



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date		To	Period end date		
	1st	October	2020	30th	September	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name PRINCE OF WALES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION UK & IRELAND

Other names charity is known by THE OLD PRINCEWALEANS ASSOCIATION

Registered charity number (if any) 1158526

Charity's principal address 10 ST. SWITHINS COTTAGES

HOWE GREEN

CHELMSFORD

Postcode CM2 7TN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	EUGENE BENJAMIN	PRESIDENT & CHAIR OF TRUSTEES		
2	NORMAN THOMPSON	VICE PRESIDENT & ASSIST. TREASURER		
3	RUTH AGU	GENERAL SECRETARY		
4	EDMOND BASCHO-GEORGE	ASST. GEN. SECRETARY		
5	DILYS BENJAMIN	TREASURER		
6	YVES THOMAS	ORGANISING SECRETARY		
7	NANCY BOLAJI	ORGANISING SECRETARY		
8	HAZELL SHOKELLU-THOMPSON	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY		
9	REMMIE AKIBO-BETTS	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY		
10	PATRICK DIXON	DIRECTOR OF FUNDRAISING		
11	DONALD ASGILL	PASTORAL OFFICER		
12	MOHAMED KAMARA	PASTORAL OFFICER		
13	DAVIDSON SAWYERR	E-COMMS OFFICER		
14	KHADIRU MAHDI	EX OFFICIO		
15	KAYODE ROBBIN-COKER	EX OFFICIO		
16	DUDLEY HANCILES	EX OFFICIO		
17	IAN LUKE-MACAULEY	EX OFFICIO		
18	WILFRED MACFOY	EX OFFICIO		
19	HASSANATU KOROMAH	TRUSTEE	1 Oct 2020 – 7 March 2021	

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITY INCORPORATED ORGANISATION (ASSOCIATION)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or re-appointed at the Annual General Meeting.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

<p>Our policies include Code of Conduct, Equal Opportunity and Diversity, Safeguarding and Volunteering. POWAA UK is volunteer led and do not employ staff but carries out suitable checks for trustees. All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits.</p> <p>POWAA UK is a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO).</p> <p>POWAA UK works in partnership with other alumni branches in Sierra Leone and the United States, and it is represented on the global Princewaleans umbrella committee which has a rotating chairmanship among the constituent branches/chapters.</p>

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

The CIO is established for charitable purposes only, to advance the education of the pupils of the Prince of Wales School, Sierra Leone, but not exclusively, by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for education at the school.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The principal activities of POWAA UK are the provision of educational support to the pupils and staff of the Prince of Wales School; working collaboratively as a member of the global partnership of Prince of Wales Alumni associations to improve educational outcomes of the pupils of the school; leading the development of SLEDEF to improve the educational provision for the people of Sierra Leone.

The trustees and executive committee take account of the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on the public benefit when planning the activities of POWAA UK.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

TRUSTEES'S REPORT: 2020 – 2021

Princewaleans all, I trust you are all keeping safe and in good spirits. This would be my expectation at least because the reality of 'lockdown' which we had to deal with in the past 18 months is hopefully behind us. The pandemic including the restrictions of lockdown during the past year impacted our capability to host our annual events. My fervent hope is that there will be better days ahead and we will be on the path to normality sooner rather than later.

At POWAA-UK, life remains as interesting as ever, as we find innovative ways of carrying on with our objectives. I am delighted to say that an increasing number of Princewaleans have decided to join our ranks and contribute towards the improvement of our school. Also, there has never been more coordination between the alumni chapters, the Board of Governors, and the Government of Sierra Leone (GOSL) which is a commendable achievement and a testament to the recommendations tabled at the Away Day event held in February 2020.

What will we remember the past year for?

We exercised courage to organise most of our events from our living rooms and I must say this act of courage lifted the veil of scepticism around ways that we could raise much needed funds for projects at the school. It is worth noting that our virtual Skool Daze event achieved a healthy surplus for the association. For another year running, our paid membership was maintained at 100+ members with a 13% increase compared to the previous year. I must add that we now have paid members residing in Australia, Canada, Germany, Nigeria and Switzerland. The first ever virtual global thanksgiving service was held bringing together Princewaleans, both Christians and Muslims, supporters, and sponsors.

