

THE CONGO SCHOOL FOR PEACE

England & Wales · Charity number 1151173

Details

Other names ST BENET'S SCHOOL FOR PEACE

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2013-03-11

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION OF CHILDREN IN SOUTHERN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF BUILDINGS, EQUIPMENT AND STAFF IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHARITABLE WORK OF THE SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH ORDER OF NUNS. 2. TO RELIEVE FINANCIAL NEED AND HARDSHIP IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY PROVIDING CHILD ACCESS TO EDUCATION, WHICH THEIR FAMILIES COULD NOT OTHERWISE AFFORD.

Activities: The advancement of education of children in southern DR Congo for the public benefit by assisting in the provision of school buildings, equipment and staff. To relieve financial need and hardship in the DR Congo, in particular but not exclusively by providing child access to education, which their families could not otherwise afford.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Education/training, Overseas Aid/famine Relief
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Congo (Democratic Republic)
- Norfolk
- Suffolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£22,954	£27,514	-	-
2024-04-05	£27,195	£17,164	-	-
2023-04-05	£14,508	£23,564	-	-
2022-04-05	£14,981	£18,649	-	-
2021-04-05	£16,627	£14,352	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Michael Ellwood	Chair	2013-12-05
ALAN WILLIAMS		2013-02-11
MARY ELLWOOD		2013-02-11

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Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **06/04/2023** Period start date To **05/04/2024**
Period end date

Charity name: **The Congo School for Peace**

Charity registration number: **1151173**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The advancement of education of children in southern DR Congo for the public benefit by assisting in the provision of school buildings, equipment and staff. To relieve financial need and hardship in the DR Congo, in particular but not exclusively by providing child access to education, which their families could not otherwise afford.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Fundraising activities, including the collection of donations and sponsorships, to enable funds for the school to continue.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees have followed the Charity Commission guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We would like to thank all volunteers for their support and commitment to the many activities during the year. The charity would not be able to succeed without them.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	As a result of the grants made to the School for Peace, 40% of secondary children went on to further education and university. There are now over 1,200 children benefitting from education in the school, most of whom would not otherwise have had such an opportunity.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	There are enough funds carried forward to maintain the support for a further year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	To maintain the support for a further year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£28,702
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Donations and fundraising.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	None currently identified.
Other		N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution: 06/02/2013, amended 06/03/2013
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	By election at the Annual General Meeting, following nomination/seconded/vote

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Congo School for Peace
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1151173
Charity's principal address	64 Northgate BECCLES Suffolk NR34 9AU

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	Michael Ellwood	Chair		
2	Mary Ellwood	Secretary		
3	Alan Williams	Treasurer		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>A. S. Williams</i>	
Full name(s)	Alan Steven Williams	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	27 th January, 2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

THE CONGO SCHOOL FOR PEACE

On accounts for the year
ended

5TH. APRIL 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1151173

Set out on pages

Sheet 1 of 1

(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").

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:

- 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:

Pamela Saint Mart

Date:

2nd July 2024

Name:

PAMELA SAINT MART

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

A.C.G.A

Address:

2 Rectory Close

Worthington

Suffolk NR34 7DS

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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The Congo School for Peace

Charity Number 1151173

Accounts for the year end 5th April 2024

2024

2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	18,670.28	27,726.28
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Donations & sponsorship	20,394.07	14,439.87
Legacies	0.00	0.00
Gift aid tax refunds	6,577.28	0.00
Bank interest receivable	223.80	68.38
Total incoming funds	27,195.15	14,508.25
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Donations to School of Peace, Congo	16,400.15	23,127.01
Bank charges	0.00	10.00
Expenses		52.65
Liability insurance	374.43	374.59
Newsletter printing	30.00	
Room hire	170.00	
Travel expenses	189.00	
Total outgoing funds	17,163.58	23,564.25
NET INCOMING/ (- OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR	10,031.57	-9,056.00
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	28,701.85	18,670.28

BALANCE SHEET

CURRENT ASSETS

Santander current account	484.34	947.77
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