

SERVE AFRICA

England & Wales · Charity number 1150759

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2013-02-11

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY OR FINANCIAL HARDSHIP ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD BY PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION, TRAINING, HEALTHCARE PROJECTS AND ALL THE NECESSARY SUPPORT DESIGNED TO ENABLE INDIVIDUALS TO GENERATE A SUSTAINABLE INCOME AND BE SELF-SUFFICIENT. THE RELIEF OF UNEMPLOYMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN SUCH WAYS AS MAY BE THOUGHT FIT, INCLUDING ASSISTANCE TO FIND EMPLOYMENT. TO RELIEVE THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL SICKNESS OF PERSONS SUFFERING FROM BEREAVEMENT OR LOSS BY THE PROVISION OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT FOR SUCH PERSONS.

Activities: Serve Africa supports internally displaced people in camps near Mbalala, Uganda. The original refugees fled the civil war. The charity has provided counselling and seen people gradually develop aspirations for their own future. Education and training programmes give individuals the skills and knowledge to obtain gainful employment, thereby allowing them to gain a reasonable standard of living.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Other Finance, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Accommodation/housing, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Uganda

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£55,068	£55,804	-	-
2023-12-31	£49,691	£45,276	-	-
2022-12-31	£45,584	£40,671	-	-
2021-12-31	£48,685	£47,541	-	-
2020-12-31	£61,706	£53,228	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
PETER DENNIS SCOTT MSC CENG	Chair	2012-12-07
Colin Sidery		2021-07-23
DENISE AMANDA WELLS		2012-12-07
David Bryan Woodridge		2024-11-21
JOHN HUNTER MILLER		2016-11-03

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date

Period end date

From

1

Jan

2024

To 31

Dec

2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Serve Africa

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1150759

Charity's principal address

The Dormy House

Combe Hay

Bath

Postcode

BA2 7EG

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	Peter Scott	Chair		
2	John Miller			
3	Colin Sidery.			
4	Michael Smith.		1 January to 28 October	
5	Denise Wells			
6	David Woodridge		From 21 November	
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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

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	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted	Trust
Trustee selection methods	By agreement of 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.

Within the UK fund raising, management and administration are undertaken entirely by volunteers.

In Uganda a local pastor and his wife oversee the different activities on a day to day basis. The Chair aims to visit Uganda at least once each year in order to review progress and to consider future developments. He works with the other trustees and the Uganda pastor to agree the main activities that support the refugees.

Serve Africa has established Victorious Life College which trains young adults in IT, tailoring and catering.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To relieve those in conditions of need, hardship or distress

To provide education and training

Enable people to obtain gainful employment

Counsel and otherwise support traumatised and displaced people

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 main activities are:

- Undertake and support activities aimed at relieving the hardship and distress of the poor and vulnerable
- Undertake fundraising and provide finance to help the poor and vulnerable
- Help displaced people to be integrated into local communities
- Provide advice to optimise the impact of funding
- Continually assess the benefits of the support and relief activities, setting and adjusting priorities.

The public benefit is that the charity

- Improves the life opportunities of poor children by supporting them to attend school
- Enables adults to receive training and higher education, improving their employment options and earning potential
- Provides education in health, safety and hygiene
- Provides help and support to establish stable family settings
- Provides counselling to enable traumatised people to be freed from past emotional hurts
- Provides food aid
- Enhances the living conditions of the poor, including improved housing, improved food and water supplies, and better facilities
- Provides medical advice, treatment, supplies and facilities
- May provide loans or gifts to set up small businesses

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Currently Serve Africa supports internally displaced people. The original refugees fled the civil war in the north of the country. The focus of our work is two large villages near to the community at Mbalala, which is about 35 km south west of the capital, Kampala. These villages are known as the Kivuuvu and Bukunya camps. Altogether they house around 400 adults and 600 children.

The charity has seen people gradually develop aspirations for their own future. Education and training programmes give individuals the skills and knowledge to obtain gainful employment, thereby allowing them to gain a reasonable standard of living. Clean water and latrines, medical care and counselling have also been provided.