Membership

POWAA UK had 122 paid-up members in September 2021. This demonstrates that an increasing number of Princewaleans are committed to leave a legacy for their school. A big thank you to all who helped in the recruitment process. The POWAA UK database of current and potential members holds 175 individual contacts which shows that there is scope for even further growth. At this rate, we should be in good shape in 2025 for the 100th year anniversary celebrations. We adhere strictly to UK GDPR procedures to keep our records secure and are constantly updating them. Please let us know promptly at princewaleans@gmail.com if your contact details have changed.

The Birthday Card initiative which started in January 2019 with only 30 members is now in its third year with 100 participating members who have provided their postal contacts. If you would like to participate, kindly get in touch with the Membership Team at princewaleans@gmail.com.

The POWAA UK Members WhatsApp Forum established in August 2020 continues to foster communication with members in addition to email. POWAA UK continues to stock and sell Prince of Wales memorabilia and uniforms including Blazers, House Colours, Ties, Bowties etc at competitive prices to members. For more information, please contact us at princewaleans@gmail.com or through any Trustee.

Finally, many thanks to all POWAA UK members for their steadfast support in another year characterised by the unprecedented challenge of the Covid-19

pandemic. Our sincere commiserations to all who have been adversely affected.

Pastoral Team

Though out the year the Pastoral Team carried out their duties diligently amidst the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

The pastoral visits were modified by the two elected pastoral officers (Muslim and Christian) with a view to practicing religious tolerance. This is a positive development as is evident from feedback received. Consequently, our membership supports this novel method of communication and interaction as we come to terms with living in a post-Covid-19 era. This coordination between our Pastoral Officers demonstrates our commitment to diversity which helps build stronger relationships between our individual faiths.

Our Muslim Pastoral Officer, Dr Mohamed Kamara, gives credit and gratitude to two revered doctors, Abubakar Mason and Othman M Z Mahdi for making it their duty to recharge faith in The Almighty by furnishing our Muslim brothers and sisters with doses of mini lectures on Fridays and Sundays, respectively, for a period of 18 months since the pandemic was declared. They have done a sterling job, served us assiduously and should be proud not only as princes but ardent servants of Allah, Ameen.

Our Christian Pastoral Officer, Mr Donald Asgill, was instrumental in arranging visits and making contacts with members in need and those who could not attend our regular meetings. This act of kindness is priceless; this was evident on the smiling faces captured in photos at these meetings. I must also recognise the input into active pastoral support by our own Revd Dudley Hanciles and Revd Ian Luke-Macauley. We are truly grateful for the work of our Pastoral Officers and their support team.

Finance and fundraising

Our financial report for the 2020/21 will be available to members following audit certification. This report discloses the receipts collected and expenditures including amounts remitted to Freetown to support learning at the school. I am pleased to report that our finances are healthy to maintain this support to the school. Our Director of Fundraising, Mr Patrick Dixon, is working to achieve POWAA-UK's target contribution towards a global funding pot of \$30,000 set for the 2021 calendar year. Receipts collected from our events during the past year indicate that we are on track to achieve this target contribution.

People

My term as President over the past two years would not have been possible without the full support of the Trustees. I wish to thank each of you for your dedication and commitment for a service which is voluntary.

The efforts of our Organising Secretaries, Mrs Nancy Bolaji and Mr Yves Thomas, must be commended for the courage of organising successful events.

I wish to thank also our retiring Trustees: General Secretary Mrs Ruth Agu, Mr khadiru Mahdi and one of our Membership Secretaries, Dr Hazell Shokellu-Thompson for their unwavering commitment and dedication to the association and its members over the years. We are truly grateful for their outstanding service.

During the year, we received support from several members who contributed to the work of specific committees. I wish to thank you for your time and

contribution to the work of those committees.

