

Project Gambia Trust Ridgewood

Registered Charity no 1160143

Annual Report to 31st May 2025

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1. **Charitable objects**

In summary our charitable objects are:

- ✓ Promote and support the advancement of education in The Gambia
- ✓ Advance the education of the UK public in issues facing those in The Gambia
- ✓ Prevent and relieve poverty in The Gambia

2. **Activities**

This year we have taken 3 school trips out to The Gambia, in addition to which ongoing projects included:

- Schools feeding programme
- Let's see red (period poverty)
- Project Gambia shop
- Container full of donated goods sent out
- Work in various schools including sponsored children, building new classrooms and refurbishment of classrooms
- Training of teachers in phonics, numeracy, assessment and reporting
- Setting up a Junior Leadership Programme
- Support for new businesses
- Establishment of a new school

Further details on all of the above can be found on our website at www.projectgambia.org.uk

3. **Governance**

Project Gambia Trust Ridgewood is a registered charity in the UK (reg no 1160143), the address is 25 Clark Street, Stourbridge DY8 3UF, and email address is projectgambia1@gmail.com

Throughout the year the trustees were:

- C V Bridgewater
- S Davis
- J Hill (Treasurer)

- B Hodt (Executive Officer)
- J Hodt (Chair)
- A Smith

Georgia Wilkinson was appointed as a trustee on 1st August 2024.

During the year the trustees met twice, including an AGM on 4th January 2025. The trust did not employ anybody and no trustees were remunerated for their work with Project Gambia.

4. Annual accounts

The annual accounts are set out below.

5. Independent examiner's report

The independent examiner's report is set out below.

The trustees would like to thank David Benton AAT, for his support and assistance in producing this report.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Project Gambia Trust Ridgewood

On accounts for the year
ended

31 May 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1160143

Set out on pages

3 and 4

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 05 / 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").

Independent
examiner's statement

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.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

David Benton

Date:

07/01/2026

Name:

David Benton

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

AAT

Address:

8 Perrins Rise, Perrins Lane

Stourbridge, West Midlands

DY9 8XP

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

01-Jun-24

To

31-May-25

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 £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Organised trips	148,215	-	-	148,215	-
General Donations	5,239	-	-	5,239	-
Period Poverty	185	-	-	185	-
Food Programme	2,302	-	-	2,302	-
Promotions	2,550	-	-	2,550	-
Sponsored Children	5,362	-	-	5,362	-
Container	1,702	-	-	1,702	-
Kings Hawford	4,000	-	-	4,000	-
Other	5,123	-	-	5,123	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	174,677	-	-	174,677	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	174,677	-	-	174,677	-
A3 Payments					
Organised trips	120,518	-	-	120,518	-
General Donations	3,921	-	-	3,921	-
Period Poverty	-	-	-	-	-
Food Programme	3,810	-	-	3,810	-
Promotions	6,792	-	-	6,792	-
Sponsored Children	3,055	-	-	3,055	-
Container	3,617	-	-	3,617	-
Kings Hawford	-	-	-	-	-
Other	10,560	-	-	10,560	-
Sub total	152,274	-	-	152,274	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	152,274	-	-	152,274	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	22,403	-	-	22,403	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	74,476	-	-	74,476	-
Cash funds this year end	96,880	-	-	96,880	-

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	96,880	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	96,880	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Signature

John

Print Name

JOHN HODT

Date of approval

16/1/26