



*Vale for Africa*

*Trustees Report and Accounts*

*For the Year Ended 30th June 2024*

**Vale for Africa  
Trustees' Report  
For the Year Ended 30th June 2024**

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

**CHARITY NAME:** Vale For Africa

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:** 1155642

**CHARITY'S PRINCIPAL ADDRESS:** c/o 50 Harbour Walk  
BARRY  
CF62 5BA

**NAMES OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES WHO MANAGE THE CHARITY:**

<b>Trustee Name</b>	<b>Dates Acted If Not For Whole Year</b>
Canon Aled EDWARDS OBE	From 05/10/2023
Graham BENFIELD	
Gary Stephen DUNSFORD	
Annette DOBBS	
Christine JAMES	
Daniel MORRIS	
Maureen MAPP	
Dawn SAVILLE	
Dr Hasmukh SHAH	
Sian TESNI	

**NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ADVISORS:**

<b>Type of Advisor</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
Bank	HSBC Bank	1c 85 Holton Road, BARRY, CF63 4HG
Accountants	Cross & Bowen	Riverside House, Normandy Road Swansea, SA1 2JA

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARITY'S TRUSTS:**

**Type Of Governing Document:** The charity's constitution was originally adopted on 8th March 2010. A revised constitution was adopted on 12th December 2013.

**How The Charity Is Constituted:** Unincorporated trust.

**Trustee Selection Methods:** Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the General Meeting.

**Additional Governance Issues:** The charity's bank, HSBC pic, carries out an annual 'Safeguard' review to protect against financial crime, and Vale for Africa satisfied them with information and procedures.  
All trustees give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits.

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing documents**

The preservation and protection of good health by the provision of eye care and medical outreach services in the Tororo District of Uganda;

To advance the education of the public and medical professionals in the study of eye and eye health with the aim of improving diagnosis and treatment of diseases and conditions which effect the eye;

To advance the education of the public by the provision of library services in Tororo;

To advance the education of the public in the Vale of Glamorgan and surrounding areas regarding health and education in Uganda.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these Objects**

In delivering our activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings. The main activities continue to be the support of a number of projects benefitting the community in Tororo District, Uganda. During the year, our partner organisation in Uganda, Advancement for Community Empowerment in Tororo [ACET], helped us direct funds raised in the Vale of Glamorgan, and surrounding areas, in support of support of the community.

Our main projects were:

- development of ACET's governance;
- financial support of the ACET rural library;
- the continued support of a student from Tororo completing her studies at UWC Atlantic College, together with support enabling her to continue studies in the United States; and
- funds in support of the supply of protective equipment to the Benedictine Eye Hospital, and Tororo District Hospital as part of their Covid-19 response and ongoing needs

**Additional details of objectives and activities**

We are grateful to the many supporters who ensure that through their generosity, the quality of life for our beneficiaries is improved.

**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity**

The Charity assisted scholars to graduate focusing on Bachelor of Science in Education and Bachelor of Education in languages. Further support was given to the Library enabling improvements in student grades. The facility may assist 50 to 66 users daily.

The trustees have reviewed their governance procedures concerning conflicts of interests and put new procedures in place.

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Brief statement on the charity's policy on reserves**

Our financial performance during the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024 has shown an excess of income over expenditure of £13.5k.

In year ended 30th June 2024, income was £25.2k, including a donations of £20k; from an individual.

Expenditure included donations of £8.8k to specific projects.

Cash at bank on 30th June 2024 was £47.3k in unrestricted funds.

The main financial risk to the charity is currently the pressing need to recruit trustees and officers to ensure the ongoing activities of the charity and its future sustainability.

Approved by the Trustees on 28th April 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Aled Edwards', with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

Canon Aled Edwards OBE

Trustee

## **Vale for Africa**

### **Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Vale for Africa on the accounts for the year ended 30th June 2024**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity on pages 6 to 7 for the year ended 30th June 2024 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) as modified by FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW), and under the historical cost convention.

#### **Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner and the basis of the report**

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and all other applicable law and with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, applicable to smaller entities, and for being satisfied that the accounts give a true and fair view.

The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply and that the accounts do not require an audit. As a consequence, the Trustees have elected that the accounts be subject to independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts are not required to be audited under any legal provision, or otherwise, and are eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:-

- a) examine the accounts of the charity under Section 145 of the Act;
- b) follow the applicable procedures in the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement and scope of work undertaken**

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under s145 of the Act. In carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act setting out the duties of an independent examiner in relation to the conducting of an independent examination. An independent examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and of the accounting systems employed 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 such matters. The purpose of the examination is to establish as far as possible that there have been no breaches of charity legislation and that, on a test basis of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures made, the accounts comply with the SORP.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and information supplied by the Trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries and does not cover all the matters that an auditor would consider in arriving at an opinion. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide

Consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts, and in particular, I express no opinion as to whether the accounts give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charity, and my report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

I planned and performed my examination so as to satisfy myself that the objectives of the independent examination are achieved and before finalising the report I obtained written assurances from the Trustees of all material matters.

## **Vale for Africa**

### **Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Vale for Africa on the accounts for the year ended 30th June 2024**

#### **Independent Examiner's Statement, Report and Opinion**

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of my work as detailed above, I have completed my examination: and can confirm that:-

The accounts of this charity are not required to be audited under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011;

This is a report in respect of an examination carried out under 145 of the Act and in accordance with Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act which may be applicable;

and that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:-

accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by Section 130 of The Charities Act 2011;

the accounts do not accord with those records; or

have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles set out in the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:-**



Mr. N. Davies - Independent Examiner

Chartered Certified Accountant

Cross & Bowen  
Riverside House  
Normandy Road  
Swansea  
SA1 2JA

This report was signed on 28th April 2025

**Vale for Africa**  
**Receipts and Payments Account**  
**For the Year Ended 30th June 2024**

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**Receipts**

General donations	2,172.16
Donation - Roger Bugler	20,000.00
Fundraising dinner	3,100.00
<b>Total receipts</b>	<u>25,272.16</u>

**Payments**

Donations	8,813.61
Bank charges	130.43
Fundraising dinner	2,125.00
Software costs	155.88
Independent examiner's fee	480.00
	<u>11,704.92</u>

<b>Surplus</b>	<u><u>13,567.24</u></u>
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**Vale for Africa**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As at 30th June 2024**

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**Assets**

Bank	47,391.81
	<u>47,391.81</u>

**Liabilities**

Accrued expenses	480.00
	<u>480.00</u>

<b>Net Assets</b>	<u><u>46,911.81</u></u>
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Financed By:

**Capital Account**

At 1st July 2023	33,344.57
Surplus for the year	13,567.24
	<u>46,911.81</u>
At 30th June 2024	<u><u>46,911.81</u></u>