I must recognise the expertise of our Retuning Officer at this year's AGM and last year, Dr Kayode Robbin-Coker for establishing the voting arrangements in accordance with our Bye laws and Constitution.

Thank you also to my able Vice-President, Mr Norman Thompson for his support during my tenure.

Thank you to our Freetown Representatives, Dr Lucien Turay and Dr Alex Blanshard for giving up their time to ensure that our community in Sierra Leone is kept updated with the association's work. And – finally – thank you to our talented and hard-working team of Trustees for keeping the cogs of the association turning and delivering on the expectations of our members.

It is great to serve! I have enjoyed the opportunity to do so over the past 24 months. Though I am stepping down as President of POWAA-UK, I will continue to devote my time to the association in another capacity. I am confident that the association is in good hands, in good shape and fit to continue to serve its members in the years ahead.

Eugene Benjamin

President, POWAA UK & Ireland

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Most of our income is applied to the award of scholarships and other assistance to the Prince of Wales School such as the maintenance of buildings and facilities, support for staff and school administrators to improve conditions of service, professional development, and teaching equipment.

We assign designated funds for specific projects and retain enough revenue for our fundraising events and sustainability.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) *Eugene Benjamin*

Full name(s) EUGENE BENJAMIN

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Chair

Date 30 / 11 / 2021



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
PRINCE OF WALES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION UK & IRELAND

On accounts for the year
ended

30th September 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1158526

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30 / 09 / 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *FRobinson*

Date: 28/03/2022

Name: Florina Robinson

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

Chartered Institute of Management Accountant

Address:

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Nothing to disclose.

The Trustees
Prince of Wales Alumni Association UK & Ireland
10 ST. Swithins Cottages
Howe Green
CM2 7TN

Dear Sirs/Madam

Re: Independent Examination of Accounts

Thank you for appointing me to review the annual accounts as an independent examiner for your organisation for the financial year ending 30th September 2021. The examination isn't required by the Charity Commission as the gross income earned for the financial year is below the recommended threshold of gross annual income greater than £25,000. I however undertook the examination as per the assignment and agree with the organisation's position to carry out this task as it is best practice for providing assurance to the Trustees.

The review undertaken included

- Meeting with the Ex-Treasurer, Ex-President and incoming Treasurer of the organisation.
- Checking for completeness of the net receipts reported for the period against the bank statements of the UK bank accounts held and the PayPal account.
- Conducting spot checks on high value items such as subscription, events income and merchandise transactions to test the robustness of record keeping and tracing of transactions to third party documents

Findings

- There were immaterial differences between records maintained for subscription and benevolence due lack of clarity from subscribers on whether amounts higher than annual subscription should be classed as subscription or benevolence. There were also instances of timing differences for some of the subscription.
- Where payments from the organisation's funds were tested, there was sufficient evidence supporting the transactions.

Areas of risk

- Ticket sales – there is a low-level risk in this area as there is a process in place to compare tally of attendees on the day of the event to sale of tickets declared by member of the organisation. The test being higher value of attendees' tickets than value of tickets declared as sold by members.



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I conclude that there is assurance that the net receipt reported in the reporting period corresponds with the overall closing bank balances and transactions tested were confirmed against supporting evidence provided.

If you need further information do contact me via my contact details above.