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Serve Africa Annual Report 2024

Serve Africa has continued to work with internally displaced people in Uganda. Serve Africa operates through local staff. The charity provides clean water and latrines, medical care, counselling, education and tertiary training. Serve Africa employs the following:

- A nurse visits the camps and primary school each week to check for malnutrition and illness. He also undertakes training in good health and hygiene to try and ensure disease prevention in the communities. We have implemented an inoculation programme for expectant mums, babies and children. In the last four years, there have been no infant mortalities although one mother died in child birth. There is ongoing treatment of 78 HIV positive camp residents.
- A counsellor supporting members of the camps to work through the traumas of their past experiences, as a result of atrocities by the Lord's Resistance Army when they were in northern Uganda.
- A borehole keeper who maintains the borehole (provided by Serve Africa) and ensures that it is not misused, so that it will provide clean, uncontaminated water for the camps for a long time. The keeper also oversees the maintenance of latrines and rainwater capture facilities.
- An experienced builder runs regular courses, of around 15 months duration, in basic construction for groups of young men.
- Trainers for catering, tailoring and IT skills at the College.
- A watchman to look after the college buildings
- An administrator to support Pastor Lordvick, his wife and the wider team, as well as liaise with the UK chair.

Serve Africa continues to support education and skills training. In 2024:

- We continued to provide materials and welfare for pupils at the state primary school on the Kivuuvu camp.
- 43 pupils attended Mbalala Secondary School, with fees, board and lodging paid. An increasing number are now being directly sponsored by supporters
- 37 students learned IT, tailoring or catering skills at the College. 7 of these were fee paying students from outside the camp. 6 students also completed a course in construction.
- Local businesses trained two students in car mechanics, two in computer repairs and two in metal fabrication
- Two students were sponsored to continue their degrees in medicine and education. Two others began courses in nursing and hotel management.

Our chair visited for ten days in February, when he saw staff and education providers. He also had a meal with the older camp residents. He went back with two other trustees in October to visit the camps and meet providers of training and education, and the sponsored students.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The trustees hold reserves to cover a temporary shortfall in UK income or to fund unexpected costs in Africa, for example, vehicle repairs or emergency medical care. The level of undesignated reserves is reviewed every four months when making a payment to Uganda. Following each payment, we aim to hold of reserves at least 15% but not more than 35% of the expected annual payments that are not covered by restricted funds.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	None

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.	Almost 85% of the income came from donations and associated gift aid, including funds from sponsors of students at university and secondary school. About 13% of income came from sales of plants and home-made cards. The small remainder represents fees paid by college students from outside the camps. Regular spending included £40,000 for skills training and education, and about £7,800 on health, welfare and camp facilities. Almost £2,500 was spent on college equipment. Finally, a further £4,200 covered local transport and various admin costs. SA also provided £3,500 to cover travel, accommodation and small gifts during the chair's visits.
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Section F

Other optional information

The trustees are grateful for the hard work of Pastor Lordvick who co-ordinates the activities in Uganda on a day by day basis, and of all those whose work supports the residents of the camps.

The trustees also acknowledge the generosity of individual supporters, especially those who have agreed to sponsor students at university, college and secondary school.

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)	PETER SCOTT	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	15th July 2025	



Serve Africa		1150759		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	1-Jan-24	To	31-Dec-24	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	2023
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Individual giving	27,941	13,712	-	41,653	32,596
Gift Aid	1,975		-	1,975	5,687
On-line donations inc gift aid	2,521	402	-	2,923	1,793
Fundraising	3,905	3,263	-	7,168	6,982
Other Bodies	-		-	-	300
Uganda Contributions	1,349		-	1,349	2,333
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	37,691	17,377	-	55,068	49,691
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Use of Uganda balances	-	-	-	-	154
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	154
Total receipts	37,691	17,377	-	55,068	49,845
A3 Payments					
Education and Skills	24,894	15,294	-	40,188	32,959
Health, Facilities and Welfare	7,848		-	7,848	5,558
Transport and Admin	4,240		-	4,240	3,478
Chair's Travel and UK Admin	3,076	452	-	3,528	3,281
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Sub total	40,058	15,746	-	55,804	45,276
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Skills Training	355	2,120	-	2,475	-
Office			-		-
New Uganda funds	739			739	1,319
Sub total	1,094	2,120	-	3,214	1,319
Total payments	41,152	17,866	-	59,018	46,595
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,461	- 489	-	- 3,950	3,250
A5 Transfers between funds			-		-
A6 UK Cash funds last year end	25,527	6,910	-	32,437	29,187
UK Cash funds this year end	22,066	6,421	-	28,487	32,437

