

MBEDZA PROJECTS SUPPORT

England & Wales · Charity number 1162581

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2015-07-08

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CHARITY IS THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN MALAWI, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:. PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS SUFFERING FROM HARDSHIP.. PROVIDING RESOURCES TO SUPPORT HIV EDUCATION, TESTING AND COUNSELLING.. PROVIDING INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS WITH EQUIPMENT, TRAINING AND OTHER RESOURCES IN ORDER TO LIVE MORE SUSTAINABLY.. PROVIDE RESOURCES SUCH AS STOVES, MOSQUITO NETS AND BOREHOLES IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF MALAWIANS.

Activities: Mbedza Projects Support exists to prevent and relieve poverty in Malawi, in particular but not exclusively by: Providing resources to support HIV education, testing and counselling.Creating sustainable environments through tree planting and other projects.Providing more equitable access to education.Improving livelihoods through stove building.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Human Resources, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Malawi

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£162,966	£169,986	-	-
2024-04-05	£169,172	£162,586	-	-
2023-04-05	£104,404	£108,243	-	-
2022-04-05	£97,202	£92,925	-	-
2021-04-05	£82,472	£78,503	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Catherine Greenaway		2019-03-02
Denise Ann Ellis		2023-12-12
Jessie Akambadi		2025-11-08
MICHAEL DAVID COOK		2019-02-02
Nicola Lesley Davies		2017-03-07
Simon Barber		2023-02-01

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 6 April 2024 To: 5 April 2025

Charity name: Mbedza Projects Support

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1. Objectives and Activities

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		- Continued support of the Heart of Mercy project working with families of children with special needs. - Continued support and monitoring of a maize mill. - Continuation of a small-scale textiles/sewing project producing sanitary kits and items for sale in the UK and Belgium. - Improved financial monitoring in Malawi with the employment of a finance manager. - Media and communications support in the UK and Malawi. - Preparation for visit of 12 adults in April 2025. - Preparation for visit of two UK gap students in June 2025. - Preparation for visit of 30 students from Manor Academy York in October 2025.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The activities outlined contribute to achieving the purposes of the charity as summarised above. In making decisions about the activities the trustees declare that that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit provided by the Charity Commission. It is understood that since the aims for the charity are to prevent or relieve poverty, the public benefit requirement is met by satisfying the 'benefit' aspect only without need to separately consider the 'public' aspect.

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		The Deputy Director received £300/month in recognition of the work involved in managing the finances of the charity. The Associate Director for Orphan Education and Visits received £180/mnth (April 2024 to Aug 2024) and £400/mnth (Sept 2024 to March 2025). Volunteers often organise and oversee fundraising events such as sponsored events, concerts, meetings, coffee mornings and sales of textiles. The charity also benefits from short in-country activity programmes undertaken by volunteers (students and others). Appropriate induction/training is given which includes safeguarding, orientation and first aid.
Other		N/A

2. Achievements and Performance

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		• Completion of the first Hope Ambassador Mbedza Award Youth Leadership Scheme offering a development programme in sports, learning, sex and relationship education and community service. • Improved library provision at the Songani Centre with more resources and the building of a reading hut for early readers. • Continued provision at the Songani Centre of recreational activities, games and TV for the school-age population in the area. • Stove-building programme. - Completion of 671 Esperanza stoves (262 last year and 591 the year before). - Distribution of 100 Gamba Tinsmith stoves (140 last year, 300 the year before). Each stove reduces the cost to a household of buying firewood or the time spent collecting it, as well as providing other economic, health, social and educational benefits. • Trees planted: 35,000 (35,377 last year and 5,100 the year before). Trees are planted in village communities and schools. Tree-planting projects in village communities include training, the establishing of tree nurseries and woodlots, and the distribution of trees to households. In time the project will provide the economic benefit of a sustainable supply of firewood and the environmental benefit of reversed deforestation locally with reduced risk of soil erosion and flood damage. Tree-planting projects in schools provide learning and hands-on experience about raising saplings and caring for trees. Continued monitoring is an essential component of each project: - the sixth year of a community project in several local villages (these villages have received
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		special needs. The foundations of a new centre near Zomba have been completed with school groups expected in summer 2025 to help progress the build. These families are particularly disadvantaged with the children being neglected in the community, and relatively small interventions can have large impacts. • The purpose of the maize mill has been recast as a non-profit enterprise to reduce poverty in the local area. However poor harvests have meant that income this year has been lower than last and the mill has had to be subsidised. • The small-scale textiles/sewing project is now producing sanitary kits for schoolgirls who often lack suitable provision as well as textiles for sale in the UK and Belgium. • Continued communications support in Malawi to provide stories and images. Information and updates are important to retain the engagement of existing donors/supporters as well as raise awareness among others. • Development of contacts with other organisations in Malawi such as Medicins Sans Frontieres, Care International and Mary's Meals.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The notional income target of £152,000 was exceeded with total income £162,966.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A

Other		

3. Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Brought forward 6/4/2024: £18,361 Income during the year: £162,966 Expenditure during the year: £169,986 Balance at 5/4/2025: £11,341 Expenditure in the UK: UK Core Costs £15,684 (9.2%) Easter Visit flights etc £10,968 (6.5%) Global Gardens £500 (0.3%) Cash Reserves £61 (0.04%) Total £27,214 (16.0%) Expenditure in Malawi: Malawi Costs £129,522 (76.2%) Cash Reserves £13,250 (7.8%) Total £142,772 (84.0%)	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The purpose of the risk reserves and cash reserves policies is to ensure financial stability and to have reserves to cover both expected and unexpected eventualities.	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Cash reserves: £3,936 (£300 in the UK and £3,636 in Malawi) plus staffing reserves to cover salaries for at least 10 months (over £7,000). Risk reserves: £3,073 (£3,000 in the UK and £73 in Malawi)	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Restricted income totalled £132,350 as follows: Monthly Donations £34,501 Other Donations £25,263 Fundraising Campaigns £37,532 Grants £5,017 Sales £3,308 Visits £26,730 Unrestricted income totalled £30,616 as follows: Monthly Donations £1,802
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		Other Donations £4,667 Fundraising Campaigns contribution to core costs: £2,843 Gift Aid/GASDS £16,183 Grants £5,120 (£5,000 Farthing Trust)
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	No policy on investment/ethical investment.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The organisation's risk register was reviewed in May 2025 with appropriate mitigating actions and costs identified. The largest risks with estimated cost are: • Hunger, poor harvests, price of maize. Poor harvests and consequent hunger cause an increase in safeguarding incidents in the Orphan Education Programme, anxiety/stress among staff and even theft of project materials. £1,200. • Economic turbulence. National UK economics and international events potentially strain donors and donor sustainability. High inflation in Malawi (food inflation at 30+%) require continual staff pay increases to keep pace. £1,200 • Visits Programme. All visits come with risks and the potential for things to go wrong. £1,050. • Extreme weather events eg cyclones. Malawi appears to be increasingly prone to severe weather events which cause widespread flooding and disruption. £1,000. • Long term sustainability of Mbedza. The board of trustees need to work out a plan for continuing the work of key UK staff when they retire. £1,000. • Safeguarding. This is a challenge in Malawi, compounded by cultural complexities. £625. • Critical illness of key staff. Absence of key staff would impact project delivery. £500.
Other		N/A

4. Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointment. In accordance with the Charitable Trust Deed 19 May 2015 Par 9(1) amended 27 March 2025 "There must be at least 5 trustees. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called under clause 15 of this deed".

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	No policies or procedures at present specific to induction although ongoing training for all trustees is sometimes provided at meetings.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Mbedza's structure in the UK is that of a mostly voluntary team comprised of a Director, Deputy Director and several Associate Directors (one of whom is based in Brussels). In Malawi, where overwhelmingly our funds are spent (84.0% this year), we have a salaried Director, Deputy Directors and team of staff. Contact is maintained informally with other charities in the sector, both in the UK and in Malawi.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Mbedza has a memorandum of understanding with Accomplish Children's Trust (a UK charity) and a developing one with Mbedza Belgium (a Belgian ASBL, Association Sans But Lucratif).
Other		N/A

5. Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Mbedza Projects Support
Other name the charity uses	Mbedza
Registered charity number	1162581
Charity's principal address	11 Bayswater Square Stafford ST18 0YH

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	Paul Grinstead			First trustee
2	June Wilson		Until 27 March 2024	First trustee
3	Nicola Davies			Trustee board
4	Mike Cook	Chair		Trustee board
5	Anthony Wilson	Previously advisor	Until 27 March 2024	Trustee board
6	Catherine Greenaway			Trustee board
7	Simon Barber			Trustee board
8	Denise Ellis	Previously MOSES trustee		Trustee board

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

6. Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Julian Watson, Director Martin Paisley, Deputy Director Finance Sue Bird, Associate Director Songani Centre Amanda Flashman, Associate Director Tree-Planting Dave & Diane Collett, Associate Directors Chiyambi Nursery Jessica Watson, Associate Director Sponsored Education and Visits Programme
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7. Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

8. Other optional information

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9. Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Michael Cook	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	14 June 2025	



Charity Name		No (if any)	
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	Period start date 06-Apr-24	To	Period end date 05-Apr-25

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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	6,470	59,764	-	66,234	74,787
Fundraising Campaigns	2,843	37,532	-	40,375	32,588
Gift Aid/GASDS	16,183	-	-	16,183	13,736
Grants	5,120	5,017	-	10,137	29,722
Sales	-	3,308	-	3,308	2,381
Income for Malawi Group Visit	-	26,730	-	26,730	15,959
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	30,616	132,350	-	162,966	169,172
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	30,615.99	132,350	-	162,966	169,172
A3 Payments					
Malawi Costs (Projects and Group Visit)	13,250.00	129,522	-	142,772	134,235
UK Core Costs	4,300	-	-	4,300	5,771
UK Consultancy	7,595	500	-	8,095	17,205
UK Costs for Group Visit	-	10,968	-	10,968	3,879
UK Costs for Malawi Visit to UK	3,850	-	-	3,850	-
UK Costs for Director's Visit to Malawi	-	-	-	-	1,495
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	28,995	140,991	-	169,986	162,586
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	28,995	140,991	-	169,986	162,586
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,621	- 8,641	-	- 7,020	6,587
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,172	16,189	-	18,361	11,774
Cash funds this year end	3,793	7,548	-	11,341	18,361

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,793	7,548	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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**Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £**

**Restricted
funds
to nearest £**

**Endowment
funds
to nearest £**

Details

B2 Other monetary assets

Ring making machine	-	6,000	-
Songani Centre Building	-	125,000	-
Songani Centre Equipment	-	36,000	-
Chiyambi Building	-	29,000	-
Chiyambi Equipment	-	9,000	-
	-	-	-

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B3 Investment assets

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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**B4 Assets retained for the charity's
own use**

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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B5 Liabilities

	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



Michael Cook

14-Jun-25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Mbedza Projects Support

**On accounts for the year
ended**

5 April 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1162581

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 05/04/2025

**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").

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.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

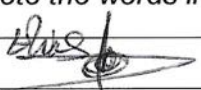
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below *~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- 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:



Date:

29/7/2025

Name:

ELASKHONEIZER - ON BEHALF OF WYNNIATT HOUSE

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

MEMBER OF ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING
TECHNICIANS (MAAT)

Address:

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		- Continued provision of nursery school provision at Chiyambi, Monkey Bay. - Continued support of the Heart of Mercy project working with families of children with special needs. - Ongoing financial monitoring of a maize mill for better understanding of its operation. - Continuation of a small-scale textiles/sewing project producing sanitary kits. - Media and communications support in the UK and Malawi. - Visit of 30 students from Manor Academy York in October 2023 - Visit of two UK gap students October – December 2023.
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		• Stove-building programme. - Completion of 262 Esperanza stoves (591 last year and 402 the year before). - Distribution of 140 Gamba Tinsmith stoves (300 last year). Each stove reduces the cost to a household of buying firewood or the time spent collecting it, as well as providing other economic, health, social and educational benefits. • Large upscale in trees planted: 35,544 (5,100 last year and 11,920 the year before). Trees are planted in village communities and schools. Tree-planting projects in village communities include training, the establishing of tree nurseries and woodlots, and the distribution of trees to households. In time the project will provide the economic benefit of a sustainable supply of firewood and the environmental benefit of reversed deforestation locally with reduced risk of soil erosion and flood damage. Tree-planting projects in schools provide learning and hands-on experience about raising saplings and caring for trees. Continued monitoring is an essential component of each project: - the fifth year of a community project in several local villages. - the fourth year of a school project based in Songani Primary School. - the third year of a community project (villages Malemusi I and II, Minyanga and Mikulumu). - the second year of a community project (Katete and Makanganya villages). The 35,544 trees this year were planted across 22 villages, Luwi Primary School and the Mbedza staff themselves. • This year saw the merger of sponsored education charity MOSES with Mbedza. Secondary education was provided for 100 students this year (80 last year and the year before). These students
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		donors/supporters as well as raise awareness among others. • The successful visit of 30 students from Manor Academy York in October 2023 provided an unforgettable opportunity for these students to experience life and culture very different from their own. Fundraising for the stove project prior to the visit was an integral part, with ongoing opportunities for financial support to one or more projects after the visit. • The visit of two UK gap students October – December 2023 provided a longer-term opportunity to be immersed in Malawian life and culture. Fund-raising for the Chiyambi nursery prior to the visit was complemented by practical help with various activities during the visit.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The notional income target of £137,000 was exceeded with total income £173,642.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

3. Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Brought forward 6/4/2023: £13,504 (£11,744 Mbedza and £1,730 MOSES) Income during the year: £173,642 (£169,172 Mbedza and £4,470 MOSES) Expenditure during the year: £168,656 (£162,586 Mbedza and £6,070 MOSES) Balance at 5/4/2024: £18,491 (£18,361 Mbedza and £130 MOSES)	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The purpose of the risk reserves and cash reserves policies is to ensure financial stability and to have reserves to cover both expected and unexpected eventualities.	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Cash reserves: £1,272 (£600 in the UK and £672 in Malawi) plus staffing reserves to cover salaries for at least 6 months (over £7,000, mostly in Malawi). Risk reserves: £1,023 (£800 in the UK and £223 in Malawi)	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Restricted income totalled £150,141 (£145,671 Mbedza and £4,470 MOSES). Restricted income to Mbedza as follows: Monthly Donations £29,848 Other Donations £40,175 Fundraising Campaigns £32,588 Grants £24,722 Sales £2,381 Visit Income £15,959 Unrestricted income totalled £23,501 (£23,501 Mbedza, £0 MOSES). Unrestricted income to Mbedza as follows: Monthly Donations £1,453 Other Donations £3,312 Gift Aid/GASDS £13,736 Grants £5,000 (Farthing Trust)	
Investment policy and objectives including any		No policy on investment/ethical investment.	

social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The organisation's risk register was reviewed in April 2024 with appropriate mitigating actions and costs identified. The largest risks with estimated cost are: • Long term sustainability of Mbedza. The board of trustees need to create a succession plan for continuing the work of key UK staff when they retire. £1,440. • Safeguarding. This is a challenge in Malawi, compounded by cultural complexities. £700 • Economic turbulence. National UK economics (raised interest rates) and international events (war in Ukraine) potentially strain donors and donor sustainability. Large cost increases in Malawi (especially food and fertiliser) require continual staff pay increases to keep pace. £600 • Extreme weather events eg cyclones. Malawi appears to be increasingly prone to severe weather events which cause widespread flooding and disruption. £400. • Critical illness of key staff. Despite new appointments some of our Malawian staff remain stretched and their absence eg through illness creates great strain. £350
Other		N/A

4. Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointment. In accordance with the Charitable Trust Deed 19 May 2015 Par 9(1) "There must be at least 3 trustees. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called under clause 15 of this deed".

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	No policies or procedures at present specific to induction although ongoing training for all trustees is sometimes provided at meetings.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Mbedza's structure in the UK is that of a voluntary team comprised of a Director, Deputy Director and several Associate Directors (one of whom is based in Brussels). In Malawi, where overwhelming our funds are spent (82.6% this year), we have a salaried Director, Deputy Directors and team of staff. Contact is maintained informally with other charities in the sector, both in the UK and in Malawi.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Following a strong relationship to sister charity MOSES (Malawi Orphan Sponsored Education Scheme) via a memorandum of understanding, MOSES merged with Mbedza in September 2023. Mbedza also has a memorandum of understanding with Accomplish Children's Trust.
Other		N/A

5. Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Mbedza Projects Support
Other name the charity uses	Mbedza
Registered charity number	1162581
Charity's principal address	11 Bayswater Square Stafford ST18 0YH

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	Paul Grinstead			First trustee
2	June Wilson			First trustee
3	Nicola Davies			Trustee board
4	Mike Cook	Chair		Trustee board
5	Anthony Wilson	Previously advisor		Trustee board
6	Catherine Greenaway			Trustee board
7	Simon Barber		From September 2022	Trustee board
8	Denise Ellis	Previously MOSES trustee	From September 2023	Trustee board

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

6. Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Senior Consultant June – Dec 2023	Geoffrey Dennis	

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

Julian Watson, Director Martin Paisley, Deputy Director Finance Sue Bird, Associate Director Songani Centre Amanda Flashman, Associate Director Tree-Planting Dave & Diane Collett, Associate Directors Chiyambi Nursery Jessica Watson, Associate Director Sponsored Education

7. Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

8. Other optional information

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9. Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Michael Cook	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	22 June 2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Name
Projects Support

No (if any)
1162581

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 06-Apr-23	To	Period end date 05-Apr-24
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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	4,765	70,022	-	74,787	58,129
Fundraising Campaigns		32,588	-	32,588	4,154
Gift Aid/GASDS	13,736	-	-	13,736	12,423
Grants	5,000	24,722	-	29,722	15,350
Sales		2,381	-	2,381	2,172
Income for Malawi Group Visit		15,959	-	15,959	12,176
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	23,501	145,671	-	169,172	104,404
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	23,501	145,671	-	169,172	104,404
A3 Payments					
Malawi Costs (Projects and Group Visit)	9,450	124,785	-	134,235	92,073
UK Core Costs	5,771	-	-	5,771	4,173
UK Consultancy	8,245	8,960	-	17,205	8,056
UK Costs for Group Visit		3,879	-	3,879	3,941
UK Costs for Director's Visit	1,495		-	1,495	
Sub total	24,961	137,624	-	162,586	108,243
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	24,961	137,624	-	162,586	108,243
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,460	8,047	-	6,587	- 3,839
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,632	8,142	-	11,774	-
Cash funds this year end	2,172	16,189	-	18,361	- 3,839

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				
		2,172	16,189	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	2,172	16,189	-
	(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	Details			
	Ring making machine		6,000	-
	Songani Centre Building		103,000	-
	Songani Centre Equipment		30,000	-
	Chiyambi Building		24,000	-
	Chiyambi Equipment		7,000	-
		-	-	-

		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Details			
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
M Cook	Michael Cook	22-Jun-24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Mbedza Projects Support

On accounts for the year
ended

5 April 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1162581

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 05/04/2024

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 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.

