

THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1156737

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2014-04-17

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

Contact

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Orpington
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Activities

Objects: 2.2 THE OBJECTS OF THE TRUST ARE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC:2.2.1 TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT; AND2.2.2 TO RELIEVE POVERTY AND NEED IN AFRICA IN PARTICULAR (BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY) AMONG ORPHANED AND VULNERABLE CHILDREN IN ZIMBABWE.

Activities: Provides funding primarily, but not exclusively, for children at risk in Zimbabwe for education, relieving or preventing poverty, accommodation / housing and religious activities.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People

Geography

- Bromley

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£58,996	£51,825	-	-
2023-12-31	£42,480	£40,692	-	-
2022-12-31	£51,094	£71,521	-	-
2021-12-31	£48,871	£53,663	-	-
2020-12-31	£41,342	£15,410	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID ROBERT HILLMAN LODGE		2014-03-04
JANICE ANN EDWARDS		2014-03-04
RUPERT JAMES WILKINSON		2014-03-04

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REPORT & ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

Registered Charity	1156737
Contact Address	Miss J A Edwards 67 Glendower Crescent Orpington BR6 0UP
Governing Document	Declaration of Trust dated 03/06/2013
Trustees	Mr D R H Lodge Miss J A Edwards Mr R J Wilkinson
Bankers	Barclays Bank PLC Leicester LE87 2BB
Independent Examiner	Andrew Harker Collards Chartered Accountants 5-9 Eden Street Kingston upon Thames Surrey, KT1 1BQ

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**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees present the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024.

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The Michael Project UK is the UK organisation that supports The Michael Project Zimbabwe, (whose projects include Chikurubi, Wingate and Greystone Park pre-school centres), the River of Life Church, (whose projects include Shalom Children's Home), and The Cross Over Project. These Zimbabwean organisations seek to provide education, accommodation and Christian teaching for children, many of whom are considered to be at risk. These organisations are also actively engaged in the relief of poverty for those children and their families.

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The trustees seek to ensure that the vast majority of general donations given are forwarded to Zimbabwe with minimum UK expenditure incurred. UK expenditure is restricted to governance and administration costs consisting primarily of bank charges and the costs of preparing and independently examining the annual accounts.

ORGANISATION

The trustees currently meet on an occasional basis to set policy, review activities and monitor the financial situation.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

To further its charitable objectives, the trustees sent £40,251 to Zimbabwe during the year. £17,206 was transferred to the River of Life Church for Shalom Children's Home and £23,045 was transferred to the Michael Project Zimbabwe. One of the trustees visited Zimbabwe during the year which aided the oversight of the work for which grants were provided.

In considering the activities of the charity the trustees have had regard to the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Receipts for the year of £58,996 (2023: £42,480) being £16,516 more than 2023. Total expenses for the year were £51,825 (2023 : £40,692) of which £50,070 was paid in grants as set out in note 2 to the accounts.

At the end of the year, cash funds stood at £29,273 (2023 : £22,102), which the trustees intend to send to Zimbabwe during 2025.

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

RESERVES

With only limited UK operational expenditure, the trustees do not consider a formal reserves policy to be necessary. At the end of the year the charity had fund balances of £29,273 compared to £22,102 the previous year. The balance in the main account was regularly sent to Zimbabwe usually in tranches of around £5,000 - £20,000.

RISK STATEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks that the charity faces. These are predominantly financial (shortfall of funds and fraud). Controls are in place to address the risk of financial misappropriation and the charity's accounts cannot be overdrawn.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on 20th October 2025.



D Lodge

Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO
THE TRUSTEES OF THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Kingston United Reformed Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Michael Project UK (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.



Andrew Harker FCCA
Collards Chartered Accountants
5-9 Eden Street
Kingston-upon-Thames
Surrey, KT1 1BQ

Date: 20th October 2025

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Receipts			
<i>Voluntary receipts</i>			
Grants & gifts received		58,996	42,480
Total Receipts		<u>58,996</u>	<u>42,480</u>
Payments			
Direct Charitable Costs	2	51,825	40,692
		<u>51,825</u>	<u>40,692</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		7,171	1,788
Balances 1 January		22,102	20,314
Balances 31 December		<u>29,273</u>	<u>22,102</u>

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Bank & Cash Balances			
Held at Bank	4	29,273	22,102
		<u><u>29,273</u></u>	<u><u>22,102</u></u>
Funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u><u>29,723</u></u>	<u><u>22,102</u></u>

At the year end there were no other assets or liabilities.
The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 20th October 2025 and signed
on their behalf by:



D Lodge

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

1 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities.

