

FRIENDS OF THE MOMBASA CHILDREN C.I.O.

England & Wales · Charity number 1155625

Details

Other names FOMC

Status Registered

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Registered 2014-02-04

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

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Activities

Objects: 1.THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE FROM THE MOMBASA DISTRICT, KENYA; AND2.THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF HEALTH AND THE RELIEF OF POVERTY, SICKNESS AND DISTRESS OF THOSE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Activities: Fundraising and donations raised for a school in Freretown, Mombasa, Kenya. Primarily for education, feeding and medical care for the pupils at Unity school in Freretown.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Kenya

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-01-31	£67,341	£67,498	-	-
2024-01-31	£76,054	£84,937	-	-
2023-01-31	£67,231	£57,223	-	-
2022-01-31	£45,076	£48,775	-	-
2021-01-31	£62,777	£53,496	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Benjamin Scrivens	Chair	2023-04-22
Alan Sweetman-Hicks		2025-08-07
Daniel Purchase		2023-04-22
Madeline Ruth Webb		2024-09-15

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE PERIOD 1st FEBRUARY 2024 to
31st JANUARY 2025**

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the accounts for the period ended 31st January 2025. The charity is governed by a constitution adopted on 8th October 2002 and amended on 18th May 2009. In 2014 the Charity became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation

The Trustees are: Mr Chris Azzaro, Mrs Karyn Hinks, Mrs Janet Watson, Mr Norbert Were, Benjamin Scrivens (appointed 22/4/2023), Dan Purchase (appointed 22/04/2023), John Engall (appointed 04/01/2024), Maddie Webb (appointed 15/9/2024)

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It has taken time for us to recover from the various lockdowns and economic situation during the last four years. Trustees, Teaching Staff and Pupils have all experienced the 'knock on' effects, either through the lack of fundraising opportunities in the UK or the reduction of Trustees being able to network in the usual way. In Kenya, the management team have had to contend with the change in the Kenyan Government at short notice, insisting that all Primary Schools now accommodate the 'Lower Secondary' classes. We have now completed all new classrooms on the top floor of the 'Parry' building, which provides classrooms for 10 classes of children. In addition we have repaired the kitchen, strengthened the supports on the well and renewed the water station at Unity.

The trustees have restructured in teams (Finance, communications and fundraising) so as to allow greater focus on each of those areas. The communications team have been working hard on a new website which will allow us to draw others into not only financial support of the charity but also day to day activities such as fundraising. We expect this new website to be live in the early part of our next financial year.

We have been grateful to supporters who have continued to support our appeals and attend our fundraising events. We are grateful to the increasing number of schools in the UK and abroad

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who are supporting the school by taking on fundraising challenges. Especially Bishop Luffa school who have agreed to support our medical programme to continue. We thank Dr Odiero for his commitment in ensuring that all pupils receive medical care. We are also immensely grateful to Wayte Travel for the various financial contributions they have made to support a multitude of projects.

Once again students from La Rochelle in France have visited the school and supported the school financially and by assisting with French, sports and other subjects.

During the financial year three Trustees travelled to Unity School and we hope that in the next year we will have a plan to restart trustee led trips for others that wish to visit and support the school.

We were also pleased that Mr. Joash Obento was able to visit various schools and churches in the UK this year and therefore assist in publicising the charity which has undoubtedly helped us increase the funds raised this year.

Financial Review

The accounts comply with current statutory requirements; the Trust's governing investments and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011

The Charity's gross income for the period was £67,341.06 and its net incoming resources resulted in a very small deficit of (£156.81) for the year.

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Reserves Policy

Having continued to support the school in the challenging few years our reserves are extremely low. We hope this year to begin to rebuild them so that we will be ready for the next crisis. The trustees always aim to maintain sufficient funds to meet a minimum of four months operating expenses.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 06/02/2025 and signed on its behalf by

B Scrivens Chairman

K Volk Treasurer

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**1st February 2024 - 31st January
2025**

Statement of financial activities

	Notes	February 2024 - January 2025			2024
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Incoming Resources					
From Generated Funds					
Voluntary Income and Activities for generating funds		16,341.29	50,813.28	67,154.57	75,862.49
Investment Income		186.49		186.49	191.87
Total Incoming Resources		16,527.78	50,813.28	67,341.06	76,054.36
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities		8,709.01	54,808.43	63,517.44	72,115.00
Overheads		3,980.43	0.00	3,980.43	12,821.64
Total Resources Expended		12,689.44	54,808.43	67,497.87	84,936.64
Net Incoming Resources		3,838.34	(3,995.15)	(156.81)	(8,882.28)
Balance Brought Forward		2,249.17	13,723.61	15,972.78	24,855.06
Balance Carried Forward		6,087.51	9,728.46	15,815.97	15,972.78

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Balance Sheet 31st January 2025

	2025	2024
Cash in the bank		
HSBC Current	7,075.45	4,834.15
HSBC Deposit	8,239.97	10,653.48
Lloyds	500.55	485.15
Cash in hand		
Net Current Assets	15,815.97	15,972.78

The accounts were approved by the Committee of Trustees on 06/02/2025

And signed on their behalf by:-

B Scrivens

Chairman

K Volk

Treasurer

The notes on pages 6 to 12 form part of these accounts

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Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and have been drawn up in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Friends of the Mombasa Children in preparing these accounts are set out below:

(a) Incoming Resources

Incoming Resources represent fundraising, donations and sponsorship received during the year.

(b) Resources Expended

Expenditure is composed mainly of support for Unity School, Feeding project, Medical Programme and Secondary Education.

Governance costs are those for the running of the charity itself as an organisation

(c) Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and not subject to a charge of tax.

(d) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donors. The purpose of each restricted fund is set out in notes to these accounts.

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Notes to the accounts

Voluntary Income		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Primary School Support		0.00	22,267.99	22,267.99	17,260.00
Sec Ed Support	Note 2	0.00	672.00	672.00	650.00
University Students		0.00	0.00	0.00	604.75
Fundraising	Note 1	5,604.55	0.00	5,604.55	4,643.09
Donations for general projects	Note 1	3,077.52	0.00	3,077.52	11,387.28
Medical		0.00	2,044.18	2,044.18	0.00
Feeding project		0.00	1,216.81	1,216.81	1,677.07
Rented House		0.00	0.00	0.00	3000.00
Music Room	Note 4	0.00	0.00	0.00	368.00
Equipment for Science Lab	Note 4	0.00	0.00	0.00	825.60
Library improvements	Note 5	0.00	526.00	526.00	0.00
Kitchen improvements	Note 5	0.00	2,268.00	2,268.00	0.00
Donations through Internet Giving		1,116.11	0.00	1,116.11	4,624.93
Gift Aid		6,543.11	0.00	6,543.11	8,249.63
Crisis Help Teachers		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest		186.49	0.00	186.49	191.87
New Classrooms	Note 3	0.00	21,818.30	21,818.30	22,572.14
Total		16,527.78	50,813.28	67,341.06	76,054.36