Independent
examiner's statement

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:

Date:

19/9/24

Name:

ELIAS KHONEIZER - ON BEHALF OF WYNNIATT HOUSE LTD

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

MEMBER OF ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING
TECHNICIANS (MAAT)

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MBEDZA PROJECTS SUPPORT

England & Wales - Charity number 1162581

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 6 April 2022

To 5 April 2023

Charity name: Mbedza Projects Support

Charity registration number: 1162581

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The object of the charity was amended on 4th Feb 2023 in agreement with the trustees. Prior to 4th Feb 2023: The object of the charity is the prevention or relief of poverty in Malawi, in particular but not exclusively by: • providing assistance to groups and individuals suffering from hardship • providing resources to support HIV education, testing and counselling • providing individuals and groups with equipment, training and other resources in order to live more sustainably • provide resources such as stoves, mosquito nets and boreholes in order to improve the health and wellbeing of Malawians From 4th Feb 2023: The object of the charity is the prevention or relief of poverty in Malawi, in particular but not exclusively by: • providing assistance to groups and individuals suffering from hardship • providing resources to support HIV education, testing and counselling • Creating sustainable environments through tree planting and other projects. • Improving livelihoods through stove building. • Providing more equitable access to education.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the	Para 1.17 and 1.19	In this reporting period the main activities of the charity were:

activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.		• Continued provision of fuel-efficient stoves which reduce the cost of buying firewood or the time spent collecting it, as well as providing many other benefits. • Further development of the Songani HIV project and its associated youth and education activities (youth club, sanitary project, library, games and recreation). • Ongoing monitoring of tree-planting projects, the oldest in several community villages, a second in Songani Primary School and the newest in further community villages. • Continued provision of nursery school provision at Chiyambi, following the completion of the building of a new premises. • Support of two UK project workers until their return in July 2022. • Media and communications support in the UK and Malawi to provide information and updates for donors and supporters. • Small-scale help for repairs following damage from cyclone Freddie in February 2023. • Scrutiny of the operation of a maize mill with improvement to its profitability. • Re-direction of the efforts of a small-scale textiles/sewing project from producing hard-to-sell items to sanitary kits. • Continued close working with child education sponsorship charity MOSES (via a memorandum of understanding, prior to planned merger in 2023-24). • Continued support of the Heart of Mercy project working with families of children with special needs.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	Para 1.18	The activities outlined contribute to achieving the purposes of the charity as summarised above.

issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		In making decisions about the activities the trustees declare that that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit provided by the Charity Commission. It is understood that since the aims for the charity are to prevent or relieve poverty, the public benefit requirement is met by satisfying the 'benefit' aspect only without need to separately consider the 'public' aspect.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	MPS is not a grant making organisation.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	No policy on social investment or programme related investment.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	UK staff (Director, Deputy Director, Associate Directors) are volunteers. The charity also benefits from short in-country activity programmes undertaken by volunteers (students and others). Appropriate induction/training is given which includes safeguarding, orientation and first aid.
Other		N/A

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	- Completion of 591 Esperanza stoves and 300 Gamba Tinsmith stoves households in 17 villages with associated well-attested economic, health, social and educational benefits. - Continued development of the Songani Centre. HIV testing at the centre (499/657 tests this/last year) and in the community (1809/1154

		tests this/last year). Distribution of sanitary kits (514/540 this/last year) with associated health and sex education. Continued development of activities for the school-age population in the area: youth club, health information programme, improved library provision and educational opportunities, recreational activities, games and TV. • The fourth year of a community tree-planting project which included training, the establishing of tree nurseries and woodlots, and the distribution of trees to households. In time the project will provide the economic benefit of a sustainable supply of firewood and the environmental benefit of reversed deforestation locally. The third year of a school-based tree planting project based in Songani Primary School to provide learning and hands-on experience about raising saplings and caring for trees. The second year of a new tree planting project in Malemusi I and II, Minyanga and Mikulumu villages. The first year of tree planting in Katete and Makanganya villages. Trees planted 5100/11920 this/last year. • Completion of the first year of improved nursery provision at Chiyambi, Monkey Bay, following the completion of a new building. This builds on long-standing links with the area. Education is a key route out of poverty and intervening in early years education is known to have benefits in later years (currently less than 10% of children complete Secondary Education). • Continued support of two UK project workers until July 2022, who have enabled staff training and the development of the charity's activities and organisational processes. • Paid-for media and communications support in the UK and Malawi. This enables dissemination of information and updates for existing donors/supporters as well as
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		awareness-raising for others who might wish to donate/support. • Small-scale help for repairs following damage from Cyclone Freddie in February 2023. Extreme weather events are becoming more frequent and severe as changes to the climate become more apparent, with dire consequences for houses, crops and even human lives. • Scrutiny of the operation of a maize mill with improvement to its profitability. It is intended that income-generating activities play a part in enabling some aspects of the work of Mbedza to become self-sustaining. • Re-direction of the efforts of a small-scale textiles/sewing project. Up until now the focus has been on producing items for sale in the UK but there is an unsold surplus. The project is now producing sanitary kits for schoolgirls who often lack suitable provision. • Continued close working with sponsored education charity MOSES, providing secondary education for around 80 students. These students have lost one or both parents and would be otherwise unable to afford to go to secondary school. • Continued support of the Heart of Mercy project working with families of children with special needs. Such families tend to be particularly in need and the children neglected in the community.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The notional income target of £85,000 was exceeded with total income £104,404.

