

Uganda Lodge Community Projects Trustee Report April 2022 to April 2023

The financial year 2022 to 2023 continued to be challenging, due to the continuing effects of the pandemic. The school we raise funds for reopened February 2022. The remainder of a grant from an American NGO which was awarded specifically to provide food for children was used in the first term of 2022 enabling the students to have a more varied diet including additional milk, fruit, vegetables and meat not normally affordable. However, this grant was not repeated and in terms 2 and 3, i.e. from April to December 2022, so we were only able to provide very basic food to the students. We still had over 450 students and by the end of 2022 50 primary 7 students all passed their Primary Leavers Exam (PLE).

In February 2023 (the start of the school year), we had almost 500 students enrolled in nursery and primary levels. Many are still finding it difficult to pay the requested low school fees, which are already subsidised by 50% by the UK charity. This means that we are actively continually fundraising and looking for more regular donors to fund the poorest children's education and not turn students who are unable to pay away.

ULCP was also able to assist keeping the Medical centre open, providing affordable essential medical services to local people and free medical care for the students of our supported school.

The Vocational centre we support re-opened after the pandemic, but students are still finding it difficult to even cover the cost of boarding, let alone tuition fees.

We are trying to fund the continuing construction of the dormitories for vocation students and a training kitchen/restaurant through the efforts of regular fundraising from a number of different individuals and groups, but this has been increasingly difficult over the last few years.

Now COVID restrictions have eased, volunteers have started to return, but not in the numbers we saw pre-pandemic. When volunteers visit the project, this usually attracts additional donations from friends and family, so we are looking forward to things improving in the next few years.

ULCP Charity Commission Final Accounts April 6th 2022 to April 5th 2023

INCOMES

Opening Bank Accounts	£685.24	
Sponsorship Gift-Aided	£12,380.50	
Sponsorship (Non-GiftAided)	£5,655.43	
Other Donations (Gift-Aided)	£21,360.77	
Other Donations (Non-Gift-Aided)	£32,881.92	
Accommodation & Safaris (Lodge)	£0.00	
Gift Aid from HMRC	£10,384.95	
Refunds	£0.00	
TOTAL INCOMES	£82,663.57	###

EXPENSES

Transferred to Uganda (For NGO)	£82,836.33	
Justgiving charges	£126.00	
Bank Charges	£0.00	
Transferred to Ruhanga Resource Account (Lodge)	£0.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	£82,962.33	
Closing Bank Balances	£386.48	

Uganda Lodge Accounts								
April 2022 to March 2023								
INCOMES								
	UGL Safaris/Acc	ULCP	TOTALS	Adjustment	adjustments	Total NGO Inco		
				(For Lodge Incr Interco Trfs)				
Opening Bank Accounts	0.00	685.24	685.24					685.24
Sponsorship Gift-Aided		12,380.50	12,380.50					12,380.50
Sponsorship (Non-GiftAided)		5,655.43	5,655.43					5,655.43
Other Donations (Gift-Aided)		21,360.77	21,360.77					21,360.77
Other Donations (Non-Gift-Aided)		25,381.92	25,381.92					25,381.92
Donations for Clinic (McNeil)		5,000.00	5,000.00					5,000.00
Donations for training restaurant (Bolton Halwa Centre)		2,500.00	2,500.00					2,500.00
Donations from LTHT		0.00	0.00					0.00
Gift Aid from HMRC		10,384.95	10,384.95					10,384.95
Gift Aid for LTHT		0.00	0.00					0.00
Transfer from Lodge Account		0.00	0.00					0.00
Safaris & Accommodation for Ruhanga Resource Centre		0.00	0.00			0.00		0.00
Refund from Bank		0.00	0.00					0.00
TOTAL INCOMES	0.00	82,663.57	82,663.57		0.00	0.00		82,663.57
EXPENSES								
								0.00
Tfr to Ruhanga Resource Centre account(Safari & Accom	0.00	0.00	0.00			0.00		0.00
Transferred to Uganda (For NGO)		82,836.33	82,836.33					82,836.33
Justgiving charges		126.00	126.00					126.00
Bank Charges		0.00	0.00					0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	0.00	82,962.33	82,962.33		0.00	0.00		82,962.33
Closing Bank Balance	0.00	386.48	386.48		0.00	0.00		386.48

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30th April 2023

The Trustees of Uganda Lodge Community Projects
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Dear Sirs,

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5th April 2023, which are set out on the adjoining page/s.

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and 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.

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.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention that have not been met; and

- 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
- 2) 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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