

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
From	Period start date			To	Period end date	
	01	09	2021		31	08

## Section A Reference and administration details

<b>Charity name</b>	Nakuru Children's Project
<b>Other names charity is known by</b>	N/A
<b>Registered charity number (if any)</b>	1145739
<b>Charity's principal address</b>	36 Wellington Walk
	Henleaze
	Bristol
<b>Postcode</b>	BS10 5ET

### 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	Rebecca Siddall			
2	Zoe Kelland			
3	Annemarieke Blanckstein			
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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
Financial	Percy Kelland	36 Wellington Walk, Henleaze, Bristol BS10 5ET

**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.
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 prevent and relieve poverty and destitution for children and young adults and their families in Kenya as the trustees shall determine.

To advance, promote and assist in the provision of education of people under the age of 25 years in Kenya.

**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)**

The protection and promotion of good health of children and young people under the age of 25 in Kenya by the particular but not exclusively by the provision of medical services.

This period was characterised by a gradual recovery from the coronavirus pandemic: our programmes returned to normal, but in a context of heightened need with inflation running high and many families struggling with incomes that remained lower than pre-pandemic levels.

We were proud to continue our free school meal programme at Nyathuna Primary School, providing nutritious hot meals to 180 pupils from vulnerable and low-income backgrounds. Meanwhile, our daily porridge programme at Muriundu Primary School supplied daily cups of 'uji' to 60 nursery school and special needs pupils.

73 students were sponsored in their secondary education, supported with costs like school, meal and exam fees, and uniforms, books, and school trips. In addition, our social workers provided mentoring and emotional support, and all students were invited to attend life skills sessions in their school holidays.

Ongoing efforts were made to develop our plot of land, beginning to grow our own crops and preparing for construction of a community kitchen, offices, educational facilities and beyond. This work will enable us to scale our impact into the future, meeting our goal of serving 3,000 free school meals per week by 2025.

Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

#### **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.

## **Section D**

## **Achievements and performance**

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Our free school meal and porridge programmes continued to support pupils to attend class, perform better in exams, and grow up healthily. During this period, we provided an estimated 23,350 nutritious meals to pupils at Nyathuna Primary School, including those from low-income families, orphans, and those vulnerable to dropping out of school.

*"Since the year has not received rain at the expected times, a food crisis is looming. Just the other day, the cooks found a little boy eating food that had dropped on the floor from the kitchen. It was such a sad picture we had to include him in the programme" — Ruth Wairimu, Food Programme Manager.*

The need was heightened by rising inflation on food prices, with the majority of families across Kenya feeling the pinch. In this context, we are particularly grateful to be able to provide the stability of a good meal every day to children who need it.

*"Families that were better off are crying out at the financial strain being experienced all over the country. However, the programme has ensured that parents are not strained in providing lunch for their kids. As they come to school, the assurance of a full plate of a nutritious meal ensure that there is no thought of absenteeism." — Ruth Wairimu, Food Programme Manager.*

Our free school meals programme provided wages for three cooks — Rachel, Peter and Jane — to enable them to support their families with dignity. In addition, when Jane's daughter was hospitalised following a traffic accident we were proud to provide a one-off contribution of KES 10,000 towards the medical bills.

Meanwhile, at Muriundu Primary School we supplied a total of 7,560 cups of 'uji' to children in their nursery and special needs classes, improving health outcomes and incentivising school attendance.

Our secondary school sponsorship programme has continued to grow — with a total of 182 students offered the chance to attend secondary education by August 2022. In April, we were very proud to see 14 students graduate with their Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) and to be able take in 17 new students. Our top student was Michael Obutinda with an A- average grade — placing him in the top 1% of all students nationwide! In addition, we were able to help three students attend college or university, covering costs like tuition fees, accommodation and purchase of laptops to assist with studying.

*"When I grow up, I would like to get a better job and help others because even me I am being helped. I don't know how to thank you for if it's not for your help, I don't know where I would have been right now." — Dorcas, 16 years old.*

We continued to lay ground-work for our community hub in Bahati: constructing fences, a site-house and latrines in preparation for its development and harvesting our first crop of maize in July 2022. We produced 792kgs — a quantity that will supply our free school meals programme for 36 weeks! Meanwhile, we underwent necessary steps to secure relevant planning permissions to realise our long-term vision to construct a kitchen from which to deliver 3,000 meals per week by 2025.

## Section E Financial review

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

We reviewed our financial reserves policy in September 2021 and maintained reserves levels at £32,000. This is designed to cover nine months' of our free school meals programme at our partner schools, the wages of our social worker for four months, and the immediate cash flow needs of our sponsorship programme. Our reserves policy aims to safeguard the interests of our beneficiaries by minimising the risks associated with any unplanned reduction in income, or closure. This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis in line with our financial year.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A.

### 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.

N/A.


## Section F Other optional information

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## Section G Declaration

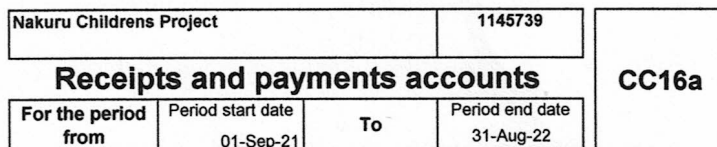
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Zoe Kelland	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	

**Date**

25 June 2023



	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total funds	Last year
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<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Food programme	14,492	1,877	-	16,369	10,949
Child sponsorship- secondary education		27,911	-	27,911	21,930
School classroom construction costs	452		-	452	-
Other construction costs	-	-	-	-	-
Land development	410	4,182		4,591	623
Covid 19		-		-	-
Other charitable costs	2,006	-	-	2,006	1,466
Bank fees and website costs	727	-	-	727	403
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>18,087</b>	<b>33,969</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>62,056</b>	<b>35,370</b>

<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	18,087	33,969	-	52,056	35,370

<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	16,238	-	7,617	-	8,621	26,504
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	4,715	4,715	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	38,166		10,544	-	48,710	22,206
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	49,690		7,641	-	57,331	48,710

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment
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Categories	Details	funds to nearest £	funds to nearest £	funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Barclays Bank account	49,690	7,641	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	49,690	7,641	-

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

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### Details

Fund to which  
asset belongs

**Cost (optional)**

**Current value  
(optional)**

**B3 Investment assets**

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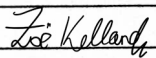
**B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use**

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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**B5 Liabilities**

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	ZOE KELLAND	

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Nakuru Childrens Project**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 August 2022, which are set out above.

**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  
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**

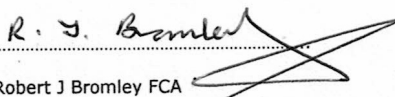
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(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  
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.

  
Robert J Bromley FCA  
Chartered Accountant

25/6/2023

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