2 Charitable Activities	General Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
a Direct Charitable Costs			
Grants Paid			
The Michael Project Zimbabwe	28,170	28,170	23,045
River of Life Church Zimbabwe	21,900	21,900	17,206
The Cross Over Project Zimbabwe	1,000	1,000	0
	<u>51,070</u>	<u>51,070</u>	<u>40,251</u>
b Support & Administration			
Bank Charges	395	395	409
Independent Examination Fee	300	300	0
Website costs	60	60	32
	<u>755</u>	<u>755</u>	<u>441</u>
Combined charitable activity cost	<u>51,825</u>	<u>51,825</u>	<u>40,692</u>

3 Staff & Trustees

The Trust had no employees during the year

No amounts were paid or are due to be paid to any trustee or to any person connected to them apart from reimbursed expenses.

4 Cash At Bank Balances	2024 £	2023 £
Barclays Community Account	18,652	21,233
Barclays Premium Account	10,000	0
PayPal Account	621	869
	<u>29,273</u>	<u>22,102</u>

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In considering the activities of the charity the trustees have had regard to the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Receipts for the year of £42,480 (2022: £51,094) being £8,614 less than 2022. Total expenses for the year were £40,692 (2022 : £71,521) of which £40,251 was paid in grants as set out in note 2 to the accounts.

At the end of the year, cash funds stood at £22,102 (2022 : £20,314), which the trustees intend to send to Zimbabwe during 2024.

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

RESERVES

With only limited UK operational expenditure, the trustees do not consider a formal reserves policy to be necessary. At the end of the year the charity had fund balances of £22,102 compared to £20,314 the previous year. The balance in the main account was regularly sent to Zimbabwe usually in tranches of around £5,000 - £20,000.

RISK STATEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks that the charity faces. These are predominantly financial (shortfall of funds and fraud). Controls are in place to address the risk of financial misappropriation and the charity's accounts cannot be overdrawn.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on 23 October 2024.



D Lodge

Trustee

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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Andrew Harker FCCA
Collards Chartered Accountants
5-9 Eden Street
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Surrey, KT1 1BQ

Date: 24 October 2024

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Receipts			
<i>Voluntary receipts</i>			
Grants & gifts received		42,480	51,094
Total Receipts		<u>42,480</u>	<u>51,094</u>
Payments			
Direct Charitable Costs	2	40,692	71,521
		<u>40,692</u>	<u>71,521</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		1,788	(20,427)
Balances 1 January		20,314	40,741
Balances 31 December		<u>22,102</u>	<u>20,314</u>

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Bank & Cash Balances			
Held at Bank	4	22,102	20,314
		<u><u>22,102</u></u>	<u><u>20,314</u></u>
Funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u><u>22,102</u></u>	<u><u>20,314</u></u>

At the year end there were no other assets or liabilities.
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The accounts were approved by the trustees on 23 October 2024 and signed
on their behalf by:



D Lodge

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

1 Accounting Policies

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2 Charitable Activities	General Funds £	2023 £	2022 £
a Direct Charitable Costs			
Grants Paid			
The Michael Project Zimbabwe	23,045	23,045	47,253
River of Life Church Zimbabwe	17,206	17,206	20,400
The Cross Over Project Zimbabwe	0	0	3,000
	<u>40,251</u>	<u>40,251</u>	<u>70,653</u>
b Support & Administration			
Bank Charges	409	409	820
Website costs	32	32	48
	<u>441</u>	<u>441</u>	<u>868</u>
Combined charitable activity cost	<u>40,692</u>	<u>40,692</u>	<u>71,521</u>

3 Staff & Trustees

The Trust had no employees during the year

No amounts were paid or are due to be paid to any trustee or to any person connected to them apart from reimbursed expenses.

4 Cash At Bank Balances	2023 £	2022 £
Barclays Community Account	21,233	17,373
PayPal Account	869	2,941
	<u>22,102</u>	<u>20,314</u>

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The trustees seek to ensure that the vast majority of general donations given are forwarded to Zimbabwe with minimum UK expenditure incurred. UK expenditure is restricted to governance and administration costs consisting primarily of bank charges and the costs of preparing and independently examining the annual accounts.

ORGANISATION

The trustees currently meet on an occasional basis to set policy, review activities and monitor the financial situation.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

To further its charitable objectives, the trustees sent £70,653 to Zimbabwe during the year. £20,400 was transferred to the River of Life Church for Shalom Children's Home, £47,253 was transferred to the Michael Project Zimbabwe with a further £3,000 being transferred to the Crossover Project. Two of the trustees visited Zimbabwe during the year which aided the oversight of the work for which grants were provided.

In considering the activities of the charity the trustees have had regard to the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Receipts for the year of £51,094 (2021: £48,871) being £2,223 more than 2021. Total expenses for the year were £71,521 (2021 : £53,663) of which £70,653 was paid in grants as set out in note 2 to the accounts.

At the end of the year, cash funds stood at £20,314 (2021 : £40,741), which the trustees intend to send to Zimbabwe during 2023.

