

Charity Registration No. 1160089

THE MUDHOUSE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

THE MUDHOUSE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Patrons	Sir Alan Grose Lady Grose Sylvia Goodall
Trustees	Mr R Jarman (Chairman) Mrs H Culverwell Mr J Culverwell Mrs T Fleming Mrs A Ryan Mr M Culverwell Mrs J Earney Mrs G Mckeown
Charity number	1160089
Principal address	The Drift Hall Lane Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3EA
Independent examiner	Knill James LLP One Bell Lane Lewes East Sussex BN7 1JU

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Mud House Children's Foundation is a UK registered charity established to support and develop opportunities for children, especially from the Maasai communities of the Loliondo area of Ngorongoro District, to access education and improve their life choices. In recognition of the need and desire to create sustainable solutions our charity works closely with relevant Tanzanian government officers, the Chiefs of Maasai villages, Headteachers of schools and wider members of the relevant communities.

Objectives and activities

In accordance with our Constitution our stated objectives and activities are as follows;

- To raise educational standards in the schools in the Ngorongoro District of Tanzania and to improve access for children.
- To create a self-improving, self-sustaining system by developing community cohesion.

Activities: This will be achieved by;

- Maintaining a school sponsored child programme
- Providing teacher training, researching and evaluating its impact
- Supporting the government to provide appropriate boarding for Maasai school children
- Establishing a community educational resource base (Internet hub/library)
- Support to maintain educational buildings
- Providing vital school resources, materials and equipment
- Developing exchanges with local and international volunteer students

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

Notwithstanding the challenges presented this last two years by the pandemic, we are still able to report and highlight the completion and ongoing development of a number of successful projects.

Sponsored Children Education Programme

Many Maasai children live in semi-permanent remote villages (called bomas) across the Ngorongoro region. Each day, the children often face lengthy journeys, on foot, to just reach a school. Many such journeys are of 1-2 hours duration. At the request of Maasai Chiefs and their communities our sponsored children programme was introduced to enable those children living in poverty to access boarding accommodation at the school(s). With the generous donations of UK residents, we are currently sponsoring 76 children to attend school. These are primarily located in the Wasso, Loliondo area of Ngorongoro. To ensure fairness the sponsored children are selected by strict criteria and negotiation with individual Maasai bomas. A Tanzanian volunteer co-ordinates this process as well as the ongoing needs and welfare of each child in liaison with the parents of guardian. In the future we hope to attract further sponsorship opportunities to fund even more children.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Accommodation

The Maasai parents and guardians of the sponsored children provide a hostel for the majority of our young children. Our charity supports this venture via utilities and building maintenance costs. To meet safety regulations, our charity has purchased fire extinguishers and smoke alarms which have been installed in the hostel. These are regularly checked and serviced. A repeat of the safeguarding/child protection training has been organised for the parents, guardians and volunteers which took place in 2020. Over the years we have grown concerned about the living environment of the Maasai children. The mud houses have open wood fires and little ventilation. This causes health problems from smoke inhalation and children occasionally suffering horrendous burn injuries. In consequence, our charity has trialled a brick oven with chimney in a Maasai mud house. The results were promising and following extensive research we have identified more efficient and effective options. A UK grant bids has been successful and in 2021, 80 cookers and chimneys were installed in 22 Maasai villages in Loliondo and the surrounding.

Food Programme

Last year we reported that owing to a dramatic shortage of crops and subsequent inability to feed the sponsored children that an emergency food programme was rapidly introduced. In addition, an alternative irrigation and farming project was subsequently scoped with a view to providing a more sustainable solution. This led to maize and beans being farmed and the first crop harvested providing vital food for the children. We are pleased to report that this year it has not been necessary to implement a food shortage response. The children at the hostel receive a healthy diet of fruit, vegetables and eggs due to the ability to grow crops and keep chickens with the constant supply of clean water from the Borehole and an installed irrigation system.

Fundraising

This year the Covid-19 pandemic frustrated several fundraising events, especially our annual weekend festival. Notwithstanding these disappointments the charity has been successful raising funds via several UK Grant bids and the support of local Rotary clubs.