Charitable Activity - expenditure

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Unity School support		6,092.01	22,267.99	28,360.00	30,304.40
Secondary Education School fees	Note 2	0.00	576.00	576.00	720.00
University Fees		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses for Fundraising		0.00	0.00	0.00	140.00
Medical Centre		0.00	2,395.00	2,395.00	4,770.00
Feeding project		0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,700.00
New Classrooms	Note 3	917.00	21,640.44	22,557.44	24,000.00
Rented House		0.00	2,420.00	2,420.00	3,146.00
Science Lab expenditure	Note 4	0.00	0.00	0.00	825.60
Music Room expenditure	Note 4	0.00	0.00	0.00	368.00
Library improvements	Note 5	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
Kitchen improvements	Note 5	0.00	2,268.00	2,268.00	0.00
Crisis Help for Unity	Note 6	1,700.00	0.00	1,700.00	4,400.00
Global Encounters	Note 7	0.00	1,741.00	1,741.00	1,741.00
Total		8,709.01	54,808.43	63,517.44	72,115.00

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Overheads	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Bank Charges	540.30	0.00	540.30	690.11
Website	1,431.60	0.00	1,431.60	1,431.60
Admin	155.75	0.00	155.75	325.2
Audit and Legal fees Note 8	240.00	0.00	240.00	9,566.00
Other Misc expenditure	804.00	0.00	804.00	0.00
Public Liability Insurance (10m)	808.78	0.00	808.78	808.73
Total	3,980.43	0.00	3,980.43	12,821.64

Note 1 Fundraising/Donations Income

A record of all large fundraising activity is kept, detailing income and any expenditure for the event. These include funds raised for unrestricted Unity purposes, from planned events such as Monsoon dinner, various events at Broadwater school, and Bishop Luffa School. In addition, there were sales, fairs and one-off donations kindly received

Note 2. Secondary Students

Donation received for one student to complete her secondary education. This was the final year with the student achieving good result.

Note 3 Upstairs Classrooms

Donations and fundraising started in earnest towards the end of 2022 owing to the need for the new classrooms to be completed on the top floor. Three classrooms were completed in previous financial year and a further two classrooms were completed in this financial year.

Note 4 Science Lab and Music instruments (prior year)

Additional funds were raised to furnish Science and Music classroom equipment which were purchased in the year.

Note 5 Library and Kitchen improvements

Additional funds were raised to improve Library facilities and the much needed kitchen improvements.

Note 6 Crisis help for teachers and School

Following reports of hardship from Mombasa, the Trustees agreed to help contribute towards unexpected costs in the year.

Note 7 Global Encounter

With the help of our link with the Aga Khan School in Mombasa, local schools in the Mombasa area took part in the Global Encounter initiative. This includes pupils from various schools spending a set number of weeks at Unity School to support them in whatever way they can. As a result of this visit the pupils organised and set up, (with the support from their teachers), an online fundraising appeal to support four pupils at Unity School with school fees for their Secondary School education. The money raised will enable each of the four pupils to complete their four years at Secondary School. The first of this 4-year amount was paid at the end of 22/23, the second payment at the end of 23/24, and the third was paid in December 2024. The final payment will be sent in 25/26.

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Note 8 Legal Fees (prior year)

To enable us to safeguard the Land at Unity School, it was decided that an independent Trust be set up. The Education Department in Mombasa was aware of this importance. The new trust has two trustees from FOMC, the doctor who supports our medical project, the Director and Co-Director of Unity School and a Businessman in Mombasa who supported us originally in finding the land in the first place and has continued to support us in various ways.

Restricted Funds

In order to reflect more accurately the use of funds for “The rented house” and the “Medical Project” the sum carried forward is most of the sum donated for these items. In each case the donations made in 2024, need to be spread over a 12-month period.

2a Unity School	£	2d Feeding Project	£
Brought forward	0.00	Brought forward	0.00
Income	22,267.99	Income	1,216.81
Income from UR	6,092.01	Income from UR	0.00
Total income	28,360.00	Total Income	1,216.81
Expended	28,360.00	Expended	1,200.00
Balance	0.00	Balance	16.81
2b Secondary School Fees	£	2e Library Project	£
Brought forward	(96.00)	brought forward	0.00
Income	672.00	Income	526.00
Income from UR		Income from UR	0.00
Total Income	576.00	Total income	526.00
Expended	576.00	Expended	300.00
Balance	0.00	Balance	226.00
2c Medical Centre	£	2f Rented House	£
brought forward	5,883.19	brought forward	2,887.76
Income	2,044.18	Income	0.00
Income from UR		Income from UR	
Total Income	7,927.37	Total income	2,887.76
Expended	2,395.00	Expended	2,420.00
Balance	5,532.37	Balance	467.76

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2g New Classrooms	£	2i Kitchen update	£
Brought forward	1,572.14	Brought Forward	0.00
Income	20,068.30	Income	2,268.00
Income from UR	917.00	Income from UR	0.00
Total income	22,557.44	Total Income	2,268.00
Expended	22,557.44	Expended	2,268.00
Balance	0.00	Balance	0.00

2h Global Enc	£	2j Loan from Mr X To be repaid from general funds in 25/26	£
brought forward	3,476.52	brought forward	0.00
Income	0.00	Income	1,750.00
Income from UR	0.00	Income from UR	0.00
Total income	3,476.52	Total income	1,750.00
Expended	1,741.00	Expended	0.00
Balance	1,735.52	Balance	1,750.00

Carried forward:	£
Restricted funds	
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Global Encounter	1,735.52

Total c/f	9,728.46
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**Deposit
Account**

Transactions

	£
Brought forward	10,653.48
Transferred in	0.00
Transferred out	(2,600.00)
Interest	186.49
	8,239.97

Balance

4. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the charity was paid or payable to any trustee.

5. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Represented by:	24/25	23/24
Unrestricted Funds	6,087.51	2,249.17
Restricted Funds	9,728.46	13,723.61
Total	15,815.97	15,972.78

6. The restricted funds are funds specifically organised to provide support of children at primary and secondary schools, provide the feeding and medical projects and to assist the volunteer work in Mombasa. Other monies given for specific projects are also classed as “Restricted”. With more money being donated for specific projects, some funds may, in future, be “designated” as a subsection of “Restricted”.