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Brought forward 6/4/2022: £15,612.96 Income during the year: £104,404.11 Expenditure during the year: £108,242.95 Balance at 5/4/2023: £11,774.12
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The purpose of the risk reserves and cash reserves policies is to ensure financial stability and to have reserves to cover both expected and unexpected eventualities.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Cash reserves: £1,192 (includes £600 Current Reserves) Risk reserves: £1,890
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Restricted income totalled £91,981. £72,478 of this was made up of donations from organisations and supporters. Grants were made as follows: Staff Salaries: Friends of Holy Trinity Brussels £1,523 Brussels Women's Club £6,827 Stove building: Big Give Christmas Challenge £4,153 Ashworth Trust £5,000 Songani Youth Club: Manor CE Academy £2,000 Unrestricted income including Gift Aid totalled £12,423.
Investment policy and objectives including any	Para 1.46	No policy on investment/ethical investment.

social investment policy adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The organisation's risk register was reviewed in March 2023 with appropriate mitigating actions and costs identified. The principal risks with estimated cost are: • Visits programme. Short visits for supporters have resumed and are now organised by Mbedza. They come with risks and the potential for mishap. £600 • Safeguarding. This is a challenge in Malawi, compounded by cultural complexities. £600 • Economic Turbulence. National economics (high inflation/interest rates) and international events (Ukraine, exchange rate falls, price increases) potentially strain donors and donor sustainability. Large cost increases in Malawi (especially food and fertiliser) require pay rises to keep pace. £500 • Extreme weather events eg cyclones. Malawi appears to be increasingly prone to severe weather events which cause widespread flooding and disruption. £500 • Long term sustainability of Mbedza. The board of trustees will need to work out a long-term plan for continuing the work of key UK staff when they retire. £400
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointment. In accordance with the Charitable Trust Deed 19 May 2015 Par 9(1) "There must be at least 3 trustees. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called under clause 15 of this deed".

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

		No policies or procedures at present specific to induction although ongoing
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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	training for all trustees is sometimes provided at meetings.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Mbedza's structure in the UK is that of a team comprised of a volunteer Director, Deputy Director and several Associate Directors (one of whom is based in Brussels). In Malawi, where overwhelming the funds are spent, we have a salaried Director, Deputy Directors and team of staff. Contact is maintained informally with other charities in the sector, both in the UK and in Malawi.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	There is a strong relationship to sister charity MOSES (Malawi Orphan Sponsored Education Scheme) via a memorandum of understanding. (The trustees agreed in April 2023 that MOSES would merge with Mbedza in 2023-34.)
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Mbedza Projects Support
Other name the charity uses	Mbedza
Registered charity number	1162581
Charity's principal address	11 Bayswater Square Stafford ST18 0YH

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	Paul Grinstead			First trustee
2	June Wilson			First trustee
3	Nicola Davies			Trustee board
4	Mike Cook	Chair		Trustee board
5	Anthony Wilson	Previously advisor		Trustee board
6	Catherine Greenaway			Trustee board
7	Simon Barber		From September 2022	Trustee Board
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Julian Watson, Director
Martin Paisley, Deputy Director Finance
Sue Bird, Associate Director Songani Centre
Amanda Flashman, Associate Director Tree-Planting
Dave & Diane Collett, Associate Directors Chiyambi Nursery

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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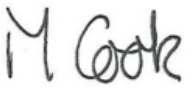
Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Michael Cook	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	15 July 2023	



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	06-Apr-22		05-Apr-23

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					
Salaries - Donations	-	25,437.97	-	25,437.97	18,856
Salaries - Holy Trinity Brussels	-	1,523.10	-	1,523.10	1,336
Salaries - Brussels Womens Club	-	6,826.78	-	6,826.78	
Songani Activities (Sanitary, Library, Misc)	71.51	4,320.28		4,391.79	
Songani Youth Club - Manor CE Academy		2,000.00		2,000.00	
Stoves - Donations	-	11,161.90	-	11,161.90	7,384
Stoves - Big Give Christmas Challenge	-	4,153.76	-	4,153.76	8,481
Stoves - Ashworth Trust	-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00	-
Tree Planting		3,339.56		3,339.56	12,476
MOSES		1,204.82		1,204.82	
Chiyambi Nursery	600.00	4,346.18		4,946.18	17,035
Gap/Visits		12,175.76		12,175.76	1,364
Unrestricted (Reserves)	6,209.85			6,209.85	7,650
UK Admin	3,871.39	302.00		4,173.39	4,380
UK Consultancy	1,451.07	2,585.95		4,037.02	
Miscellaneous	219.46	5,430.54		5,650.00	7,176
Textile Sales		2,172.23		2,172.23	937
Songani Youth Club - York Corinthians					1,200
Songani - Brussels Rotary Grant					1,448
Songani - Femmes d'Europe Grant					2,439
Stoves - FCDO Grant 2					2,541
Stoves - Souter Trust					2,500
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,423.28	91,980.83	-	104,404.11	97,202
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,423.28	91,980.83	-	104,404.11	97,202
A3 Payments					
Salaries	-	29,790.00	-	29,790.00	16,843
Stoves	-	21,304.03	-	21,304.03	18,263
Songani Activities	221.51	6,184.49	-	6,406.00	4,998
Tree Planting	-	4,590.00	-	4,590.00	10,154
MOSES	-	1,290.00	-	1,290.00	1,507
Chiyambi Nursery	600.00	7,630.00	-	8,230.00	13,530
Gap/Visits	80.00	11,583.56	-	11,663.56	-
UK Admin	3,871.39	302.00		4,173.39	5,200
UK Consultancy	3,401.07	4,654.90		8,055.97	
Miscellaneous Malawi Costs	5,169.46	5,400.54		10,570.00	14,790
Textiles		2,170.00		2,170.00	1,210
Stoves FCDO Grant					2,930
Payment to NPG (Easy Ltd)	-	-	-	-	3,500
Sub total	13,343.43	94,899.52	-	108,242.95	92,925
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	13,343	94,900	-	108,243	92,925
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 920	- 2,919	-	- 3,839	4,276
A5 Transfers between funds	2,920	- 2,920	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,633	13,980	-	15,613	-
Cash funds this year end	3,632.36	8,141.76	-	11,774	4,276

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		3,632	8,142	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	3,632	8,142	-
		OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Ring making machine		5,000	-
	Songani Centre Building		86,000	-
	Songani Centre Equipment		25,000	-
	Chiyambi Building		20,000	-
	Chiyambi Equipment		6,000	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	M Cook	Michael Cook	15-Jul-23	



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Mbedza Projects Support

On accounts for the year
ended

5 April 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1162581

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 05/04/2023.

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 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.