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Bank account	22,066	6,421	-
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	-	-	-
Total cash funds	22,066	6,421	-

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B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Advances to Uganda Team	2,035		-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
College Centre including assets for Catering, IT and Tailoring Training	General		
Vehicle	General	-	-
Laptop and printer (Uganda office)	General	-	-
Computer repair tools	General	-	-
Construction students kit	General	-	-
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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
	PETER SCOTT	15 July 25



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

SERVE AFRICA

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1150759

Set out on pages

(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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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").

Independent examiner's
statement

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.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed

Colin M Goater

Date:

11th July
2025

Name:

Colin Michael Goater

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

Address:

102 Freeview Road

BATH

BA2 1DZ

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.

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date		
From	1	Jan	2023	To 31 Dec 2023

Section A

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Serve Africa

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1150759

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(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Trust Deed

How the charity is constituted
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Trust

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

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- We continued to provide welfare for pupils at the state primary school on the Kivuuvu camp.
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- 40 students learned catering or IT skills at the College. Ten of these were fee paying students from outside the camp. 6 students also completed a course in construction.
- Local businesses trained two students in car mechanics and two in metal fabrication
- One student was sponsored to start a medical degree and another to begin a degree in education.

Our chair visited for ten days in February and a further week in November, speaking with all staff and providers of education and training; he also had a meeting and meal with the older camp residents.

The legacy of Covid and the general weakness of the economy mean that it is still difficult for students to obtain jobs. As a result of discussions in November, we are amending the IT and catering courses for 2024 to improve job prospects

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees hold reserves to cover a temporary shortfall in UK income or to fund unexpected costs in Africa, for example, vehicle repairs or emergency medical care.

The level of undesignated reserves is reviewed every four months when making a payment to Uganda. Following each payment, we aim to hold of reserves at least 15% but not more than 35% of the expected regular payments to Uganda over the year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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Almost 81% of the income came from donations and associated gift aid, including sponsors for students at university and secondary school. About 14% of income came from sales of plants and home-made cards. The small remainder was mainly fees paid by college students from outside the camps.

Regular spending included £33,000 for skills training and education, and about £5,600 on health, welfare and camp facilities. Finally, a further £3,500 covered local transport and various admin costs.

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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)

PETER SCOTT

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

5th Sept 2024



Serve Africa		1150759		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	1-Jan-23	To	31-Dec-23	

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 £	2022 to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Individual giving	23,008	9,588	-	32,596	32,064
Gift Aid	5,687		-	5,687	4,235
On-line donations inc gift aid	1,793		-	1,793	640
Fundraising	3,991	2,991	-	6,982	7,995
Other Bodies	-	300	-	300	650
Uganda Contributions	2,333		-	2,333	1,988
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	36,812	12,879	-	49,691	47,572
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Use of Uganda balances	154	-	-	154	1,118
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	154	-	-	154	1,118
Total receipts	36,966	12,879	-	49,845	48,690
A3 Payments					
Education and Skills	21,283	11,676	-	32,959	30,390
Health, Facilities and Welfare	4,953	605	-	5,558	5,341
Transport and Admin	3,478		-	3,478	3,634
Chair's Travel and UK Admin	3,281		-	3,281	2,116
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
Sub total	32,995	12,281	-	45,276	41,481
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Skills Training			-	-	-
Office			-	-	-
New Uganda funds	1,319			1,319	
Sub total	1,319	-	-	1,319	-
Total payments	34,314	12,281	-	46,595	41,481
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,652	598	-	3,250	4,913
A5 Transfers between funds	1,219	- 1,219	-	-	-
A6 UK Cash funds last year end	21,656	7,531	-	29,187	24,274
UK Cash funds this year end	25,527	6,910	-	32,437	29,187

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	Bank account	25,830	6,907	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	25,830	6,907	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Advances to Uganda Team	1,083		-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	College Centre (Catering and IT Training Facilities)	General		
	Vehicle	General	-	-
	Laptop and printer (Uganda office)	General	-	-
	Smart Phones	General	-	-
	Construction students kit	General	-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Alcott

PETER SCOTT

5/9/24



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

SERVE AFRICA

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1150759

Set out on pages

(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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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").