7. In addition:

The trustees are most grateful to all individuals and organisations who have contributed:
Fisherbeck Trust
Those who wish to remain anonymous

We also register our thanks to the following schools:

Broadwater C of E primary, Worthing
River Beach C of E primary, Littlehampton
Bishop Luffa C of E School, Chichester
Arundel C of E Primary School
The students at La Rochel School in France

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The Globel Encounter
Aga Khan School, Mombasa

The following churches have supported us through their overseas missions work:

Littlehampton United Church
Rustington Methodist Church
All Saints Church, Wick
Methodist Church, East Grinstead

We also record our thanks to our Associates and the work they do; together with many others who help organise and support our fundraising ventures.

Finally, we record our thanks to the Management Team at Unity School for their hard work and commitment to Unity School, and also for looking after the Trustees so well during their visits to Mombasa.

**Our thanks to all who support our children and fundraise or contribute in any way.
This Charity can only continue to support Unity School, the Orphanage, Medical programme,
Feeding programme, Secondary and University Education through your generosity.**



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

Friends of the Mombasa Children

On accounts for the year
ended

31 January 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1155625

Set out on pages

1-12

(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 **31 / 01 / 2025**.

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 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.

Signed:

Date:

03 June 2025

Name:

Luke Hawes MAAT AATQB

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

The Association of Accounting Technicians

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8 students from a University in La Rochelle in France spent a total of 3 months between them supporting Unity School and helping the pupils with French, Sports and other subjects. They also raised funds in a Marathon in Nairobi to fund the Science Classroom at Unity School.

The Trustees are pleased to report that our reserve funds are near to where we wish them to be.

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Total Incoming Resources		29,096.8	46,957.56	76,054.36	67,231.32
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities		17,607.33	54,507.67	72,115.00	48,475.00
Overheads		12,821.64	0.00	12,821.64	8,748.81
Total Resources Expended		30,428.97	54,507.67	84,936.64	57,223.81
Net Incoming Resources		(1,332.17)	(7,550.11)	(8,882.28)	10,007.51
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1. Notes to the accounts

Voluntary Income		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Primary School Support			17,260.00	17,260.00	21,405.00
Sec Ed Support			650.00	650.00	7,558.52
University Students	<i>Note 2</i>		604.75	604.75	1,647.25
Fundraising	<i>Note 1</i>	4,643.09	0.00	4,643.09	4,013.79
Donations for general projects	<i>Note 5</i>	11,387.28	0.00	11,387.28	4,234.14
Medical			0.00	0.00	13,165.52
Feeding project			1,677.07	1,677.07	1,168.84
Teacher Training			0.00	0.00	100.00
Building Improvements			0.00	0.00	0.00
Rented House			3000.00	3000.00	3000.00
Music Room			368.00	368.00	0.00
Equipment for Science Lab			825.60	825.60	0.00
Rafiki		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Boxes and Coins		0.00	0.00	0.00	22.33
Donations through Internet Giving		4,624.93	0.00	4,624.93	454.77
Gift Aid		8,249.63	0.00	8,249.63	3,940.26
Crisis Help Unity School			0.00	0.00	0.00
Crisis Help Teachers			0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest		191.87	0.00	191.87	20.90
New Classrooms	<i>Note 6</i>		22,572.14	22,572.14	6,500.00
Total		29,096.80	46,957.56	76,054.36	67,231.32

Charitable Activity - expenditure

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Unity School support		13,044.40	17,260.00	30,304.40	23,089.00
Secondary Education School fees		0.00	720.00	720.00	700.00
University Fees	<i>Note 2</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,677.00
Expenses for fundraising		140.00		140.00	0.00
Medical Centre			4,770.00	4,770.00	6,778.00
Feeding project		22.93	1,677.07	1,700.00	1,169.00
Teacher Training		0.00	0.00	0.00	1,677.00
Building Improvements		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Classrooms	<i>Note 6</i>	0.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	3,500.00
Rented House		0.00	3,146.00	3,146.00	3,144.00
Renting Classrooms	<i>Note 3</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00

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Science Lab expenditure	<i>Note 9</i>	0.00	825.60	825.60	0.00
Music Room expenditure	<i>Note 9</i>	0.00	368.00	368.00	0.00
Crisis Help for Unity	<i>Note 4</i>	4,400.00	0.00	4,400.00	0.00
Crisis Help for Teachers		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Global Encounter	<i>Note 7</i>	0.00	1,741.00	1,741.00	1,741.00
Total		17,607.33	54,507.67	72,115.00	48,475.00
Overheads					
Bank Charges		690.11	0.00	690.11	817.24
Website		1,431.60	0.00	1,431.60	1,318.00
Admin		325.20	0.00	325.20	119.32
Audit and Legal fees re land transfer	<i>Note 8</i>	9,566.00	0.00	9,566.00	5,685.00
Public Liability Insurance (10m)		808.73	0.00	808.73	809.25
Total		12,821.64	0.00	12,821.64	8,748.81

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Note 2. University Students

There were no further university students in this financial year.

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Following reports of hardship from Mombasa, the Trustees agreed to help contribute towards unexpected costs in the year.

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These include funds raised for unrestricted Unity purposes, from planned events such as Monsoon dinner, various events at Broadwater school, and Bishop Luffa School, plus the London Marathon and the 3 Peaks Walk. In addition, there were sales, fairs and one-off donations kindly received

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Donations and fundraising started in earnest towards the end of 2022 owing to the need for the new classrooms to be completed on the top floor. Three classrooms were completed in this financial year.

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To enable us to safeguard the Land at Unity School, it was decided that an independent Trust be set up. The Education Department in Mombasa was aware of this importance. The new trust has two trustees from FOMC, the doctor who supports our medical project, the Director and Co-Director of Unity School and a Businessman in Mombasa who supported us originally in finding the land, and has continued to support us in various ways.

Note 9 Science Lab and Music instruments

Additional funds were raised to furnish Science and Music classroom equipment which were purchased in the year.

2.Restricted Funds

In order to reflect more accurately the use of funds for "The rented house" and the "Medical Project" the sum carried forward is most of the sum donated for these items. In each case the donations made (in November and October, respectively), need to be spread over a 12-month period.

