

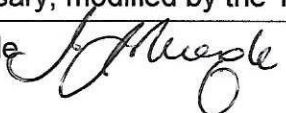
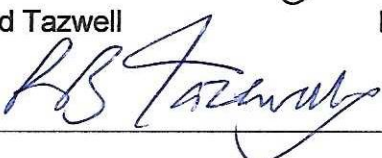
Poole-Wau Partnership Charitable Trust

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21

Section	Comment
Charity Name	Poole-Wau Partnership Charitable Trust
Registered Charity No.	1147425
Principal Address	St Dunstan's Church Office Poole Road, Upton, Poole. Dorset BH16 5JA
Names of Charity Trustees	Chairman: Jeffrey Neagle Secretary: Rev Penny Draper Rev Christopher Strain Richard Tazewell
Name and address of Independent Examiner	Prof. Richard Roberts, MBE 25 Wellington Road Poole Dorset BH14 9LF
Type of Governing Document	Trust Deed (adopted 6 th October 2011) Objects amended by Trust Deed (adopted 11 May 2020)
How the charity is constituted	Trust (see above).
Charity Trustee selection methods	Appointed, by the existing trustees, from Churches within the Church of England Deanery of Poole and North Bournemouth, unless specialist skills are required
The objects of the charity (as from 11 May 2020) – as set out in its governing document	The Charity supports the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (ECSS), Diocese of Wau, in the Republic of South Sudan. The objects of the Charity ("the Objects"), in respect of the Diocese of Wau, are: 1. The advancement of religion a. through the development of partner relationships between the Deanery of Poole and North Bournemouth in the Diocese of Salisbury in the Church of England and the Church in Wau as defined below. b. enabling visits between the UK and Wau c. helping the church in Wau to build, extent and maintain premises, to pay staff, to acquire or maintain equipment and to maintain a technological presence and d. financial support for theological training 2. The advancement of education through the purchase of books, school materials and other equipment, the construction and maintenance of educational establishments and through the training, support and funding of teachers and students. 3. The relief of poverty through: a. financial assistance for working and retired clergy and lay members of the Church in Wau; and b. the provision of humanitarian and development aid 4. The advancement of human rights and promotion of racial harmony by encouraging inter-factional understanding and dialogue. 5. The advancement of health through the provision of medical resources and through funding and facilitating the training of medical professionals. The principal area of benefit is the Internal Province of Northern Bahr el Gazal of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan which contains the Diocese

	of Wau and whose centre is the town of Wau in the Republic of South Sudan ("the Church in Wau") and the inhabitants of this area. The Charity may also support the inhabitants in nearby states and in the United Kingdom. For Object 5 the area of benefit is the whole of South Sudan and its people.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	Fundraising, funding of projects, making grants to the ECSS Wau diocese, communication with the Wau diocese, visiting Wau (when practicable) to teach and monitor projects, and welcoming Wau clergy on visits to the UK.