Independent examiner's
statement

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Signed

Colin M Goater

Date:

27th July
2024

Name:

Colin Michael Goater

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

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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.

SERVE AFRICA

England & Wales - Charity number 1150759

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date				Period end date		
From	1	Jan	2022	To	31	Dec 2022

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Serve Africa

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1150759

Charity's principal address

The Dormy House

Combe Hay

Bath

Postcode

BA2 7EG

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	Peter Scott	Chair		
2	John Miller			
3	Colin Sidery.			
4	Michael Smith.			
5	Denise Wells			
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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

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)

By agreement of existing trustees

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In Uganda a local pastor and his wife oversee the different activities on a day to day basis. The Chair aims to visit Uganda at least once each year in order to review progress and to consider future developments, although this was not possible in 2020 or 2021. He works with the other trustees and the Uganda pastor to agree the main activities that support the refugees.

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Counsel and otherwise support traumatised and displaced people

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The main activities are:

- Undertake and support activities aimed at relieving the hardship and distress of the poor and vulnerable
- Undertake fundraising and provide finance to help the poor and vulnerable
- Help displaced people to be integrated into local communities
- Provide advice to optimise the impact of funding
- Continually assess the benefits of the support and relief activities, setting and adjusting priorities.

The public benefit is that the charity

- Improves the life opportunities of poor children by supporting them to attend school
- Enables adults to receive training and higher education, improving their employment options and earning potential
- Provides education in health, safety and hygiene
- Provides help and support to establish stable family settings
- Provides counselling to enable traumatised people to be freed from past emotional hurts
- Provides food aid
- Enhances the living conditions of the poor, including improved housing, improved food and water supplies, and better facilities
- Provides medical advice, treatment, supplies and facilities
- May provide loans or gifts to set up small businesses

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Currently Serve Africa supports internally displaced people. The original refugees fled the civil war in the north of the country. The focus of our work is two large villages near to the community at Mbalala, which is about 35 km south west of the capital, Kampala. These villages are known as the Kivuuvu and Bukunya camps. Altogether they house around 400 adults and 600 children.

The charity has seen people gradually develop aspirations for their own future. Education and training programmes give individuals the skills and knowledge to obtain gainful employment, thereby allowing them to gain a reasonable standard of living. Clean water and latrines, medical care and counselling have also been provided.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

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- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Serve Africa Annual Report 2022

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- A counsellor supporting members of the camps to work through the traumas of their past experiences, as a result of atrocities by the Lord's Resistance Army when they were in northern Uganda.
- A borehole keeper who maintains the borehole (provided by Serve Africa) and ensures that it is not misused, so that it will provide clean, uncontaminated water for the camps for a long time. The keeper also oversees the maintenance of latrines and rainwater capture facilities.
- An experienced builder runs regular courses, of around 15 months duration, in basic construction for groups of young men.
- A catering trainer and an IT trainer at the College.
- A watchman to look after the college buildings
- An administrator to assist Pastor Ludovick and his wife

Serve Africa continues to support education and skills training. In 2022:

- We continued to provide welfare for pupils at the state primary school on the Kivuuvu camp.
- Thirty seven pupils attended Mbalala Secondary School, with fees, board and lodging paid. Two students successfully completed A levels and started university in 2023.
- 42 students learned catering or IT skills at the College. Ten of these were fee paying students from outside the camp. Nine students also completed a course in construction.
- Local businesses trained two students in car mechanics, two in metal fabrication and two in hairdressing
- One student completed a two year nursing course at a local college

In February our nurse sadly died in hospital, after many years of faithful service. The charity agreed to sponsor her son through secondary school, and Pastor Ludovick was able to recruit a successor from the local area.