2a Unity School	£	2d Feeding Project	£
Brought forward	0.00	Brought forward	0.00
Income	17,260.00	Income	1,677.07
Income from UR	13,044.40	Income from UR	22.93
Total income	30,304.40	Total Income	1,700.00
Expended	30,304.40	Expended	1,700.00
Balance	0.00	Balance	0.00

2b Secondary School Fees	£	2e Music Room	£
Brought forward	(26.00)	brought forward	0.00
Income	650.00	Income	368.00
Income from UR		Income from UR	0.00
Total Income	624.00	Total income	368.00
Expended	720.00	Expended	368.00
Balance	(96.00)	Balance	0.00

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2c Medical Centre	£	2f Rented House	£
brought forward	10,653.00	brought forward	3,033.76
Income	0.00	Income	3,000.00
Income from UR		Income from UR	
Total Income	10,653.00	Total income	6,033.76
Expended	4,770.00	Expended	3,146.00
Balance	5,883.19	Balance	2,887.76

2g New Classrooms	£	2i University Students	£
Brought forward	3,000.00	Brought Forward	(604.75)
Income	22,572.14	Income	604.75
Income from UR	0.00	Income from UR	0.00
Total income	25,572.14	Total Income	0.00
Expended	24,000.00	Expended	0.00
Balance	1,572.14	Balance	0.00

2h Global Enc	£	2j Science Lab	£
brought forward	5,217.52	brought forward	0.00
Income	0.00	Income	825.60
Income from UR	0.00	Income from UR	0.00
Total income	5,217.52	Total income	825.60
Expended	1,741.00	Expended	825.60
Balance	3,476.52	Balance	0.00

Carried forward:	£
Restricted funds	
Sec school fees	(96.00)
University fees	0.00
Rented House	2,887.76
Medical Centre	5,883.19
New Classrooms	1,572.14
Music Room	0.00
Global Encounter	3,476.52
Science Lab	0.00
Total c/f	13,723.61

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3. Deposit Account

Transactions	£
Brought forward	10,483.21
Transferred in	0.00
Transferred out	0.00
Interest	170.27
	10,653.48
Balance	

4. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the charity was paid or payable to any trustee.

5. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Represented by:	23/24	22/23
Unrestricted Funds	2,249.17	3,581.34
Restricted Funds	13,723.61	21,273.72
Total	15,972.78	24,855.06

6. The restricted funds are funds specifically organised to provide support of children at primary and secondary schools, provide the feeding and medical projects and to assist the volunteer work in Mombasa. Other monies given for specific projects are also classed as "Restricted". With more money being donated for specific projects, some funds may, in future, be "designated" as a subsection of "Restricted".

7. In addition:

The trustees are most grateful to all individuals and organisations who have contributed:

Fisherbeck Trust

Those who wish to remain anonymous

We also register our thanks to the following schools:

Broadwater C of E primary, Worthing

Bishop Luffa C of E School, Chichester

The students at La Rochelle University in France

Global Encounter Programme-Aga Khan Academy, Mombasa

The following churches have supported us through their overseas mission work:

Littlehampton United Church

Rustington Methodist Church

All Saints Church, Wick

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We also record our thanks to our Associates and the work they do; together with many others who help organise and support our fundraising ventures.

Finally, we record our thanks to the Management Team at Unity School for their hard work and commitment to Unity School, and also for looking after the Trustees so well during their visits to Mombasa.

**Our thanks to all who support our children and fundraise or contribute in any way.
This Charity can only continue to support Unity School, the Orphanage, Medical programme,
Feeding programme, Secondary and University Education through your generosity.**

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Friends of the Mombasa Children C.I.O.

Report to the trustees on account for the year ended 31st January 2024

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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- 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 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

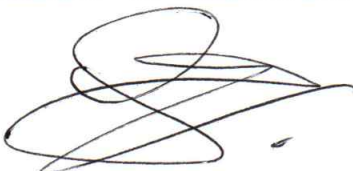
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Mr Steven Trigg, "Trigg Accountancy".

Relevant professional qualification or body: ACMA and CGMA

Business Address: 75 Windroos Drive, Littlehampton, BN17 6FA

Signed:



Date: 22nd September 2024

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Accounts

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE PERIOD 1st FEBRUARY 2022 to
31st JANUARY 2023**

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the accounts for the period ended 31st January 2023. The charity is governed by a constitution adopted on 8th October 2002 and amended on 18th May 2009. In 2014 the Charity became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation

The Trustees are: Mrs Carol Groves, Mr Chris Azzaro, Mrs Karyn Hinks, Mrs Janet Watson, Ms Khatija Volk, Mr Norbert Were, Mrs Steph Spanner

The Objectives of the charity are:-

- To support Unity School in Freretown. Monies are raised through fundraising and donations to support education, feeding and medical care.
- To assist in contributing to the life and growth of Unity School, thus promoting a stable learning environment, encouraging confidence and love.
- To enable young people and adults from the UK to visit the school we support thus nurturing a bond of friendship and care.

Achievements and Performance

It has taken time for us to recover from the various lockdowns and economic situation during the previous two years. Trustees, Teaching Staff and Pupils have all experienced the effects of the last two years, either through the lack of fundraising opportunities in the UK or the reduction of Trustees being able to network in the usual way. In Kenya, the management team have had to contend with the change in the Kenyan Government at short notice, insisting that all Primary Schools now accommodate the 'Lower Secondary' classes. Our next financial year will be concentrating on finalising the top floor of the building, by adding 5 new classrooms.

We have been grateful to supporters who have supported our appeals over this last financial year. In addition, our Trustees have looked at different ways of raising funds, such as another very successful 45-mile bike ride, and a school 'dance a thon'. We were very grateful to the Independent School in Eindhoven for their massive sponsored walk fundraiser, which has supported our medical project. We thank Dr Odiero for his commitment in ensuring that all pupils receive medical care.

The Trustees are pleased to report that our reserve funds are near to where we wish them to be.

During the financial year two Trustees travelled to Unity School in October 2022. The last visit was in February 2020, just before the pandemic hit the UK with lockdowns. Three Trustees are planning to travel in March 2023.

In addition, Mr Norbert Were, the Director at Unity School was able to come to the UK in November 2022. This was a successful visit, with Mr Were visiting Schools, Churches, and supporters new and existing during his visit. Part of this visit was engaging with supporters to set up a new 'Social Media team', to support the Trustees with publicity.

Financial Review

The accounts comply with current statutory requirements; the Trust's governing investments and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011

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The Charity's gross income for the period was **£67,231.32** and its net incoming resources totalled surplus of £10,007.51.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing accounts giving a fair and true view, the trustees should follow best practice and:

Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;

Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which dissolve with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with The Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the risks to which the charity may be exposed with particular reference to those relating to the operations and finances of the charity. Systems are in place to ensure that all risks are recorded for subsequent monitoring and review. In the mean-time the trustees remain satisfied that all insurable risks have been identified and adequately dealt with and that the charity's exposure to other risks is kept at a minimum by good working practice by the trustees and volunteers. The Trustees have increased our Public Liability Insurance to £10m and have also taken out insurance for Trustee Indemnity.