The Mud House Club

The Mud House Club was launched last year and has a healthy growing membership. It now plays a vital role, enabling us to communicate our important work to a wider audience which is also attracting new volunteers.

Financial review

Our existing projects have sufficient specific fundraising support. However, it is hoped that the development of our new project "Looking Beyond" which hopes to support children through further education and university will attract fresh sponsors and enable us to continue to improve the life chances of Maasai children.

Risk

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Reserves

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has not been maintained throughout the year due to unforeseen repairs and maintenance on the Bore Hole and Water Project, but the intention is to replenish the reserves over the coming year.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Structure, governance and management

Our charity formally commenced operations in January 2015 under the title of Ngorongoro Education Project Trust. In July 2020, with the approval of the UK Charity Commission and all our Trustees the charity changed its title to the Mud House Children's Foundation. It is now formally registered under this name.

The Trustees appointed have been drawn from acquaintances of the charity originators providing a useful blend of senior level experience from the public, private and voluntary sectors. All Trustees have been nominated and appointed at formal charity Board meetings.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr R Jarman (Chairman)

Mrs H Culverwell

Mr J Culverwell

Mrs T Fleming

Mrs A Ryan

Mr M Culverwell

Mrs J Earney

Mrs G Mckeown

Patrons; Sir Alan and Lady Grosse. Mrs Sylvia Goodall

To date, our charity has continued to primarily operate with the assistance of volunteers. We continue to support a range of relevant projects overseen by the Trustees, whilst delivered and managed by Mrs Nichola Jarman our volunteer Project Director.

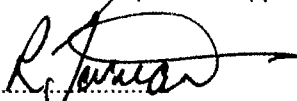
Understandably, the Covid-19 pandemic has frustrated our travel plans this past year. In March 2020, a group of volunteers and a Trustee had to return prematurely from Tanzania in order to avoid being stranded. Due to Covid-19 no visits to Tanzania took place in 2021. Communications remained open between the team in Wasso and Loliondo and Nicky Jarman and therefore projects continued successfully.

Our Partners

Without the support of key trusted, capable and committed people in Tanzania our efforts would all be in vain. We should recognise the contributions of The Loliondo District Commissioner, Government Education Officers, Headteachers and staff of schools, Chiefs of the Maasai bomas and numerous other community members, especially the Issujah family and countless others who have welcomed us into their lives and assisted us to help Tanzanian children.

There are no further related parties apart from those noted above.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Mr R Jarman (Chairman)

Trustee

Dated: 28.9.2022

THE MUDHOUSE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MUDHOUSE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Mudhouse Children's Foundation (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

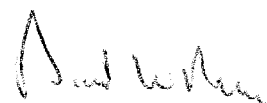
Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 28 September 2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	17,364	70,338	87,702	64,619
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds	3	-	-	-	130
Charitable activities	4	22,596	58,105	80,701	61,712
Total resources expended		22,596	58,105	80,701	61,842
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before transfers		(5,232)	12,233	7,001	2,777
Gross transfers between funds		(2,435)	2,435	-	-
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds		(7,667)	14,668	7,001	2,777
Fund balances at 1 January 2021		7,559	11,788	19,347	16,570
Fund balances at 31 December 2021		(108)	26,456	26,348	19,347

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

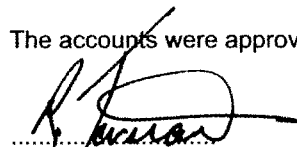
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		27,387		20,289	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(1,039)</u>		<u>(942)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>26,348</u>		<u>19,347</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds	9		26,456		11,788
Unrestricted funds			<u>(108)</u>		<u>7,559</u>
			<u>26,348</u>		<u>19,347</u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 28.9.2022



Mr R. Darman (Chairman)
Trustee

THE MUDHOUSE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Mudhouse Children's Foundation is a charitable incorporated organisation registered 22 January 2015. The registered charity number is 1160089. The registered office is The Drift, Hall Lane, Upper Farringdon, Alton, Hampshire, GU34 3EA.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

The trustees have assessed whether the going concern basis of preparation continues to be appropriate, based on whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the company to continue as a going concern. This assessment has been required in the light of the significant uncertainty around the short to medium impact of the Covid-19 virus.