Our chair visited for ten days in June, speaking with all staff and providers of education and training; he also had a meeting and meal with the older camp residents.

The legacy of Covid and the general weakness of the economy mean that it is still difficult for students to obtain jobs...

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees hold reserves to cover a temporary shortfall in UK income or to fund unexpected costs in Africa, for example, vehicle repairs or emergency medical care.

The level of undesignated reserves is reviewed every four months when making a payment to Uganda. Following each payment we aim to hold of reserves at least 15% but not more than 35% of the expected regular payments to Uganda over the year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
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About 79% of the income came from donations and associated gift aid and about 17% from sales of plants and home-made cards. The small remainder represents fees paid by college students from outside the camps.

Regular spending included £30,000 for skills training and education, and about £5,300 on health, welfare and camp facilities. Finally, a further £3,600 covered local transport and various admin costs.

SA also provided £1,500 to update College IT equipment, and £1,900 to cover the travel and accommodation costs of the chair's visit.

Section F

Other optional information

The trustees are grateful for the hard work of Pastor Ludovick who co-ordinates the activities in Uganda on a day by day basis, and of all those whose work supports the residents of the camps.

The trustees also acknowledge the generosity of some individual supporters and two other charities.

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Peter Dennis Scott

Full name(s)

PETER DENNIS

SCOTT

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

31 July 2023



Serve Africa			1150759	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	1-Jan-22	To	31-Dec-22	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	2021
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Individual giving	25,705	6,359	-	32,064	32,800
Gift Aid	4,235	-	-	4,235	2,290
On-line donations inc gift aid	640	-	-	640	2,750
Fundraising	3,328	4,667	-	7,995	6,673
Other Charities	-	650	-	650	-
Uganda Contributions	1,988	-	-	1,988	2,080
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	35,896	11,676	-	47,572	46,593
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Use of Uganda balances	1,118	-	-	1,118	2,092
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,118	-	-	1,118	2,092
Total receipts	37,014	11,676	-	48,690	48,685
A3 Payments					
Education and Skills	24,677	5,713	-	30,390	24,897
Health, Facilities and Welfare	5,341	-	-	5,341	4,363
Food and Health Emergency	-	-	-	-	2,243
Transport and Admin	3,634	-	-	3,634	2,889
Chair's Travel and UK Admin	1,116	1,000	-	2,116	90
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	34,768	6,713	-	41,481	34,482
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Skills Training	2,056	-	-	2,056	10,240
Office	240	-	-	240	147
New Uganda funds	-	-	-	-	2,672
Sub total	2,296	-	-	2,296	13,059
Total payments	37,064	6,713	-	43,777	47,541
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 50	4,963	-	4,913	1,144
A5 Transfers between funds	2,600	- 2,600	-	-	-
A6 UK Cash funds last year end	19,107	5,167	-	24,274	23,130
UK Cash funds this year end	21,657	7,530	-	29,187	24,274

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	Bank account	21,657 ⁹	7,530	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	21,657	7,530	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	Advances to Uganda Team	148		-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	College Centre (Catering and IT Training Facilities)	General		
	Vehicle	General	-	-
	Laptop and printer (Uganda office)	General	-	-
	Smart Phones	General	-	-
	Construction students kit	General	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members
of

Charity Name
SERVE AFRICA

On accounts for the year ended

31st December 2022

Charity no (if
any)

1150759

Set out on pages

(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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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Colin M Goater

Date: **7th July
2023**

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SERVE AFRICA

England & Wales - Charity number 1150759

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

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6	Michael Smith		23 July to 31 December	
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- A watchman to look after the college buildings
- An administrator to assist Pastor Ludovick and his wife

Serve Africa continues to support education and skills training through:

- Welfare funds for the state primary school on the Kivuuvu camp. In January we also funded new shoes for those children.
- Thirty-nine pupils attended Mbalala Secondary School, with fees, board and lodging paid
- A major enlargement to the College facilities was undertaken with the construction of a second storey on the main building and the addition of a temporary roof.
- 37 students learned catering or IT skills at the College. Ten of these were fee paying students from outside the camp. Five students also completed a course in construction. Multiple lockdown restrictions in Uganda have prevented graduating students from obtaining employment this year.
- Training at local businesses: two students learned car mechanics and two others learned metal fabrication.
- One student is on a two year nursing course at a local college

In May a second Covid wave hit Uganda, and the Government instituted a two month lockdown to reduce the risk of Covid infections. With many residents unable to work or run wayside businesses, Serve Africa funded some emergency supplies of food and other essentials. The secondary school was closed but teachers were allowed visit the camp in order to support our students.