Reserves Policy

The trustees try to maintain sufficient funds to meet a minimum of four months operating expenses.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 23rd September 2023 and signed on its behalf by

C. Groves Chairman

K. Volk Treasurer

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**1st February 2022 - 31st January
2023**

Statement of financial activities

	Notes	February 2022 - January 2023			2022
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Incoming Resources					
From Generated Funds					
Voluntary Income and Activities for generating funds		12665.29	54,545.13	67,210.42	45,075.44
Investment Income		20.90		20.90	0.60
Total Incoming Resources		12,686.19	54,545.13	67,231.32	45,076.04
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities		7,150.42	41,324.58	48,475.00	45,704.10
Overheads		8,748.81	0.00	8,748.81	3071.39
Total Resources Expended		15,899.23	41,324.58	57,223.81	48,775.49
Net Incoming Resources		(3,213.04)	13,220.55	10,007.51	(3,699.45)
Balance Brought Forward		6,794.38	8,053.17	14,847.55	18,547.00
Balance Carried Forward		3,581.34	21,273.72	24,855.06	14,847.55

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Balance Sheet 31st January 2023

	2023	2022
Cash in the bank		
HSBC Current	13,908.30	7,921.69
HSBC Deposit	10,483.21	6,462.31
Lloyds	463.55	463.55
Cash in hand		
Net Current Assets	24,855.06	14,847.55

The accounts were approved by the Committee of Trustees on

And signed on their behalf by:-

C Groves

Chairman

K Volk

Treasurer

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Sec Ed Support			7,558.52	7,558.52	2,855.00
University Students			1,647.25	1,647.25	1,274.00
Fundraising	Note 1	4,013.79		4,013.79	1,839.12
Donations for general projects	Note 5	4,234.14		4,234.14	5,701.30
Medical			13,165.52	13,165.52	5,626.10
Feeding project			1,168.84	1,168.84	960.00
Teacher Training			100.00	100.00	120.00
Building Improvements			0.00	0.00	2,950.00
Rented House			3000.00	3000.00	3000.00
Items in Kenya				0.00	0.00
Books/classroom equipment				0.00	0.00
Rafiki		0.00		0.00	0.00
Boxes and Coins		22.33		22.33	128.91
Donations through Internet Giving		454.77		454.77	3,302.15
Gift Aid		3,940.26		3,940.26	4,596.64
Crisis Help Unity School			0.00	0.00	0.00
Crisis Help Teachers			0.00	0.00	720.00
Interest		20.90		20.90	00.60
New Classrooms	Note 6		6,500.00	6,500.00	00.00
Total		12,686.19	54,545.13	67,231.32	45,076.04

Charitable Activity - expenditure

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Unity School support		1684.00	21,405.00	23,089.00	20,646.00
Secondary Education School fees		0	700.00	700.00	4,441.00
University Fees	Note 2	0	1,677.00	1,677.00	1,958.00
Expenses for fundraising		0.00		0.00	30.00
Medical Centre			6,778.00	6,778.00	5,354.10
Feeding project		0.16	1,168.84	1,169.00	2,753.00
Teacher Training		466.26	1,210.74	1,677.00	120.00
Building Improvements			2,950.00	2,950.00	2,950.00
New Classrooms			3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
Rented House			3,144.00	3,144.00	2,904.00
Renting Classrooms	Note 3	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
Clothes, Books and Classroom equipment		0.00		0.00	0.00
Crisis Help for Unity	Note 4	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,828.00
Crisis Help for Teachers		0.00	0.00	0.00	720.00
Global Encounters	Note 7	0.00	1,741.00	0.00	0.00
Total		7,150.42	41,324.58	48,475.00	45,704.10

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Overheads				
Bank Charges	817.24	0.00	817.24	492.00
Website	1,318.00	0.00	1,318.00	1,099.20
Admin	119.32	0.00	119.32	668.25
Legal fees re land transfer	Note 8 5,685.00	0.00	5,685.00	0.00
Public Liability Insurance (10m)	809.25	0.00	809.25	811.94
Total	8,748.81	0.00	8,748.81	3,071.39

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In September 2016, four of our students were offered University places. Payment of fees, accommodation and other expenses is transferred via Unity School. Mr Joash Obento oversees the payment of school fees and students' expenses. For boarding students this ranges from textbooks, photocopying to mattresses and toilet paper. A record of income, and payments has been maintained. The Pandemic resulted in students being sent home and additional travel and food expenses were incurred.

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Following reports of hardship from Mombasa, the Trustees appealed for help towards the cost of alleviating the difficulties being faced. This included additional funds for feeding the pupils (even when the school was closed) and providing learning materials for children to work at home. Parents do not have access to the internet, so it was vitally important that pupils were given paper packs of photocopied work to collect on a Monday and bring back on a Friday. Our help in this was vital to the continuation of their school work.

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During 2021, funds were raised included Bike Ride and also a Mount Snowdon climb to the top. Towards the end of 2021, we were able to start some of our smaller fundraising activities. In addition, we were able to take part in a new online fundraising event 'The Big Give Christmas Challenge'. We were successful in this initiative, which gave us the opportunity to replenish our much-needed funds for our medical project. Some of the income from these are recorded as "On-line giving" rather than donations or fundraising.

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2a Unity School	£	2d Feeding Project	£
Brought forward	0.00	Brought forward	0.00
Income	21,405.00	Income	1,168.84
Income from UR	1,684.00	Income from UR	0.16
Total income	23,089.00	Total Income	1,169.00
Expended	23,089.00	Expended	1,169.00
Balance	0.00	Balance	0.00

2b Secondary School Fees	£	2e Teacher Training	£
Brought forward	74.00	brought forward	1,110.74
Income	600.00	Income	100.00
Income from UR		Income from UR	466.26
Total Income	674.00	Total income	1,677.00
Expended	700.00	Expended	1,677.00
Balance	(26.00)	Balance	0.00

2c Medical	£	2f Rented House	£
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Centre

brought forward	4,265.67	brought forward	3,177.76
Income	13,165.52	Income	3,000.00
Income from UR		Income from UR	
Total Income	17,431.19	Total income	6,177.76
Expended	6,778.00	Expended	3,144.00
Balance	10,653.19	Balance	3,033.76

2g New Classrooms

£

Brought forward	0.00
Income	6,500.00
Income from UR	0.00
Total income	6,500.00
Expended	3,500.00
Balance	3,000.00

2h Global Enc

£

brought forward	0
Income	6,958.52
Income from UR	0.00
Total income	6,958.52
Expended	1,741.00
Balance	5,217.52

2i University Students

£

brought forward	(575.00)
Income	1,647.25
Income from UR	0.00
Total income	1,072.25
Expended	1,677.00
Balance	(604.75)

Carried forward:

£

Restricted funds	0
Sec school fees	(26.00)
University fees	(604.75)

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Rented House	3,033.76
Medical Centre	10,653.19
New Classrooms	3,000.00
Global Encounter	5,217.52

Total cf	21,273.72
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**Deposit
Account**

Transactions	£
Brought forward	6,462.71
	4,000.00
Transferred in	0.00
Transferred out	20.9
Interest	
	10,483.21

Balance

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Represented by:	22/23	21/22
Unrestricted Funds	3,581.34	6,794.38
Restricted Funds	21,273.72	8,053.17
Total	24,855.06	14,847.55

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Name: Mr Steven Trigg, "Trigg Accountancy".

