

Trustees Annual Report for The Peace Centre Uganda

Reporting period: November 2020 to October 2021

Background

- The name of the charity is The Peace Centre Uganda (TPC). It was registered on 23rd February 2015, charity number 1160583.
- Address of principal office – 2 Beacon Walk, Tenterden, TN30 6SF
- Trustees for this reporting period:
Anthony Reich – Chairperson Kathryn Barnard – Child wellbeing
David Martin – Treasurer Jenny Stevens – Secretary
Andy Clapperton – Public relations and marketing
- Trustee meetings are held by Zoom every 4 to 6 weeks. The monthly report relating to the progress of the children and any issues relating to the operation of the orphanage in Uganda are discussed. The treasurer provides a financial statement with an update of accounts. Actions are classified as short/medium/long term, and are reported on.
- TPC Uganda is a CIO, and also an NGO in Uganda. The constitution was last amended on 1st December 2014. The appointment of new Trustees is carried out by the existing Trustees.
- Charity's Mission Statement: Love, care and a home for Ugandan orphans.
- Objects of The Peace Centre:
 1. To promote the benefit of orphaned and vulnerable children and young people living at The Peace Centre in Bukinda, South West Uganda by:
 - a. The advancement of education and training;
 - b. The relief of poverty, sickness and training;
 - c. The promotion of good health.
 2. To advance in life and help young people through providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals.
- There should be at least one visit to The Peace Centre in Uganda each year by a Trustee, but this will depend upon prevailing conditions.

Operational Developments during 2020-21

- The Peace Centre continues to fully support 36 children (of which 4 are in further education), and a further 30 on a school only basis during this period.
- We have continued to employ all staff during this period, with their efforts being channelled into the community when the children have been absent.
- The operation of The Peace Centre during this period has been hugely disrupted by the Covid-19 epidemic. At various points the orphanage and schools have been completely closed. Whilst the capacity of the buildings is 40 children, the occupancy has varied from 36 to zero.
- During the periods when children have been moved out to carers within the community, TPC staff have continuously visited them to monitor their well-being, behaviour and academic workbooks.
- Care packages including food and soap/disinfectant were delivered to children's homes during these visits.

- During the ongoing lockdown, children have been developing their handicraft skills such as knitting sweaters and scarfs and making wicker baskets.
- Staff have encouraged the children to engage in agriculture and rearing domestic animals within their community during these lockdowns.
- All staff have been immunised against Covid-19, and it is hoped that schools will reopen in January 2022.
- Special fundraising events were held to raise additional funds to provide food for vulnerable people in the Bukinda communities. TPC staff and older children handled the food distribution logistics. The local community are very grateful as it is the only source of such help, and hunger is their greatest problem at present. Approximately 50,000 meals were provided by this initiative.
- TPC has been approved by the Uganda Ministry of Gender Labour and Social Development to operate as an official childrens home. It is the only such home in the area, and this national recognition gives TPC opportunities to operate in other sub-counties in the Rukiga district in future. It also increases the legal protection of all the children in the home in the eyes of Ugandan law.
- A one-day youth workshop was held with career guidance and motivational talks by guest speakers. These involved all resident children, school-only sponsored children and some schoolchildren from the community. This initiative was arranged because TPC staff felt that students had spent a long time without any formal guidance.
- In partnership with an organisation called Days for Girls, training has taken place for all the girls at TPC on how to make their own sanitary products. 150 girls, both from TPC and in the community attended. This initiative provides improved sanitary hygiene and reduces school absence for girls in TPC and in the wider Bukinda community.
- The existing water supply from a well on the site as been improved by the addition of a water purification plant. There is now a supply of drinking water on tap at all times.
- A baking oven has been installed to allow all children to gain experience in cooking and breadmaking.
- It has been necessary to resurface the drive within TPC. The surface of the drive had deteriorated to the extent that it was dangerous and causing flooding in the wet season.



Charity Name The Peace Centre Uganda	No (if any) 1160583
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Nov-20	To	Period end date 31-Oct-21
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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					
Donations & fundraising	32,711	-	-	32,711	-
Child sponsorship	21,740	-	-	21,740	-
Gift Aid	1,748	-	-	1,748	-
Interest on deposit account	5	-	-	5	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	56,204	-	-	56,204	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	56,204	-	-	56,204	-
A3 Payments					
Funds to The Peace Centre Uganda	47,650	-	-	47,650	-
Funds transfer charges	180	-	-	180	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	47,830	-	-	47,830	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Car for the Peace Centre Uganda	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	47,830	-	-	47,830	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,374	-	-	8,374	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	98,055	-	-	98,055	-
Cash funds this year end	106,429	-	-	106,429	-

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	UK banks	106,429	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	106,429	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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	Print Name	Date of approval
D J Martin Treasurer	D J MARTIN	30/04/21



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
The Peace Centre Uganda

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 October 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1160583

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Responsibilities and basis of
report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/10/21**

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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 Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed: G Pennington

Date: 30 April 2022

Name: GEOFFREY PENNINGTON

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

Retired Chartered Management Accountant. Past member of CIMA.

Address:

135, Fairfield Road, Stockton Heath, Warrington, WA4 2BS

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 details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.