The number of Covid infections was relatively low. Two residents died and one of the co-ordinators was hospitalised. The low infection rate was due in part to the advice given to residents by our nurse and our counsellor, assisted by the trainee nurse who had a placement at the camp for two days a week.

Section E

Financial review

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Details of any funds materially in deficit

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Further financial review details (Optional information)

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Regular spending included £25,000 for skills training and education, and about £4,300 on health, welfare and camp facilities. Finally, a further £3,000 covered local transport and various admin costs.

SA also provided £2,200 for additional food and healthcare items during the second Covid lockdown and £10,000 for extending and improving college facilities.

Section F

Other optional information

The trustees are grateful for the hard work of Pastor Ludovick who co-ordinates the activities in Uganda on a day by day basis, and of all those whose work supports the residents of the camps.

The trustees also acknowledge the generosity of some individual supporters.

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

P. Scott

Full name(s)

PETER DENNIS SCOTT

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

8 June 2022



Serve Africa			1150759	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	1-Jan-21	To	31-Dec-21	

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 £	2020 to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Individual giving	28,228	4,572	-	32,800	27,653
Gift Aid	2,290		-	2,290	4,404
On-line donations inc gift aid	2,750		-	2,750	10,246
Fundraising	1,800	4,873	-	6,673	6,397
Other Bodies	-		-	-	3,900
Uganda Contributions	2,080		-	2,080	1,351
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	37,148	9,445	-	46,593	53,951
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Use of Uganda balances	2,092	-	-	2,092	4,310
Sale of Vehicle	-		-	-	3,445
Sub total	2,092	-	-	2,092	7,755
Total receipts	39,240	9,445	-	48,685	61,706
A3 Payments					
Education and Skills	17,555	7,342	-	24,897	22,548
Health, Facilities and Welfare	4,363		-	4,363	8,218
Food and Health Emergency	2,243		-	2,243	6,416
Transport and Admin	2,889		-	2,889	2,741
UK Admin	90		-	90	105
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	27,140	7,342	-	34,482	40,028
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
College Facilities	10,240		-	10,240	3,597
Phones	147		-	147	543
Replacement vehicle				-	7,752
New Uganda funds	2,672			2,672	1,308
Sub total	13,059	-	-	13,059	13,200
Total payments	40,199	7,342	-	47,541	53,228
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 959	2,103	-	1,144	8,478
A5 Transfers between funds	300	- 300	-	-	-
A6 UK Cash funds last year end	19,767	3,363	-	23,130	14,652
UK Cash funds this year end	19,108	5,166	-	24,274	23,130

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

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B2 Other monetary assets	Advances to Uganda Team	1,208		-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	College Centre (Catering and IT Training Facilities)	General		
	Vehicle	General	-	-
	Laptop and printer (Uganda team)	General	-	-
	Smart Phones	General	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		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	
		PETER SCOTT	8 JUNE '22	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

SERVE AFRICA

**On accounts for the
year ended**

31st December 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1150759

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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Signed

Colin M Goater

Date: **1st June
2022**

Name:

Colin Michael Goater

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

Address: **102 Freeview Road**

Section B**Disclosure**

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.

SERVE AFRICA

England & Wales - Charity number 1150759

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	1 Jan 2020	To	31 Dec 2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

The Dormy House	
Combe Hay	
Bath	
Postcode	BA2 7EG

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	Peter Scott	Chair		
2	John Miller			
3	Denise Wells			
4	Tim Wheeldon			
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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

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)

By agreement of 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.

Within the UK fund raising, management and administration are undertaken entirely by volunteers.