Independent
examiner's statement

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:

Date:

19/10/2023

Name:

ELIAS KHONEIZER - ON BEHALF OF WYNATT-HUSE LTD

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

MEMBER OF ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING
TECHNICIANS (MAAT)

Address:

THE OLD COACH HOUSE
HORSE FAIR
RUGELEY, WS15 2EL

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	6	April	2021		5	April	2022

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name MBEDZA PROJECTS SUPPORT

Other names charity is known by MPS, Mbedza

Registered charity number (if any) 1162581

Charity's principal address 11 BAYSWATER SQUARE

STAFFORD

Postcode

ST18 OYH

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	Paul Grinstead			First trustee
2	June Wilson			First trustee
3	Nicola Davies			Trustee board
4	Michael Cook	Chair		Trustee board
5	Anthony Wilson	Previously advisor		Trustee board
6	Catherine Greenaway			Trustee board
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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)

Julian Watson, Director
 Martin Paisley, Deputy Director and Finance Manager
 Alan Wyatt, Partnerships and Funding Manager
 Sue Bird, Associate Director, Songani Centre
 Amanda Flashman, Associate Director, Tree-Planting
 Dave and Dianne Collett, Associate Directors, Chiyambi Nursery

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointment. In accordance with the Charitable Trust Deed 19 May 2015 Par 9(1) "There must be at least 3 trustees. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called under clause 15 of this deed".

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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

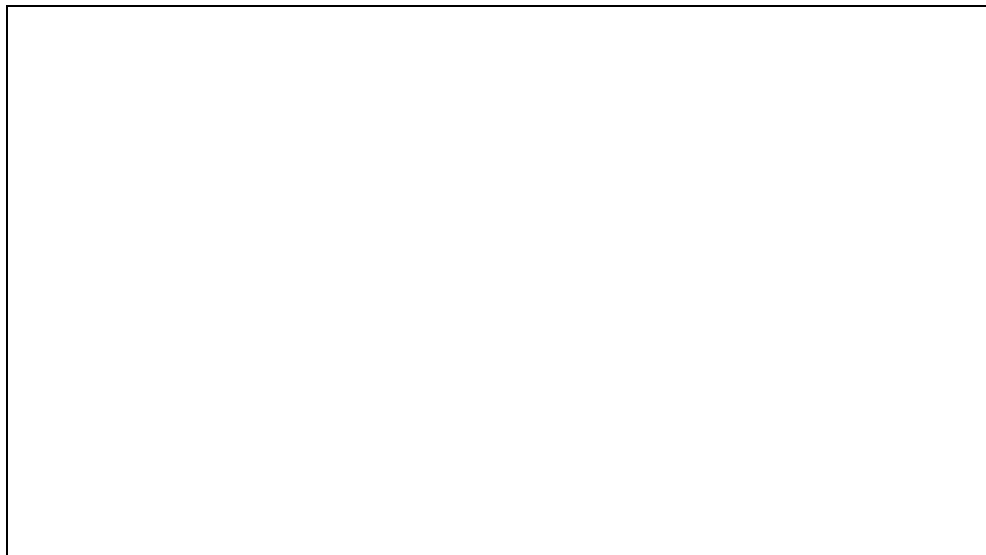
- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

No policies or procedures at present specific to induction although ongoing training for all trustees is sometimes provided at meetings.

Mbedza's structure in the UK is that of team comprised of a volunteer Director, Deputy Director and several Associate Directors (one of whom is based in Brussels). In Malawi, where overwhelming the funds are spent, we have a salaried Director, Deputy Directors and team of staff. Contact is maintained informally with other charities in the sector, both in the UK and in Malawi.

There is a strong relationship to sister charity MOSES (Malawi Orphan Sponsored Education Scheme) via a memorandum of understanding.

A risk register is maintained and reviewed every two months prior to each trustee meeting. Each risk is classified and evaluated financially according to the combination of cost and likelihood of occurrence. The sum of financial evaluations is the amount recommended that the charity keeps in its risk reserves (or 2.5% of planned expenditure whichever is the greater).



Section C Objectives and activities

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

The object of the charity is the prevention or relief of poverty in Malawi, in particular but not exclusively by:

- providing assistance to groups and individuals suffering from hardship
- providing resources to support HIV education, testing and counselling
- providing individuals and groups with equipment, training and other resources in order to live more sustainably
- provide resources such as stoves, mosquito nets and boreholes in order to improve the health and wellbeing of Malawians

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)

In this reporting period the main activities of the charity were:

- Continued provision of fuel-efficient stoves which reduce the cost of buying firewood or the time spent collecting it, as well as providing many other benefits.
- Continued development of the Songani HIV project and its associated youth and education activities (games and recreation, library, sanitary project, youth club).
- Ongoing monitoring of tree-planting projects, one in the community, a second in Songani Primary School and a third newly started.
- Completion of the building of a new premises for nursery school provision at Chiyambi, and its commencement of provision.
- Supporting two UK project workers based in Malawi for the whole period.
- Development of new products for small-scale sewing project.

The activities outlined contribute to achieving the purposes of the charity as summarised above.

In making decisions about the activities the trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit provided by the Charity Commission.

It is understood that since the aims for the charity are to prevent or relieve poverty, the public benefit requirement is met by satisfying the 'benefit' aspect only without need to separately consider the 'public' aspect.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

Mbedza is not a grant making organisation

Mbedza has no policy on programme-related investment

Mbedza benefits from in-country activity programmes both short (a few weeks) and long (a year or more) undertaken by volunteers such as students and others. Appropriate induction and training is given which includes safeguarding, orientation and first aid.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

- Completion of our second stove-building project for 2,100 households funded by FCDO (formerly DFID) Small Charities Challenge Fund (SCCF). We amply demonstrated that provision of the stoves brings economic, health, social and educational benefits for these households in 18 villages around Zomba. Following the discontinuation of the SCCF funding stream we have continued stove-building tho at a smaller scale.
- Continued development of the Songani Centre with increased HIV testing at the centre and in the community. Expansion of activities for the school-age population in the area: recreational activities, games and TV; improved library provision and educational opportunities; health information programme; sanitary project for girls; youth club.
- The third year of a community tree-planting project which included training, the establishing of tree nurseries and woodlots, and the distribution of trees to households. In time the project will provide the economic benefit of a sustainable supply of firewood and the environmental benefit of reversed deforestation locally. The second year of a school-based tree planting project based in Songani Primary School to provide learning and hands-on experience about raising saplings and caring for trees. The first year of a new tree planting project in Malemusi I and II, Minyanga and Mikulumu villages.
- Completion of a new building for improved nursery provision at Chiyambi, Monkey Bay, which builds on long-standing links with the area. Education is a key route out of poverty and intervening in early years education is known to have benefits in later years (currently less than 10% of children complete Secondary Education).
- Two UK project workers have been supported who have enabled staff training and the development of the charity's activities and organisational processes.
- Six-week visit of the Director to Malawi Dec 2021-Jan 2022 to undertake staff appraisal and training, and review of all projects.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The purpose of the risk reserves and cash reserves policies is to ensure financial stability and to have reserves to cover both expected and unexpected eventualities. It is expected that risk reserves will ideally be at least 2.5% of planned expenditure or the amount determined by the risk analysis (whichever is the higher) and cash reserves will be at least 2.5% of planned annual spend.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None to report.