Relevant professional qualification or body: ACMA and CGMA

Business Address: 75 Windroos Drive, Littlehampton, BN17 6FA

Signed: *SR Trigg*

Date: 28/10/2022

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Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;

Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which dissolve with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with The Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the risks to which the charity may be exposed with particular reference to those relating to the operations and finances of the charity. Systems are in place to ensure that all risks are recorded for subsequent monitoring and review. In the mean-time the trustees remain satisfied that all insurable risks have been identified and adequately dealt with and that the charity's exposure to other risks is kept at a minimum by good working practice by the trustees and volunteers. The Trustees have maintained our Public Liability Insurance at £10m and have also taken out insurance for Trustee Indemnity.

Reserves Policy

The trustees try to maintain sufficient funds to meet a minimum of four months operating expenses.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 2021 and signed on its behalf by

C. Groves Chairman

C. Azzaro Retiring Treasurer

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**1st February 2020 - 31st January
2021**

Statement of financial activities

	Notes	February 2020 - January 2021			2020
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Incoming Resources					
From Generated Funds					
Voluntary Income and Activities for generating funds		25967.00	36810.31	62777.31	59059.06
Investment Income					
Total Incoming Resources		25967.00	36810.31	62777.31	59059.56
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities		20620.99	30433.23	51054.22	59204.84
Overheads		2441.95	0.00	2441.95	2313.13
Total Resources Expended		23062.94	30433.23	53496.17	61517.97
Net Incoming Resources		2904.06	6377.08	9281.14	-2458.91
Balance Brought Forward		5329.13	3936.73	9265.86	
Balance Carried Forward		8233.19	10313.81	18547.00	9265.86

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Balance Sheet 31st January 2021

	2021	2020
Cash in the bank		
HSBC Current	11,621.74	2,345.62
HSBC Deposit	6,461.71	6,456.69
Lloyds	4,63.55	463.55
Cash in hand		
Net Current Assets	18,547.00	9265.86

The accounts were approved by the Committee of Trustees on

And signed on their behalf by:-

C Groves Chairman

C Azzaro Treasurer

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Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and have been drawn up in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Friends of the Mombasa Children in preparing these accounts are set out below:

(a) Incoming Resources

Incoming Resources represent fundraising, donations and sponsorship received during the year.

(b) Resources Expended

Expenditure is composed mainly of support for Unity School, Feeding project, Medical Programme and Secondary Education.

Governance costs are those for the running of the charity itself as an organisation

(c) Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and not subject to a charge of tax.

(d) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donors. The purpose of each restricted fund is set out in notes to these accounts.

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Notes to the accounts

Voluntary Income		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Primary School Support			10372.00	10372.00	11646.00
Sec Ed Support			3227.00	3227.00	2651.00
University Students			1040.00	1040.00	2854.00
Fundraising	Note 1	3725.17		3725.17	4989.95
Donations for general projects	Note 5	9649.59		9649.59	13245.82
Medical			8161.89	8161.89	5095.04
Feeding project			2146.01	2146.01	1604.40
Teacher Training			1028.41	1028.41	0.00
Building Improvements			1600.00	1600.00	1000.00
Rented House			3000.00	3000.00	3000.00
Items in Kenya			0.00	0.00	227.50
Books/classroom equipment			0.00	0.00	3966.37
Rafiki		22.00		22.00	62.00
Boxes and Coins		338.45		338.45	413.19
Donations through Internet Giving		6276.24		6276.24	2616.13
Gift Aid		5950.53		5950.53	5602.25
Crisis Help Unity School	Note 4		3985.00	3985.00	
Crisis Help Teachers			2250.00	2250.00	
Interest		5.02		5.02	5.41
New Building				0.00	0.00
Total		25967.00	36810.31	62777.31	59059.06

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Charitable Activity - expenditure

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Unity School support	14895.00	10372.00	25267.00	19662.00
Secondary Education School fees	0	1567.00	1567.00	5681.18
University Fees Note 2	0	931.00	931.00	2920.74
Expenses for fundraising			0.00	210.00
Medical Centre		4168.22	4168.22	7178.42
Feeding project	2128.99	2146.01	4275.00	1695.00
Teacher Training			0.00	0.00
Building Improvements	482.00	1700.00	2182.00	900.00
New School building			0.00	11595.00
Rented House		2904.00	2904.00	2724.00
Items in Kenya Note 3		410.00	410.00	593.50
Clothes, Books and Classroom equipment	2600.00		2600.00	5440.00
Crisis Help for Unity	65.00	3985.00	4050.00	
Crisis Help for Teachers	450.00	2250.00	2700.00	
Other				605.00
Total	20620.99	30433.23	51054.22	59204.84
Overheads				
Bank Charges	654.27		654.27	439.21
Website	673.20		673.20	595.20
Admin	342.50		342.50	342.53
Public Liability Insurance (£10m)	771.98		771.98	936.19
Total	2441.95	0.00	2441.95	2313.13

Note 1 Fundraising

A record of all fundraising activity is kept, detailing income and any expenditure for every event.

Note 2. University Students

In September 2016, four of our students were offered University places. Payment of fees, accommodation and other expenses is transferred via Unity School. Mr Joash Obento oversees the payment of school fees and students' expenses. For boarding students this ranges from textbooks, photocopying to mattresses and toilet paper. A record of income, and payments has been maintained. The Pandemic resulted in students being sent home and additional travel and food expenses were incurred.

Note 3 Trustee Visits/Items in Kenya

Ensuring that money given to this charity is properly spent in Kenya is an important part of the Trustee's work. Trustees visiting Kenya for this purpose or leading groups may, if they wish, claim up to £300 towards the cost of their airfares and assistance with accommodation, visas and Malarone (As detailed in the minutes 28th November 2016). Due to the pressure on financial resources following the completion of the new building, this bursary was suspended in this financial year. This heading has also been used for money spent in Kenya, by Trustees, on discovering urgent needs during visits.

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Note 4 Crisis help for teachers and School

Following reports of hardship from Mombasa, the Trustees appealed for help towards the cost of alleviating the difficulties being faced. This included additional fund for feeding the poorest families, assisting staff with rental payments and providing learning materials for children to work at home.

Note 5 Donations/Fundraising

During 2020, when practically all fundraising activities were postponed, we were able to think of different ways to raise funds. These included a successful Bike Ride (Promoted by the Mayor of London and Prudential), an African Hamper Raffle, On-line selling and birthday donations from Trustees and supporters. Some the income from these is recorded as “On-line giving” rather than donations or fundraising.