In Uganda a local pastor and his wife oversee the different activities on a day to day basis. The Chair aims to visit Uganda at least once each year in order to review progress and to consider future developments, although this was not possible in 2020. He works with the other trustees and the Uganda pastor to agree the main activities that support the refugees.

Serve Africa has established Victorious Life College to provide IT and catering skills training for young adults.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To relieve those in conditions of need, hardship or distress

To provide education and training

Enable people to obtain gainful employment

Counsel and otherwise support traumatised and displaced people

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 main activities are:

- Undertake and support activities aimed at relieving the hardship and distress of the poor and vulnerable
- Undertake fundraising and provide finance to help the poor and vulnerable
- Help displaced people to be integrated into local communities
- Provide advice to optimise the impact of funding
- Continually assess the benefits of the support and relief activities, setting and adjusting priorities.

The public benefit is that the charity

- Improves the life opportunities of poor children by supporting them to attend school
- Enables adults to receive training and higher education, improving their employment options and earning potential
- Provides education in health, safety and hygiene
- Provides help and support to establish stable family settings
- Provides counselling to enable traumatised people to be freed from past emotional hurts
- Provides food aid
- Enhances the living conditions of the poor, including improved housing, improved food and water supplies, and better facilities
- Provides medical advice, treatment, supplies and facilities
- May provide loans or gifts to set up small businesses

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Currently Serve Africa supports internally displaced people. The original refugees fled the civil war in the north of the country. The focus of our work is two large villages near to the community at Mbalala, which is about 35 km south west of the capital, Kampala. These villages are known as the Kivuuvu and Bukunya camps. Altogether they house around 400 adults and 600 children.

The charity has seen people gradually develop aspirations for their own future. Education and training programmes give individuals the skills and knowledge to obtain gainful employment, thereby allowing them to gain a reasonable standard of living. Clean water and latrines, medical care and counselling have also been provided.

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Serve Africa Annual Report 2020

Serve Africa has continued to work with internally displaced people in Uganda. Serve Africa operates through local staff. The charity provides clean water and latrines, medical care, counselling, education and tertiary training. Serve Africa employs the following:

- A nurse visits the camps and primary school each week to check for malnutrition and illness. She also undertakes training in good health and hygiene to try and ensure disease prevention in the communities. We have implemented an inoculation programme for expectant mums, babies and children. There is ongoing treatment of around 130 HIV positive camp residents.
- A counsellor supporting members of the camps to work through the traumas of their past experiences, as a result of atrocities by the Lord's Resistance Army when they were in northern Uganda.
- A borehole keeper who maintains the borehole (provided by Serve Africa) and ensures that it is not misused, so that it will provide clean, uncontaminated water for the camps for a long time. The keeper also oversees the maintenance of latrines and rainwater capture facilities.
- An experienced builder runs regular courses, of around 15 months duration, in basic construction for groups of young men. So far everyone trained has obtained gainful employment.
- A catering and IT trainer taught 42 young adults in 2020. They used the College facilities created by Serve Africa in 2019 and early 2020. All 42 completed their course, with 32 sitting and passing national exams. As a consequence of lockdowns in 2020, due to Covid, it has not been possible to find students suitable employment (as of Dec 2020). For the first time we had 6 students from outside the camps who each paid a fee
- A watchman to look after the college buildings

Serve Africa continues to support the state primary school on the Kivuuvu camp. In January we provided additional funds to buy bales of clothes and shoes for those children. Thirty five children were funded to attend Mbalala Secondary School, paying both their fees and their board and lodging. We continued to pay for training at local businesses: two more trainees learned car mechanics at a garage and two trainees learned metal fabrication. They were all obtained employment at the end of 2020. Finally in August one student was funded to start a two year nursing course at a local college

In March the Government locked down much of the country to reduce the risk of Covid infections. Non-essential work was halted until August, leaving camp residents with no income. Schools were closed until November except for pupils in exam years. Special appeals were undertaken in April and August to provide money for emergency supplies of food and hygiene materials. We also funded emergency medical care for one of our staff who had severe Covid. We bought smart phones for our secondary school pupils to facilitate some on-line learning, and in the autumn arranged for school teachers to make limited visits to the camps.

