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African Women's Aid Network (AWAN)

**Annual Report & Financial Statements
For the year ended 30th June 2021**

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ETHOS, ETHICS & MISSION STATEMENT

AWAN was founded in 2009 by Brice Burgum & Joni Bather (deceased). In the UK we run with 2 volunteers and 2 trustees. In Kenya we have 1 trustee that receives a nominal wage. In Uganda we also have the same.

We chose to work with women and children as we felt that in the area we going to operate in, East Africa, they were in a most disadvantaged situation. At the same time they had a great ability to improve their situation if given the opportunity.

We resolved from the outset that we would organize in such away as to minimize all administration costs and salaries. We want the maximum income generated to have a direct impact on those it is intended to benefit.

We are non denominational.. Whilst we do respect and encourage our members and recipients in their chosen faith we do not preach. Nor do we judge or discriminate in any way

Our mission is to enable women, often with children, and lone children, orphans and street children, who are in the most difficult situations, often as a result of horrific past events, (Child soldiers, rape victims, war victims, disabled, street children) to improve their lot in life by being able to support themselves rather than spend a lifetime dependent upon aid. We do this by first giving immediate support and then setting them up with a small business (micro finance) or finding suitable work for them and if needed providing education for themselves and /or children.

Since 2017 we have been concentrating on providing shelter and loving homes for orphan street children in Kampala.

As of 2021 we have 64 children in our children's village (Eden Children's Village) in Kampala. Ages range from 12 months to 18 yrs. All are attending school, many with bursaries. A proportion of the secondary school children are at boarding school, this being a more economical option.

Trustees Report for July 2019 - June 2020

Fundraising.

Again our income was a little down this year. Almost all of our income comes from our trustees. We also sell on the internet. One of our trustees consults to a major company and rather than salary a donation is made to us.

UGANDA PROJECTS

During this period we have been able to sustain our key projects though funding is a constant source of concern for us.

1. **The Eden Childrens Village.** This project is advancing, we have around 65 children now. Run by one of our trustees and her family. We provided the seed funding for this and also obtained several direct donors, one of our trustees in the UK and several donors in Kampala. A little more land was acquired this year for accommodation and there are around 65 children ranging in age from around 12 months to 17yrs, 70% female. There are also some boys beyond school age who work in a small fruit farm that we started. They farm passion fruit that is sold wholesale into the local market. Our small pig farm is also providing income and now has around 45 pigs. However we are not comfortable rearing livestock for meat and at an appropriate time will close this activity
The 'Swamp Farm' is constantly providing food and income for the project. We have now added a second small pool and changed to farming catfish as the turnaround is faster.

At the children's village we have 400 laying hens in a barn setup where they are free to roam. The children look after them. They provide a good source of protein for the children and the remainder are sold on.

Our car wash is a bit hit and miss and we have it under review. This employs 4 older street boys who can now look after themselves. We give them accommodation on site

We have a number of properties that are rented out at affordable rents, this bringing in much needed local income.

Any income generated locally in Uganda is independent of the UK operation

Kenya

We are supporting around 4 families with a total of 20 people at the moment. 2 ladies are HIV and the anti retro viral medicine is not free most of the time. It is hoped that we will be able to bring them to a point of fully supporting themselves in the next few years. We will then concentrate our efforts on other areas

FUTURE PROJECTS

The Uganda projects will continue to become self financing. They are about $\frac{3}{4}$ there now.

We are finding it difficult to start successful projects in Kenya due to corruption difficulties but will keep it under review. We did set up 2 Posho Mills in Voi, on the same night one was stolen and the other burnt to the ground.

Any comments and help with the work we are doing would be most welcome. We are a small charity with at the moment very limited funds – but we ensure that every penny is effective.

We will be happy to send a DVD with video, photo's and documents connected with our work to anyone who feels they may like to help or know more.

African Women's Aid Network Independent Examiner's Report

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31th May 2021 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and the Independent examiner

As the charities trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts: you consider the audit requirement of s.43 (2) of the Charities act 1993 does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the general directions given by the charity Commission under s.43(7)(b) of the Act whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiners statement

My examination was carried out in Accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and the 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 require audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiners statement

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

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirement to:
 - keep accounting records in accordance with s.41 of the act and
 - prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met: or
- (ii) 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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African Women's Aid Network
Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30th June 2019

Incoming resources.	£
Sale of Donated Items & Value added items	87039
Misc Income	96
Donations	8900

Total Incoming resources	96035
 Resources Expended	
Project Costs expended in East Africa (Kenya £18,000,Uganda £22,299) Approx.	54938
Transport & Fuel costs	382
Office (Inc Admin & Phones) & other materials	1728
Carriage & Postage	21008
Purchase of materials for adding value	12831
Adjustment	
eBay fees	767
Misc	1289

Total Resources Expended	92943

Balance B/fwd 1st July 2020	1214
Balance C/fwd 30th June 2021	995

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities for the year ended 30th June 2019

	Funds
	£
Current Assets	
Cash at Bank and in Hand	995

Net Current assets	995

The funds of the Charity:	
Income funds	995

Total Charity Funds	995

This financial statement was approved by the trustees of African Women's Aid Network

On.....29th March...2022
 And signed on their behalf by:

Brice Burgum

B.F. Burgum
 Trustee

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African Women's Aid Network
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 30th June 2019

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation of the accounts

The financial statements are prepared on an ongoing basis, under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of recommended practice, "Accounting & Reporting by Charities" and any applicable legislation.

Incoming resources.

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amounts can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on a cash basis and has been included under expenses categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Administrative expenditure relates to costs incurred in running and managing the charity.

Funds

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for specific purposes.

Status

African Women's Aid Network is a registered charity (with charitable aims & objectives) with the Charity Commission Reg No. 1133118