Restricted Funds

In order to reflect more accurately the use of funds for “The rented house” and the “Medical Centre” the sum carried forward is most of the sum donated for these items. In each case the donations made (in November and October, respectively), need to be spread over a 12-month period. Due to school closures during the pandemic, this year there are funds carried forward for Secondary school and University fees as well as Teacher Training (Mr Norbert’s intended visit to the UK).

2a Unity School	£	2d Feeding Project	£
carried forward	0.00	Carried forward	0.00
Income	10372.0	Income	2146.01
Income from UR	14895.0	Income from UR	2128.99
Total income	25267.00	Total Income	4275.00
Expended	25267.00	Expended	4275.00
Balance	0.00	Balance	0.00
2b Secondary School Fees	£	2e Teacher Training	£
carried forward	0.00	carried forward	82.33
Income	3227.00	Income	1028.41
Income from UR		Income from UR	
Total Income	3227.00	Total income	1110.74
Expended	1567.00	Expended	0
Balance	1660.00	Balance	1110.74
2c Medical Centre	£	2f Rented House	£
carried forward	0	carried forward	2985.76
Income	8161.89	Income	3000.00
Income from UR		Income from UR	
Total Income	8161.89	Total income	5985.76

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Expended	4168.22	Expended	2904.00
Balance	3993.67	Balance	3081.76

£

2h Building Improvements

carried forward	100.00
Income	1600.00
Income from UR	482.00
Total income	2182.00
Expended	2182.00
Balance	0.00

2g Items in Kenya/ Group visits

£

carried forward	
Income	0.00
Income from UR	410.00
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Expended	410.00
Balance	0

2j Crisis help Unity

carried forward	0
Income	3985.00
Income from UR	65.00
Total income	4050.00
Expended	4050.00
Balance	0

2i University Students

carried forward	0
Income	1040.00
Income from UR	
Total income	1040.00
Expended	931.00
Balance	109.00

Carried forward: £

Restricted funds	358.64
Sec school fees	1660.00
University fees	109.00
Rented house	3081.76
Teacher training	1110.74
Medical Centre	3993.67
Total cf	10313.81

2k Crisis help Teachers

carried forward	0
Income	2250.00
Income from UR	450.00
Total income	2700.00
Expended	2700.00
Balance	0

Deposit Account
Transactions

£

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carried forward	6456.69
Transferred in	0
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Relevant professional qualification or body: C&G's in Accounting & Book-Keeping equiv. ICB Level 3

Inland Revenue Agent Reference no: HR 3139

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The Charity's gross income for the period was **£62,777.31** (2019: **£59,059.56**) and its net incoming resources totalled **£9281.14** (2019: **£2,458.91**)

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing accounts giving a fair and true view, the trustees should follow best practice and:

Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;

Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which dissolve with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with The Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the risks to which the charity may be exposed with particular reference to those relating to the operations and finances of the charity. Systems are in place to ensure that all risks are recorded for subsequent monitoring and review. In the mean-time the trustees remain satisfied that all insurable risks have been identified and adequately dealt with and that the charity's exposure to other risks is kept at a minimum by good working practice by the trustees and volunteers. The Trustees have maintained our Public Liability Insurance at £10m and have also taken out insurance for Trustee Indemnity.

Reserves Policy

The trustees try to maintain sufficient funds to meet a minimum of four months operating expenses.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 2021 and signed on its behalf by

C. Groves Chairman

C. Azzaro Retiring Treasurer

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**1st February 2020 - 31st January
2021**

Statement of financial activities

	Notes	February 2020 - January 2021			2020
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
Incoming Resources					
From Generated Funds					
Voluntary Income and Activities for generating funds		25967.00	36810.31	62777.31	59059.06
Investment Income					
Total Incoming Resources		25967.00	36810.31	62777.31	59059.56
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities		20620.99	30433.23	51054.22	59204.84
Overheads		2441.95	0.00	2441.95	2313.13
Total Resources Expended		23062.94	30433.23	53496.17	61517.97
Net Incoming Resources		2904.06	6377.08	9281.14	-2458.91
Balance Brought Forward		5329.13	3936.73	9265.86	
Balance Carried Forward		8233.19	10313.81	18547.00	9265.86

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these accounts

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Balance Sheet 31st January 2021

	2021	2020
Cash in the bank		
HSBC Current	11,621.74	2,345.62
HSBC Deposit	6,461.71	6,456.69
Lloyds	4,63.55	463.55
Cash in hand		
Net Current Assets	18,547.00	9265.86

The accounts were approved by the Committee of Trustees on

And signed on their behalf by:-

C Groves Chairman

C Azzaro Treasurer

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these accounts

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Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and have been drawn up in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Friends of the Mombasa Children in preparing these accounts are set out below:

(a) Incoming Resources

Incoming Resources represent fundraising, donations and sponsorship received during the year.

(b) Resources Expended

Expenditure is composed mainly of support for Unity School, Feeding project, Medical Programme and Secondary Education.

Governance costs are those for the running of the charity itself as an organisation

(c) Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and not subject to a charge of tax.

(d) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donors. The purpose of each restricted fund is set out in notes to these accounts.

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Voluntary Income		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Primary School Support			10372.00	10372.00	11646.00
Sec Ed Support			3227.00	3227.00	2651.00
University Students			1040.00	1040.00	2854.00
Fundraising	Note 1	3725.17		3725.17	4989.95
Donations for general projects	Note 5	9649.59		9649.59	13245.82
Medical			8161.89	8161.89	5095.04
Feeding project			2146.01	2146.01	1604.40
Teacher Training			1028.41	1028.41	0.00
Building Improvements			1600.00	1600.00	1000.00
Rented House			3000.00	3000.00	3000.00
Items in Kenya			0.00	0.00	227.50
Books/classroom equipment			0.00	0.00	3966.37
Rafiki		22.00		22.00	62.00
Boxes and Coins		338.45		338.45	413.19
Donations through Internet Giving		6276.24		6276.24	2616.13
Gift Aid		5950.53		5950.53	5602.25
Crisis Help Unity School	Note 4		3985.00	3985.00	
Crisis Help Teachers			2250.00	2250.00	
Interest		5.02		5.02	5.41
New Building				0.00	0.00
Total		25967.00	36810.31	62777.31	59059.06

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Charitable Activity - expenditure

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Last Year
Unity School support	14895.00	10372.00	25267.00	19662.00
Secondary Education School fees	0	1567.00	1567.00	5681.18
University Fees Note 2	0	931.00	931.00	2920.74
Expenses for fundraising			0.00	210.00
Medical Centre		4168.22	4168.22	7178.42
Feeding project	2128.99	2146.01	4275.00	1695.00
Teacher Training			0.00	0.00
Building Improvements	482.00	1700.00	2182.00	900.00
New School building			0.00	11595.00
Rented House		2904.00	2904.00	2724.00
Items in Kenya Note 3		410.00	410.00	593.50
Clothes, Books and Classroom equipment	2600.00		2600.00	5440.00
Crisis Help for Unity	65.00	3985.00	4050.00	
Crisis Help for Teachers	450.00	2250.00	2700.00	
Other				605.00
Total	20620.99	30433.23	51054.22	59204.84
Overheads				
Bank Charges	654.27		654.27	439.21
Website	673.20		673.20	595.20
Admin	342.50		342.50	342.53
Public Liability Insurance (£10m)	771.98		771.98	936.19
Total	2441.95	0.00	2441.95	2313.13

Note 1 Fundraising

A record of all fundraising activity is kept, detailing income and any expenditure for every event.