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.

Successful funding applications were made to the following organisations:

For stove building:

FCDO £2,541

Christmas Big Give £8,481

Souter Trust £2,500

For the Songani Centre:

Femmes d'Europe €2,881 (£2,439)

Brussels-Bruocsella Rotary Club €1,500 (£1,336)

Friends of Holy Trinity Church Brussels €1,740 (£1,448)

York Corinthians £1,200

Fundraising:

Just Giving £14,263 (Lands End to John O'Groats bike ride £7,426, virtual London Marathon £5,474, Other £1,363)

Virgin Money London Marathon £1,997

Expenditure has supported the activities in Section D that achieve the key objectives of the charity. See the receipts and payments accounts for more details of the breakdown of expenditure.

The charity has no policy on investment.

Section F

Other optional information

None

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Michael Cook	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	2 August 2022	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name MBEDZA PROJECTS SUPPORT	No (if any) 1162581
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	06-Apr-21	To	05-Apr-22
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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					
Stoves - Donations	1,846	5,538		7,384	4,945
Stoves - Big Give Fundraising		8,481		8,481	4,947
Stoves - FCDO Grant 1					130
Stoves - FCDO Grant 2		2,541		2,541	32,760
Stoves - Souter Trust		2,500		2,500	
Songani Centre Donations	2,131	12,613		14,744	13,793
Songan Centre - Brussels Rotary Grant		1,448		1,448	1,711
Songani Centre - Femmes d'Europe Grant		2,439		2,439	-
Songani Centre - Holy Trinity Brussels		1,336		1,336	1,520
Songani Centre - York Corinthians		1,200		1,200	
Tree - Planting Donations		12,476		12,476	4,166
Chiyambi Nursery - Donations	2,605	14,430		17,035	4,598
Malawi Staff Salary Support	782	3,330		4,112	2,831
Miscellaneous Income Incl Gift Aid	14,911	5,658		20,569	9,923
Sale of Products		937		937	1,148
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	22,274	74,927		97,202	82,472
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	-
Sub total	0	0	0	0	-
Total receipts	22,274	74,927	0	97,202	82,472
A3 Payments					
Stoves		18,263		18,263	7,858
Stoves - FCDO Grant 2		2,930		2,930	34,843
Songani Centre - Salaries		14,670		14,670	11,335
Songani Centre - Activities	1,100	3,898		4,998	5,505
Tree Planting		10,154		10,154	4,367
Chiyambi Nursery	1,600	11,930		13,530	4,990
Malawi Staff Salary Support		2,173		2,173	2,665
Miscellaneous Project Costs	2,780	18,717		21,497	5,880
Payment to NPG (Easy Ltd)	1,800	1,700		3,500	
Purchase of Products		1,210		1,210	1,060
Sub total	7,280	85,645		92,925	78,503
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	7280	85645	0	92925	78,503
Net of receipts/(payments)	14994	-10718	0	4276	3,969
A5 Transfers between funds	- 14,661	14,661	-	-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,299	10,038	-	11,337	7,368
Cash funds this year end	1,633	13,980	-	15,613	11,337

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		1,633	13,980	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	1,633	13,980	-
		OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Ring making machine		4,000	-
	Songani Centre Building		60,000	-
	Songani Centre Equipment		18,000	-
	Chiyambi Building		16,000	-
	Chiyambi Equipment		5,000	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Michael Cook	02-Aug-22



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

MBED2A PROJECTS SUPPORT

On accounts for the year
ended

5TH APRIL 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1162581

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 05/04/2022

**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 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.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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:

Date:

14/11/2022

Name:

EUAN KHOMEIZER - ON BEHALF OF WYNNIATE HOUSE

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

MEMBER OF ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING
TECHNICIANS (MAAT)

Address:

THE OLD COACH HOUSE
HORSE FAIR RUGELEY
WS15 2EL

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 6 April 2020 To 5 April 2021

Charity name: Mbedza Projects Support

Charity registration number: 1162581

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The object of the charity is the prevention or relief of poverty in Malawi, in particular but not exclusively by: • providing assistance to groups and individuals suffering from hardship • providing resources to support HIV education, testing and counselling • providing individuals and groups with equipment, training and other resources in order to live more sustainably provide resources such as stoves, mosquito nets and boreholes in order to improve the health and wellbeing of Malawians
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	In this reporting period the main activities of the charity were: • Continued provision of fuel-efficient stoves which reduce the cost of buying firewood or the time spent collecting it, as well as providing many other benefits. • The development of the Songani HIV project (opened April 2019) and its associated youth and education activities. • The establishment of tree-planting projects, one in the community and the other in Songani Primary School. • Initial planning and consultation for nursery school provision at Chiyambi. • Supporting a UK project worker based in Malawi for the second half of the period. • Small-scale support to projects supporting bag-making, sanitary provision.

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The activities outlined contribute to achieving the purposes of the charity as summarised above. In making decisions about the activities the trustees declare that that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit provided by the Charity Commission. It is understood that since the aims for the charity are to prevent or relieve poverty, the public benefit requirement is met by satisfying the 'benefit' aspect only without need to separately consider the 'public' aspect.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	MPS is not a grant making organisation.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	No policy on social investment or programme related investment.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	MPS benefits from short in-country activity programmes undertaken by volunteers (students and others). Appropriate induction/training is given which includes safeguarding, orientation and first aid.
Other		N/A