RESERVES

With only limited UK operational expenditure, the trustees do not consider a formal reserves policy to be necessary. At the end of the year the charity had fund balances of £20,314 compared to £40,741 the previous year. The balance in the main account was regularly sent to Zimbabwe usually in tranches of around £5,000 - £20,000.

RISK STATEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks that the charity faces. These are predominantly financial (shortfall of funds and fraud). Controls are in place to address the risk of financial misappropriation and the charity's accounts cannot be overdrawn.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on 19 September 2023.



D Lodge

Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO
THE TRUSTEES OF THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Michael Project UK ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2022.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and 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.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understating of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Robert Williams

26 Lancet Lane, Maidstone, Kent

19 September 2023

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Receipts			
<i>Voluntary receipts</i>			
Grants & gifts received		51,094	48,871
Total Receipts		<u>51,094</u>	<u>48,871</u>
Payments			
Direct Charitable Costs	2	71,521	53,663
		<u>71,521</u>	<u>53,663</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		-20,427	-4,792
Balances 1 January		40,741	45,533
Balances 31 December		<u>20,314</u>	<u>40,741</u>

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**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Bank & Cash Balances			
Held at Bank	4	20,314	40,741
		20,314	40,741
 Other Assets & Liabilities			
<i>Assets</i>			
Grants due from Stewardship		-	-
		-	-
<i>Liabilities</i>			
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination		50	50
		50	50

The accounts were approved by the trustees on behalf by:

2023 and signed on their



D Lodge

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2 Charitable Activities	General Funds £	2022 £	2021 £
a Direct Charitable Costs			
Grants Paid			
The Michael Project Zimbabwe	47,253	47,253	23,000
River of Life Church Zimbabwe	20,400	20,400	28,150
The Cross Over Project Zimbabwe	3,000	3,000	2,000
	<u>70,653</u>	<u>70,653</u>	<u>53,150</u>
b Support & Administration			
Bank Charges	820	820	467
Independent Examination fee	-	-	-
Website costs	48	48	46
	<u>868</u>	<u>868</u>	<u>513</u>
Combined charitable activity cost	<u>71,521</u>	<u>71,521</u>	<u>53,663</u>

3 Staff & Trustees

The Trust had no employees during the year

No amounts were paid or are due to be paid to any trustee or to any person connected to them apart from reimbursed expenses.

4 Cash At Bank Balances

	2022 £	2021 £
Barclays Community Account	17,373	40,111
PayPal Account	2,941	630
	<u>20,314</u>	<u>40,741</u>

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REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

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In considering the activities of the charity the trustees have had regard to the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Receipts for the year of £48,871 (2019: £41,342) being £7,529 more than 2020. Total expenses for the year were £53,663 (2020 : £15,410) of which £53,150 was paid in grants as set out in note 2 to the accounts.

At the end of the year, cash funds stood at £40,741 (2020 : £45,533), which the trustees intend to send to Zimbabwe during 2022.

RESERVES

With only limited UK operational expenditure, the trustees do not consider a formal reserves policy to be necessary. At the end of the year the charity had fund balances of £40,741 compared to £45,533 the previous year. The balance in the main account was regularly sent to Zimbabwe usually in tranches of around £15,000 - £25,000.

RISK STATEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks that the charity faces. These are predominantly financial (shortfall of funds and fraud). Controls are in place to address the risk of financial misappropriation and the charity's accounts cannot be overdrawn.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on 31 October 2022



D Lodge

Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO
THE TRUSTEES OF THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Michael Project UK ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2021.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and 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.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the records.

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

Signed: 

Robert Williams

26 Lancet Lane, Maidstone, Kent

31st October 2022

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**


	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Receipts			
<i>Voluntary receipts</i>			
Grants & gifts received		48,871	41,342
Total Receipts		<u>48,871</u>	<u>41,342</u>
Payments			
Direct Charitable Costs	2	53,663	15,410
		<u>53,663</u>	<u>15,410</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		(4,792)	25,932
Balances 1 January		45,533	19,601
Balances 31 December		<u>40,741</u>	<u>45,533</u>

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Bank & Cash Balances			
Held at Bank	4	40,741	45,533
		40,741	45,533
 Other Assets & Liabilities			
<i>Assets</i>			
Grants due from Stewardship		-	-
		-	-
<i>Liabilities</i>			
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination		50	50
		50	50

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D Lodge

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THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities.

2 Charitable Activities	General Funds £	2021 £	2020 £
a Direct Charitable Costs			
Grants Paid			
The Michael Project Zimbabwe	23,000	23,000	-
River of Life Church Zimbabwe	28,150	28,150	15,004
The Crossover Project Zimbabwe	2,000	2,000	-
	<u>53,150</u>	<u>53,150</u>	<u>15,004</u>
b Support & Administration			
Bank Charges	467	467	396
Independent Examination fee	-	-	-
Website costs	46	46	10
	<u>513</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>406</u>
Combined charitable activity cost	<u>53,663</u>	<u>53,663</u>	<u>15,410</u>

3 Staff & Trustees

The Trust had no employees during the year

No amounts were paid or are due to be paid to any trustee or to any person connected to them apart from reimbursed expenses.