Yours faithfully

FRobinson

Florina Robinson



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Prince of Wales Alumni Association UK & Ireland		
Receipts and payments accounts		
For the period from	Period start date 10/1/2020	To Period end date 9/30/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
FUNDRAISING EVENTS & GRANTS				
Annual Dinner & Dance	-	-	-	-
Thanksgiving (virtual event in current year)	3,735	-	-	3,735
Summerfest Fun Day	3,673	-	-	3,673
Summerfest Golf	-	-	-	-
Skool Daze (virtual event in current year)	5,584	-	-	5,584
Foundation Day Reunion	-	-	-	-
Grant Award - Helio Lodge	-	-	-	-
Donation - Mrs Connel	-	-	-	-
Izettle tickets sales	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid Returns	-	-	-	-
MEMBERSHIP, BENEVOLENCE & DONATIONS				
Members' subscriptions	5,554	-	-	5,554
Benevolent Box & Fund	687	-	-	687
Donations towards projects at the school	-	1,582	-	1,582
Donation from ASLEF	-	549	-	549
Covid-19 donations for Kings Sierra Leone Partnership	-	-	-	-
Donation by Mr Bright	-	-	-	-
Donations - Medical care for Mr Bundor, Principal	-	-	-	-
Members' donations towards POW School Alumni Foundation	-	748	-	748
DIRECT SUPPORT TO THE SCHOOL				
POW School staff stipends & Christmas bonus	-	-	-	-
Members scholarship donations	-	100	-	100
Members donations to Vandi Saati's university fees	-	-	-	-
Vandi Saati's University fees etc. support	-	-	-	-
MERCHANDISE				
Merchandise, Inc. Lapel pins	1,204	-	-	1,204
Mr FGO Bright's Donation	-	-	-	-
Bank Interest	-	-	-	-
Other schools' functions	-	-	-	-
Stock Sale	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	910	-	-	910
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	21,346	2,978	-	24,324
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	21,346	2,978	-	24,324

A3 Payments

FUNDRAISING EVENTS				
Annual Dinner & Dance	-	-	-	-
Thanksgiving (virtual event in current year)	456	-	-	456
Summerfest Fun Day	3,054	-	-	3,054
Summerfest Golf	-	-	-	-
Skool Daze (virtual event in current year)	61	-	-	61
Foundation Day Reunion	-	-	-	-
MEMBERSHIP, BENEVOLENCE & DONATIONS				
Benevolence	400	-	-	400
Donation towards POW School Alumni Foundation	1,510	748	-	2,258
DIRECT SUPPORT TO THE SCHOOL				
POW School staff stipends & Christmas bonus	-	-	-	-
School - IT & Buildings: Assembly Hall, security	-	-	-	-
STEM & Agricultural Science Curriculum Project	3,941	-	-	3,941
Association's Scholarships	-	100	-	100
Covid-19 donation to Kings Sierra Leone Partnership	-	-	-	-
Financial support to university students Vandy Saati's fees	-	-	-	-
Donation towards Mr Bundor's medical care	-	-	-	-
MERCHANDISE				
Merchandise - inc. lapel pins & school colours	2,460	-	-	2,460
FGO Bright donation- Blazers & ties	-	-	-	-
GOVERNANCE & ADMIN.				
Internet fees- website, Paypal	954	-	-	954
Auditors fees	150	-	-	150
Meeting room hire	-	-	-	-
AGM Refreshments	-	-	-	-
Events Insurance	403	-	-	403
Izettle	-	-	-	-

Pop up banners x 2	-	-	-	-
Admin. & other refreshments	-	-	-	-
Association's donation to other Alumni Assoc's Thanksgiving.	-	-	-	-
Support to other organisations	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	270	-	-	270
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	13,660	848	-	14,508

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-

Total payments	13,660	848	-	14,508
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	Net of receipts/(payments)	7,686	2,130	-	9,816
A5 Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end		57,374	9,998	-	67,372
	Cash funds this year end	65,060	12,128	-	77,188

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Natwest Bank A/C	48,451	12,128
	Lloyd's Bank A/c	14,732	-
	PayPal funds	1,876	
	Cash in hand	-	-
	Total cash funds	65,060	12,128
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
	Refundable Deposit (Skool Daze 2019)- Imperial Banqueting Hall	500	-
		-	-
	TOTAL:	500	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
			-
			-
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			-
			-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-

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

Signature	Print Name
Eugene Benjamin	EUGENE BENJAMIN

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Last year

to the nearest £

-
-
272
-
10,907
50
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-
1,860
-
4,288
1,752
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1,790
100
190
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300
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1,463
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880
175
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1,122
25,149

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2,263
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71,747	
67,579	



**Endowment
funds**

to nearest £

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**Endowment
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11/30/2021

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