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	• Continuation of our second stove-building project for 2,100 households funded by FCDO (formerly DFID) Small Charities Challenge Fund (SCCF). We have amply demonstrated that provision of the stoves brings economic, health, social and educational benefits for these households in 18 villages around Zomba. • Development of the new Songani Centre for the HIV project, with increased testing at the centre and in the community, and with additional recreational equipment at the centre such as table tennis and pool table. The Centre provides health, social and educational benefits particularly for the school-age population in the area. • The second year of a community tree-planting project which included training, the establishing of tree nurseries and woodlots, and the distribution of trees to households. In time the project will provide the economic benefit of a sustainable supply of firewood and the environmental benefit of reversed deforestation locally. • Starting a school-based tree planting project based in Songani Primary School to provide learning and hands-on experience about raising saplings and caring for trees. • Planning and consultation for new nursery provision at Chiyambi, Monkey Bay, which build on links with the area over many years. Education is a key route out of poverty and intervening in early years education is known to have benefits in later years (currently less than 10% of children complete Secondary Education). • The planned two-way visits were cancelled because of Covid.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Successful funding applications were made to the following organisations: For stove building: Big Give £4,947 For the Songani Centre: Brussels Rotary Club €2,000 (£1,710.57) Friends of Holy Trinity Church Brussels €1,740 (£1,519.78)
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Brought forward 6/4/2020: £7,368.01 Income during the year: £82,471.85 Expenditure during the year: £78,503.21 Balance at 5/4/2021: £11,336.65
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The purpose of the risk reserves and cash reserves policies is to ensure financial stability and to have reserves to cover both expected and unexpected eventualities. It is expected that both risk and cash reserves will each be at least 2.5% of annual spend.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Cash reserves: £1,298.96. With planned expenditure of approximately £50,000 for 2021-22 this represents 2.6%, in line with policy. Risk reserves: £1,947.99. With planned expenditure of approximately £50,000 for 2021-22 this represent 3.9% and reflects the risk review process, in line with policy.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity's principal sources of funding in this period have been one SCCF (Small Charities Challenge Fund) grant from FCDO (formerly DFID) totalling £32,760, and donations from other organisations and supporters (£49,712).
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	No policy on investment/ethical investment.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The organisation's risk register was reviewed in April 2021 with appropriate mitigating actions and costs identified. The principal risks with costs are: Chiyambi Nursery Building Project (risk of cost overrun): £400 Trustee Board's ability to manage change and risk: £200 COVID-19: £200 Critical illness/death of key staff: £200 Illness of key staff: £180 Malawian Director's ability to delegate and manage change: £180 Ring machine breakdown: £175

Other		
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointment. In accordance with the Charitable Trust Deed 19 May 2015 Par 9(1) "There must be at least 3 trustees. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called under clause 15 of this deed".

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	No policies or procedures at present specific to induction tho ongoing training for all trustees is provided at some quarterly meetings.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	We have benefitted again this year from support from FCDO (formerly DFID) and have attended several training/information sessions via online webinar.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	None to report
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Mbedza Projects Support
Other name the charity uses	MPS
Registered charity number	1162581
Charity's principal address	11 Bayswater Square Stafford ST18 0YH

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	Paul Grinstead			First trustee
2	June Wilson			First trustee
3	Nicola Davies			Trustee board
4	Mike Cook	Chair		Trustee board
5	Anthony Wilson	Previously advisor		Trustee board
6	Catherine Greenaway			Trustee board
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Julian Watson, Director (after resigning from the trustee board at the meeting 11 May 2019)
 Martin Paisley, Deputy Director (after resigning from the trustee board at the meeting 30 Nov 2019)
 Sue Bird, Associate Director (Songani Centre, from 7 Sept 2019)
 Amanda Flashman, Associate Director (Tree-Planting, from 7 Sept 2019)

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

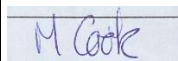
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Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Michael Cook	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	26 July 2021	



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Charity Name
Mbedza Projects Support

No (if any)
1162581

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	06-Apr-20		05-Apr-21

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					
Stoves - Donations	1,069	3,876	-	4,945	8,599
Stoves - Big Give Fundraising	-	4,947	-	4,947	3,939
Stoves - DFID SCCF Grant 1	-	132	-	132	12,755
Stoves - DFID SCCF Grant 2	-	32,760	-	32,760	14,400
Songani - Donations	925	12,868	-	13,793	10,322
Songani - Brussels Rotary Grant	-	1,711	-	1,711	-
Songani - Holy Trinity Brussels Grant	-	1,520	-	1,520	834
Songani - 60th Birthday Fundraising	-	-	-	-	3,312
Songani - Femmes d'Europe Grant	-	-	-	-	4,355
Songani - Schuman Trophy Grant	-	-	-	-	1,251
Songani - Education Alliance Grant	-	-	-	-	500
Tree Planting - Donations	425	3,741	-	4,166	5,150
Chiyambe - Donations	-	4,598	-	4,598	-
Malawi Staff Salary Support	-	2,831	-	2,831	3,160
Miscellaneous Income incl Gift Aid	3,791	6,133	-	9,923	8,723
Sale of Products - Bags/Media	-	1,148	-	1,148	1,328
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,210	76,262	-	82,472	78,628
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,210	76,262	-	82,472	78,628
A3 Payments					
Stoves - MPS	-	7,858	-	7,858	17,762
Stoves - DFID SCCF Grant 1	-	-	-	-	15,486
Stoves - DFID SCCF Grant 2	-	34,843	-	34,843	11,928
Songani - Salaries	-	11,335	-	11,335	11,449
Songani - Activities	589	4,916	-	5,505	11,785
Tree Planting	328	4,039	-	4,367	5,800
Chiyambi Nursery	-	4,990	-	4,990	-
Malawi Staff Salary Support	-	2,665	-	2,665	2,839
Miscellaneous Project Costs	2,318	3,562	-	5,880	6,261
Purchase of Products	-	1,060	-	1,060	1,222
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,235	75,268	-	78,503	84,531
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,235	75,268	-	78,503	84,531
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,974	994	-	3,969	- 5,904
A5 Transfers between funds	- 1,546	1,546	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	691	6,677	-	7,368	13,272
Cash funds this year end	2,119	9,217	-	11,337	7,368

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		2,119	9,217	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	2,119	9,217	-
	(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	Details			
	Malawi cash funds at Mk1,150 = £1	-	10,847	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	Ring making machine		4,000	-
	Songani Centre Building		50,000	-
	Songani Centre Equipment		16,521	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	
	M Cook	Michael Cook	14-Sep-21	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Mbedza Project Support

On accounts for the year
ended

5th April 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1162581

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 05/04/2021.

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 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.

Independent
examiner's statement

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:

Date:

06/12/2021

Name:

ELIAS KONEIZER - ON BEHALF OF WYNNIAT-HOUSE LTD

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