Summary of the main achievements in relation to these objects	Poole-Wau Partnership has managed the effects of Covid and continued its work in most respects despite various lock-downs and restrictions. Throughout the period we continued to have well attended quarterly trustee meetings either via Zoom or in person when regulations allowed. This enabled us to make prompt decisions and continue to respond to events in Wau. Our communications with Wau have been maintained with a consistent flow of information both ways. Our prayer meetings have continued during the period both via Zoom and in person when permitted. In fact for a time we got more involvement via Zoom as those who were not able to travel connected via the internet. During the period we raised a total £35,880 which was excellent considering the Covid restrictions. Both individual and Church giving increased. We continued to support St John's Theological college by providing £17000 per year in two instalments . In additions we were able to give £5650 to other theological education – both to support female students at St John's and for university and college courses for several individuals. A donation of £2000 has been made to enable prisons and chaplaincy work by the church within Wau. We follow this with interest to see the effect of this support on the churches work . Our organisational income and support comes primarily from 4 churches which is disappointing considering that there are 23 churches within the Deanery. We have tried at various time to expand the level of active deanery interest in PWP but without much success. Despite Covid restrictions, we decided to run our Annual Fundraising Holes Bay walk. This was spread out over a week rather than on one day with the 21 participants walking when they chose This went very well and raised a commendable £2669. We have continued to produce an excellent quarterly newsletter which is circulated in soft copy to churches and supporters. During the year articles included a testimony from a 3rd Year theology student at St John's and one on Archbishop Moses peace mission. During the period PWP held its 10th anniversary. As we were unable to have a meeting to celebrate this we decided to produce and circulate a 10th Anniversary booklet. An informative booklet was produced by one of our trustees and circulated to all the Churches within the Deanery and also to supporters both within and outside of the Deanery. The booklet was very well received. There were several changes in personnel and responsibilities during this year. Mark Rathbone took over the production of the Newsletter from Richard Tazewell who had produced the Newsletter from its inception in 2011. Richard continues as a trustee and to advise on Communications. We also got a new treasurer to replace Paul Nicholas who had been treasurer since 2013. One of Andrew's first tasks was to select and set PWP up on a new fundraising platform. 'People's Giving ' was selected as the most appropriate site for our needs and this is proving very successful. During the period of this report we heard the sad news that Rev Carol Langford, a founder trustee of the charity , had died.
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Policy on reserves	The policy was reviewed and it was agreed that the Charity would maintain reserves of at least £500 for 'administrative purposes and any other emergency use'. As the Charity has no contractual commitments, no employees or assets to maintain, and minimal administration costs it was felt that this would be sufficient. The level of reserves will be reviewed by the Charity's officers at each trustees' meeting and the policy will be reviewed and, if necessary, modified by the Trustees at least annually.
Signatures	Chairperson - JJ Neagle  Date 18 May 2022 Trustee - Richard Tazwell  Date 18-5-22

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 6th October 2021

Year ending 6th October 2021				Prior Year
Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Incoming Resources				
Voluntary Income - from individuals	1	5,100	14,144	19,244
Voluntary Income - gift aid received	1	230	230	4,365
Voluntary Income - from organisations	1	5,288	8,406	13,694
Activities for generating funds	1	2,633	2,633	3,526
Sundry Income			0	20
Total Incoming Resources	3	13,251	22,550	35,801
Resources Expended				
Theological Education - St Johns		17,000	17,000	20,586
Theological Education - General		5,650	5,650	1,000
Education - School			0	0
Education - Other		6,600	6,600	6,513
Humanitarian Aid			0	0
Hardship Relief		2,000	2,000	0
Support for Wau Diocese		560	560	99
Bank Charges		136	136	100
Administration Costs		99	99	30
Total Resources Expended	3	17,795	14,250	32,045
Transfer from Unrestricted Funds	3	146	-146	0
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Funds		-4,398	8,154	3,756
Reconciliation of Funds				
Total Funds Brought Forward	3	14,081	1,402	15,483
Total Funds Carried Forward	2	9,683	9,556	19,239

Notes

- Given the nature of the charity's income, income is generally recognised only when received. An exception is made for Gift Aid income, which will be recognised when then claim is agreed by HM Revenue & Customs.
- The Reserves Policy of the charity is to maintain reserves of at least £500, but not exceeding £21,500 (two and a half times the half-yearly contribution that the charity voluntarily makes to St John's Theological College in Wau).
- Some of the funds of the charity were donated for specific purposes. These are shown as Restrcted Funds in the accounts. Movements in Restricted Funds are analysed in a detailed note (3) - shown below the Balance Sheet. These movements of Restricted Funds include bank charges where these were incurred solely for these (restricted) purposes.

Poole-Wau Partnership Charitable Trust
Balance Sheet as at 6th October 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Current Assets			
Cash at bank		19,139	15,483
Cash in hand		0	0
Gift Aid due from HM Revenue & Customs	1	0	0
Cheques & vouchers not yet paid in		100	0
		19,239	15,483
Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		0	0
		19,239	15,483
Net Assets / (Liabilities)			
Restricted income funds	3	9,556	1,402
General Fund		9,683	14,081
Total Funds		19,239	15,483