Finally in November we installed solar lighting in 61 more homes in the camps. Residents have traditionally used kerosene for lighting. As solar panels mean that they do not need to purchase kerosene we again asked for modest weekly contributions to our costs for a period of 40 weeks.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees hold reserves to cover a temporary shortfall in UK income or to fund unexpected costs in Africa, for example, vehicle repairs or emergency medical care.

The level of undesignated reserves is reviewed every four months when making a payment to Uganda. Following each payment we aim to hold of reserves at least 15% but not more than 35% of the expected regular payments to Uganda over the year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

About 85% of the income came from donations and associated gift aid and about 12.5% from sales of plants and home-made cards. The small remainder consisted of fees paid by students from outside the camps.

Regular spending included £23,000 for skills training and education, and about £8,000 on health, welfare and camp facilities. Finally a further £3,000 covered local transport and various admin costs.

SA also provided £6,400 for emergency costs arising from the Covid pandemic. Finally it invested £3,600 in improving college facilities and £4,300 in a replacement vehicle for use on the poorly maintained roads to the camps.

Section F

Other optional information

The trustees are grateful for the hard work of Pastor Ludovick who co-ordinates the activities in Uganda on a day by day basis, and of all those whose work supports the residents of the camps.

The trustees also acknowledge the generosity of some individual supporters.

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

P Scott

Full name(s)

PETER SCOTT

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

30 March 2021



Serve Africa

Receipts and pay

For the period
from

1-Jan-20

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts		
Individual giving	24,144	3,509
Gift Aid claims	4,404	
On-line donations inc gift aid	770	9,476
Fundraising check split	1,490	4,907
Other Bodies	200	3,700
Uganda Contributions	1,351	-
	-	-
	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	32,359	21,592
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).		
Sale of Vehicle	3,445	
Use of Uganda balances	4,310	-
Sub total	7,755	-
Total receipts	40,114	21,592
A3 Payments		
Education and Skills	18,139	4,409
Health, Facilities and Welfare	6,707	1,511
Food and Health Emergency check	1,815	4,601
Transport and Admin	2,741	
UK Admin & Chair's Travel	105	
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Sub total	29,507	10,521
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)		
College Facilities	3,597	
Smart Phones for students use	543	
Replacement vehicle	7,752	
New Uganda funds	1,308	
Sub total	13,200	-
Total payments	42,707	10,521
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,593	11,071
A5 Transfers between funds	9,957	- 9,957
A6 UK Cash funds last year end	12,403	2,249

<i>UK Cash funds this year end</i>	19,767	3,363
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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at

Categories

Details

B1 Cash funds

Bank account

Total cash funds

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

B2 Other monetary assets

Details

Advances to Uganda Team

B3 Investment assets

Details

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details

College Centre (Catering and IT Training Facilities)
Vehicle
Laptop and printer (Uganda team)
Smart Phones

B5 Liabilities

Details

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

Signature

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ments accounts		
To	31-Dec-20	



Endowment funds	Total funds	2019
to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
-	27,653 #	24,535
-	4,404 #	2,293
-	10,246 #	2,061
-	6,397 #	4,603
-	3,900 #	-
-	1,351 #	1,478
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	53,951	34,970

-	3,445	
-	4,310	4,884
-	7,755	4,884

-	61,706	39,854
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-	22,548	21,734
-	8,218	6,908
-	6,416	-
-	2,741	1,949
-	105	1,410
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	40,028	32,001

-	3,597	8,580
-	543	-
	7,752	-
	1,308	3,555
-	13,200	12,135

-	53,228	44,136
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-	8,478	- 4,282
-	-	-
-	14,652	18,934

-	23,130	14,652
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at the end of the period

Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
19,767	3,363	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
19,767	3,363	-
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Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
566		-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
General		
General	-	-
General	-	-
General	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-

Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	-	
	-	
	-	
	-	

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Print Name	Date of approval



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
SERVE AFRICA

**On accounts for the
year ended**

31st December 20120

**Charity no
(if any)**

1150759

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **DD / MM / YYYY**.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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Signed

Colin M Goater

Date:

**3rd May
2021**

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Colin Michael Goater

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

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Section B

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