At the time of approving the financial statements the trustees believe that all appropriate measures have been or will be taken to ensure that the company will be able to continue its operations for at least the next 12 months and thus conclude that the going concern basis remains appropriate.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses, including support costs and governance costs, are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings in the statement of financial activities.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £	2020 £
Donations and gifts	17,364	70,338	87,702	26,794	28,575	55,369
Grants	-	-	-	6,500	2,750	9,250
	<u>17,364</u>	<u>70,338</u>	<u>87,702</u>	<u>33,294</u>	<u>31,325</u>	<u>64,619</u>

3 Raising funds

	2021 £	2020 £
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>		
Other fundraising costs	-	130
	<u>-</u>	<u>130</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	-	
	<u>-</u>	

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4 Charitable activities

	Overseas projects costs 2021 £	Overseas projects costs 2020 £
Charitable expenditure	77,670	58,991
Share of support costs (see note 5)	1,993	1,779
Share of governance costs (see note 5)	1,038	942
	<u>80,701</u>	<u>61,712</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	22,596	27,504
Restricted funds	58,105	34,208
	<u>80,701</u>	<u>61,712</u>
For the year ended 31 December 2020		
Unrestricted funds	27,504	
Restricted funds	34,208	
	<u>61,712</u>	

5 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2021 £	2020 £
Post and stationery	294	-	294	317
Computer costs	378	-	378	252
Administrative costs	265	-	265	739
Bank charges	440	-	440	471
Support costs heading 6	616	-	616	-
Independent examiners fee	-	1,038	1,038	942
	<u>1,993</u>	<u>1,038</u>	<u>3,031</u>	<u>2,721</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>1,993</u>	<u>1,038</u>	<u>3,031</u>	<u>2,721</u>

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6 Trustees

Under the provisions of the governing document of the Charity, a gift valued at £39 was given to Trustee Janet Earney in recognition of her 70th birthday and years of service to the charity (2020 - none).

7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021	2020
	Number	Number
Total	-	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,039	942
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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9 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2020	Movement in funds			Balance at 31 December 2020	Movement in funds			Balance at 31 December 2021
	£	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	£	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	£
Contain A School project	4,472	-	-	(4,472)	-	-	-	-	-
Food programme	897	-	-	-	897	-	-	-	897
Sponsor A Child	13,774	30,325	(34,208)	-	9,891	36,838	(29,052)	-	17,677
Bore hole and water project	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,435)	2,435	-
Chimney Project	-	1,000	-	-	1,000	33,500	(26,618)	-	7,882
	19,143	31,325	(34,208)	(4,472)	11,788	70,338	(58,105)	2,435	26,456

Contain A School Project

This project is to provide accommodation and facilities for school children in Ngorongoro.

Food Programme

The aim of this project is to provide sustainable food sources for the children resident in the area.

Sponsor A Child

This project is to provide sponsorship for the provision of children's education.

Bore Hole and Water Project

The Bore hole and well projects are to provide fresh water all year round for the sponsored children and the wider Maasai community.

Chimney Project

This project is to provide installation of chimneys and cookers to the mud houses.

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9	Restricted funds	(Continued)
	The transfer to the restricted fund for the Bore Hole and Water Project represents income required for unforeseen repairs and maintenance.	

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10 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Fund balances at 31 December 2021 are represented by:						
Current assets/(liabilities)	(108)	26,456	26,348	7,559	11,788	19,347
	<u>(108)</u>	<u>26,456</u>	<u>26,348</u>	<u>7,559</u>	<u>11,788</u>	<u>19,347</u>

11 Related party transactions

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.

Nicky Jarman (wife of a trustee) was paid £6,566 for project coordinating services, provided during the year (2020: £6,496)