4 Cash At Bank Balances	2021 £	2020 £
Barclays Community Account	40,111	31,506
PayPal Account	630	14,027
	<u>40,741</u>	<u>45,533</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

Registered Charity	1156737
Contact Address	Miss J A Edwards 67 Glendower Crescent Orpington BR6 0UP
Governing Document	Declaration of Trust dated 03/06/2013
Trustees	Mr D R H Lodge Miss J A Edwards Mr R J Wilkinson
Bankers	Barclays Bank PLC Leicester LE87 2BB
Independent Examiner	Robert Williams 26 Lancet Lane Maidstone Kent

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**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020.

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The Michael Project UK is the UK organisation that supports The Michael Project Zimbabwe, (whose projects include Chikurubi, Wingate and Greystone Park pre-school centres), the River of Life Church, (whose projects include Shalom Children's Home), and The Crossover Project. These Zimbabwean organisations seek to provide education, accommodation and Christian teaching for children, many of whom are considered to be at risk. These organisations are also actively engaged in the relief of poverty for those children and their families.

Within the Objects of the Trust, the specific objectives of The Michael Project UK are to: promote the work of The Michael Project Zimbabwe, River of Life Church and The Crossover Project in Zimbabwe; raise funds in the UK in support of these organisations; make grants to these organisations as needed.

The trustees seek to ensure that the vast majority of general donations given are forwarded to Zimbabwe with minimum UK expenditure incurred. UK expenditure is restricted to governance and administration costs consisting primarily of bank charges and the costs of preparing and independently examining the annual accounts.

ORGANISATION

The trustees currently meet on an occasional basis to set policy, review activities and monitor the financial situation.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

To further its charitable objectives, the trustees sent £15,004 to Zimbabwe during the year. £15,004 was transferred to the River of Life Church for Shalom Children's Home. One of the trustees visited Zimbabwe during the year which aided the oversight of the work for which grants were provided.

In considering the activities of the charity the trustees have had regard to the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Receipts for the year of £41,342 (2019: £35,064) being £6,278 more than 2019. Total expenses for the year were £15,410 (2019 : £24,260) of which £15,004 was paid in grants as set out in note 2 to the accounts.

At the end of the year, cash funds stood at £45,533 (2019 : £19,601), which the trustees intend to send to Zimbabwe during 2021.

RESERVES

With only limited UK operational expenditure, the trustees do not consider a formal reserves policy to be necessary. At the end of the year the charity had fund balances of £45,533 compared to £19,601 the previous year. The balance in the main account was regularly sent to Zimbabwe usually in tranches of around £10,000 - £15,000.

RISK STATEMENT

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Signed: 

Robert Williams

26 Lancet Lane, Maidstone, Kent

28 October 2021

**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
Receipts			
<i>Voluntary receipts</i>			
Grants & gifts received		41,342	35,064
Total Receipts		<u>41,342</u>	<u>35,064</u>
Payments			
Direct Charitable Costs	2	15,410	24,260
		<u>15,410</u>	<u>24,260</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		25,932	10,804
Balances 1 January		19,601	8,797
Balances 31 December		<u>45,533</u>	<u>19,601</u>

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**THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020**

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
Bank & Cash Balances			
Held at Bank	4	45,533	19,601
		45,533	19,601
 Other Assets & Liabilities			
<i>Assets</i>			
Grants due from Stewardship		-	-
		-	-
<i>Liabilities</i>			
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination		50	50
		50	50

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THE MICHAEL PROJECT UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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2 Charitable Activities	General Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
a Direct Charitable Costs			
Grants Paid			
The Michael Project Zimbabwe	-	-	22,000
River of Life Church Zimbabwe	15,004	15,004	-
The Crossover Project Zimbabwe	-	-	2,000
	<u>15,004</u>	<u>15,004</u>	<u>24,000</u>
b Support & Administration			
Bank Charges	396	396	213
Independent Examination fee	-	-	48
Website costs	10	10	-
	<u>406</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>261</u>
Combined charitable activity cost	<u>15,410</u>	<u>15,410</u>	<u>24,260</u>

3 Staff & Trustees

The Trust had no employees during the year

No amounts were paid or are due to be paid to any trustee or to any person connected to them apart from reimbursed expenses.

4 Cash At Bank Balances	2020 £	2019 £
Barclays Community Account	31,506	18,059
PayPal Account	14,027	1,542
	<u>45,533</u>	<u>19,601</u>