Note 2. University Students

In September 2016, four of our students were offered University places. Payment of fees, accommodation and other expenses is transferred via Unity School. Mr Joash Obento oversees the payment of school fees and students' expenses. For boarding students this ranges from textbooks, photocopying to mattresses and toilet paper. A record of income, and payments has been maintained. The Pandemic resulted in students being sent home and additional travel and food expenses were incurred.

Note 3 Trustee Visits/Items in Kenya

Ensuring that money given to this charity is properly spent in Kenya is an important part of the Trustee's work. Trustees visiting Kenya for this purpose or leading groups may, if they wish, claim up to £300 towards the cost of their airfares and assistance with accommodation, visas and Malarone (As detailed in the minutes 28th November 2016). Due to the pressure on financial resources following the completion of the new building, this bursary was suspended in this financial year. This heading has also been used for money spent in Kenya, by Trustees, on discovering urgent needs during visits.

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Note 4 Crisis help for teachers and School

Following reports of hardship from Mombasa, the Trustees appealed for help towards the cost of alleviating the difficulties being faced. This included additional fund for feeding the poorest families, assisting staff with rental payments and providing learning materials for children to work at home.

Note 5 Donations/Fundraising

During 2020, when practically all fundraising activities were postponed, we were able to think of different ways to raise funds. These included a successful Bike Ride (Promoted by the Mayor of London and Prudential), an African Hamper Raffle, On-line selling and birthday donations from Trustees and supporters. Some the income from these is recorded as “On-line giving” rather than donations or fundraising.

Restricted Funds

In order to reflect more accurately the use of funds for “The rented house” and the “Medical Centre” the sum carried forward is most of the sum donated for these items. In each case the donations made (in November and October, respectively), need to be spread over a 12-month period. Due to school closures during the pandemic, this year there are funds carried forward for Secondary school and University fees as well as Teacher Training (Mr Norbert’s intended visit to the UK).

2a Unity School	£	2d Feeding Project	£
carried forward	0.00	Carried forward	0.00
Income	10372.0	Income	2146.01
Income from UR	14895.0	Income from UR	2128.99
Total income	25267.00	Total Income	4275.00
Expended	25267.00	Expended	4275.00
Balance	0.00	Balance	0.00
2b Secondary School Fees	£	2e Teacher Training	£
carried forward	0.00	carried forward	82.33
Income	3227.00	Income	1028.41
Income from UR		Income from UR	
Total Income	3227.00	Total income	1110.74
Expended	1567.00	Expended	0
Balance	1660.00	Balance	1110.74
2c Medical Centre	£	2f Rented House	£
carried forward	0	carried forward	2985.76
Income	8161.89	Income	3000.00
Income from UR		Income from UR	
Total Income	8161.89	Total income	5985.76

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Expended	4168.22	Expended	2904.00
Balance	3993.67	Balance	3081.76

£

2h Building Improvements

carried forward	100.00
Income	1600.00
Income from UR	482.00
Total income	2182.00
Expended	2182.00
Balance	0.00

2g Items in Kenya/ Group visits

£

carried forward	
Income	0.00
Income from UR	410.00
Total income	410.00
Expended	410.00
Balance	0

2j Crisis help Unity

carried forward	0
Income	3985.00
Income from UR	65.00
Total income	4050.00
Expended	4050.00
Balance	0

2i University Students

carried forward	0
Income	1040.00
Income from UR	
Total income	1040.00
Expended	931.00
Balance	109.00

Carried forward: £

Restricted funds	358.64
Sec school fees	1660.00
University fees	109.00
Rented house	3081.76
Teacher training	1110.74
Medical Centre	3993.67
Total cf	10313.81

2k Crisis help Teachers

carried forward	0
Income	2250.00
Income from UR	450.00
Total income	2700.00
Expended	2700.00
Balance	0

Deposit Account
Transactions

£

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carried forward	6456.69
Transferred in	0
Transferred out	0
Interest	5.02
Balance	6461.71

4. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the charity was paid or payable to any trustee. See note 3 for expenses when visiting Unity School, Kenya

5. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Represented by:	2020	2019
Unrestricted Funds	8233.19	5329.13
Restricted Funds	10313.81	3936.73
Total	18547.00	9265.86

6. The restricted funds are funds specifically organised to provide support of children at primary and secondary schools, provide the feeding and medical projects and to assist the volunteer work in Mombasa. Other monies given for specific projects are also classed as “Restricted”. With more money being donated for specific projects, some funds may, in future, be “designated” as a subsection of “Restricted”.

7. In addition:

The trustees are most grateful to all individuals and organisations who have contributed, especially:
The Parish church of St Peter and St Paul, Rustington
International School Eindhoven

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Who have each contributed over £2000 in the past year.

We also register our thanks to the following schools and Rotary

Broadwater C of E primary, Worthing
Georgian Gardens Primary School, Rustington
Whitemeadow School, Littlehampton
River Beach Primary School, Littlehampton
Bishop Luffa C of E School, Chichester
Chesswood CP, Worthing
Forest Boys School, Horsham
Rotary club of Littlehampton

The following churches have supported us through their overseas missions work:

Littlehampton United Church
Rustington Methodist Church
Linslade Parish Church
All Saints Church, Wick

We also record our thanks to our Associates and the work they do; together with many others who help organise and support our fundraising ventures.

Finally, we record our thanks to the Management Team at Unity School for their hard work and commitment to Unity School, and also for looking after the Trustees so well during their visits to Mombasa.

Our thanks to all who support our children and fundraise or contribute in any way.
This Charity can only continue to support Unity School, the Orphanage, Medical programme,
Feeding programme, Secondary and University Education through your generosity.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Friends of the Mombasa Children C.I.O.

Report to the trustees on account for the year ended 31st January 202

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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- 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 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
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- 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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Signed:

Date:

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Signed: *L. A. Drew*

Dated: *11th May 2021*