Note 3 - Movement in Restricted Funds During the Year

	Funds Brought Forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfer from General Fund	Funds Carried Forward
Theological Education - St Johns					
Female Students Feeding Fund	100	2,456			2,556
Theological Education - General					
Canon George Maliet Dut	0	1,500			1,500
ABp Moses flights	0	1,000	1,000		0
Angelina Aluong Riny (St Johns)	1,200	1,200	1,200		1,200
Rev Simon Deng	0	3,450	3,450		0
Education - School					
Piantok toilets	102			-102	0
Education - Other					
Priscilla Akuindik (via CMS)	0	3,594	2,750	-44	800
Mary Achol Dut (Midwife training at Mayen Jur)	0	5,350	1,850		3,500
Mayen Jur Sch teachers	0	1,000	1,000		0
Rev Martin Maror at Bp Gwyne	0	1,000	1,000		0
Hardship Relief					
Prison and hospital chaplaincy	0	2,000	2,000		0
Total Restricted Funds	1,402	22,550	14,250	-146	9,556

Expenditure on restricted purposes may be topped-up from the General Fund (a) to reflect small exchange rate differences; (b) to cover bank charges on transfers; and (c) where donors have requested that Gift Aid relating to donations is put towards the restricted purpose.

I approve these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant information and records.

Jeffrey Neagle (Chairperson)

For and on behalf of Poole-Wau Partnership Charitable Trust (registered charity number 1147425)

Dated :

18/5/22

25 Wellington Road
Poole
BH14 9LF

11th June 2022

To Whom it May Concern

Independent Review of the Poole-Wau Partnership Charitable Trust Accounts for the Year to October 2021

I am delighted to undertake this review for a further year and this short note indicates the review has been completed to my overall satisfaction. Based on the evidence presented to me, the supporters of the work of the Trust should be reassured that the funds raised are being used for charitable purposes outlined in the Trust Deed and that the accounting and governance arrangements are generally appropriate for a institution of this size.

As in previous years, the main focus of my review has been in the area of an accounting audit. I have:

- Examined the structure of the key accounting spreadsheets to ensure consistency and accuracy.
- Reconciled all the key entries with hard copy information such as bank statements, receipts and so.
- Paid particular attention to larger transactions in or out and any international payments.

Consistent with my overall conclusion, I have found no errors or omissions and the accounting records appear in good order.

I have two points to draw to the attention of the Trustees for consideration, one old and one new:

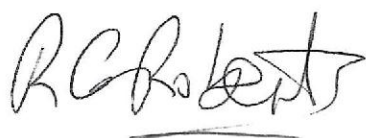
First, the policy on reserves. I raised this two years ago and I am glad to see that this is now an explicit policy and subject to regular review by the Trustees. My ongoing concern is that the current reserves figure is set at £500 to cover administrative expenses. I still remain of the view that a higher figure may be more appropriate to provide a buffer if income drops suddenly to ensure that planned charitable activity could continue or be phased out in an orderly fashion. I would be more comfortable with a figure closer to £3,000 which would be around 10% of the annual spend on school and theological education where most ongoing spending takes place.

Second, general governance matters. This is something I have not looked at in too much detail before, but a couple of points are worth discussion. Overall, I have no immediate concerns on governance arrangements, but I would suggest that, even for smaller Trusts, the general drift of expectation is for greater transparency and disclosure. The key risk in governance is complacency and the exclusion of new ideas and thinking. As part of this process, I advised last year I would stay on for another year to ensure continuity given the planned change in the Trust Treasurer. This change in Treasurer appears to have gone without a hitch and I will confirm now that it will be time to look for a new independent examiner by next year. I think going forward, you should change your independent examiner every 3 to 4 years.

In addition, looking wider into governance I do think some changes to your reporting information in the annual review etc might also be needed to meet the emerging expectation of more transparency. It is probably necessary now to identify how each Trustee meets the appointment criteria in the Trust Deed. I know this is not too onerous but, for example, even if a Rev. Is a Trustee how do we know he/she is a CofE minister or based in the appropriate geographical area? It is probably appropriate now to publish a register of interests for Trustees and so on. Finally, have you thought about having an independent Trustee? I believe the Deed gives you power to appoint one if needed with appropriate skills, such as in Trust legal matters. In making these suggestions I in no way want to suggest the current arrangements give me any immediate cause for concern. It could be any change you would introduce over a few years as opportunities arose but I am of the view that it would be a good thing to consider.

Once again, I congratulate the Trustees on the work they support and in the integrity of the records kept. I hope the work continues to thrive. While this is the last year for me, I am happy to liaise with my successors as independent examiner when you have identified someone for this role in coming months.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R C Roberts', with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Prof. Richard Roberts MBE