganda. During this year we continued to obtain direct online input and participation from our Ugandan partner Field Director and his assistant.</p> <p>Our vice chair of trustees visited the team in Uganda for two weeks in June.</p> <p>Our long-standing secretary has stepped down, although remains an active trustee. We have as yet been unsuccessful at securing a replacement.</p> <p>There were successful fundraising initiatives, including an auction of promises, and 8 dispersed Walks for Water. In total the initiatives and allocated donations raised £19,161 specifically for the Kazuru gravity flow scheme, although we still did not have sufficient funds to be able to commence the project this year. These funds were deposited in the savings account to accrue interest until we have sufficient funds to commission the Kazuru project.</p> <p>Total income for the year was £77,911. A total of £48,798 was despatched to the field.</p> <p>Project management costs, in support of the activities undertaken by our Ugandan partner, as described below, were met to the sum of £30,312. These included management staff salaries, office costs, design work for resizing the Kazuru gravity flow scheme and the cost of the annual audit.</p> <p>Direct contributions were sent to the field for the protection of six springs (£9,399) plus £9,086 for general sustainability work, including following up on 14 previously constructed projects.</p>

		<p>£369 was spent on administration, publicity and fundraising, including expenses for one of our trustees to attend a conference of EU Christian humanitarian and development organisations and their global partners.</p> <p>IN UGANDA</p> <p>An independent audit of the programme and accounts for the year ended 30 September, 2022, was funded, and completed in June this year.</p> <p>The Bwanga Hill water and sanitation project was completed and commissioned in March 2023, although the funding for it was sent to the field during 2022.</p> <p>Construction work that was carried out during 2023 included sanitation facilities at Kinyasano Child Development Centre with over 2,400 children, staff and family beneficiaries.</p> <p>4 new springs were constructed at Kyemengo, Kigina, Marumba and Nyabunogo, the last of which was extended through pipework to supply a nearby community. Two important springs were reconstructed at Kinyasano Junction and Kashsha, both around 25 years after their original construction.</p> <p>Within our sustainability programme, apart from the springs mentioned above, visits were undertaken to 14 existing projects during which repairs were carried out. Local management problems were identified and assistance was given towards their resolution.</p>
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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	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>As a small charity working with partners in south west Uganda we face the risk of unexpected need for additional funds, or the possibility of a sharply reduced income from our supporters due to global or UK financial downturns. We review the latest financial position, forecasts and reserves held at each meeting of the Trustees.</p> <p>Reserves can be used when a significant risk materialises in any year.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£5,000
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	N/A

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	Financial support is gathered in the UK through churches, individual donations, fundraising events and from other charitable trusts. The total raised in 2023 was £77,911.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
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
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
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	Appointed by a resolution of trustees at a special meeting, as set out in the trust deed

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	WATSAN Uganda: UK Support
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1123803
Charity's principal address	11, Castle Lane, Solihull B92 8DB

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	Andrew Murray Maclean			
2	Eleanor Bensted			
3	Kate Elizabeth Parrinder			
4	Ian Herbert Bensted	Chair		
5	Graham Philip Piper	Vice Chair		
6	Alison Jane Fergusson	Treasurer		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

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

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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)

	
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Full name(s)

IAN HERBERT BENGSTED	ALISON JANE FERGUSSON
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)
Chair

Treasurer

Date

16.09.24



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations including gift aid	58,352	-	-	58,352	40,017
Donations for specific projects, including gift aid		19,161	-	19,161	10,409
Bank Interest	399	-	-	399	21
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	58,751	19,161	-	77,911	50,448
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	58,751	19,161	-	77,911	50,448
A3 Payments					
Transfers to team in Uganda	48,798	-	-	48,798	68,470
Training		-	-	-	62
Membership of charity network	100	-	-	100	100
Expenses - fund raising events	-	-	-	-	578
Bank charges	74	-	-	74	83
Expenses - publicity	-	-	-	-	642
Expenses - conference expenses	196	-	-	196	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	49,167	-	-	49,167	69,934
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	49,167	-	-	49,167	69,934
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,584	19,161	-	28,744	- 19,486
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	13,207	10,542	-	23,750	43,236
Cash funds this year end	22,791	29,703	-	52,494	23,750

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				
	In HSBC Bank Accounts	22,791	29,703	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,791	29,703	-

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

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>I. Bensted</i>	IAN HERBERT BENSTED	16.09.24
<i>A. J. Fergusson</i>	ALISON FERGUSSON	16.09.24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
WATSAN UGANDA: UK SUPPORT

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1123803

Set out on pages

CC16a

(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 31 / 12 / 2023.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 2/8/2024

Name:

REBECCA PATERSON

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

ACCA

Address:

114 FRANKLIN ROAD, BIRMINGHAM, B30 2HF

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.