

NAMIBIA PROJECT

England & Wales · Charity number 1163681

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-09-22

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ("OBJECTS") FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT ARE TO RELIEVE SICKNESS AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AND TO PROMOTE AND PRESERVE GOOD HEALTH AND EDUCATION BY THE PROVISION OF FUNDS, GOODS OR SERVICES OF ANY KIND IN NAMIBIA AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT.

Activities: Namibia Project is a UK based charity supporting schools and communities in Namibia. Through sponsorship, access to education and by meeting the basic welfare needs Namibia Project improves the lives and opportunities of orphans and vulnerable children. The charity's priorities for 2023-24 are: SDG 2 "No Hunger and Food Security" SDG 3 "Good Health and Well Being" and SDG 4 "Quality Education".

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Namibia
- East Sussex
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£10,260	£6,457	-	-
2024-06-30	£11,308	£9,593	-	-
2023-06-30	£13,029	£24,685	-	-
2022-06-30	£15,925	£25,481	-	-
2021-06-30	£20,257	£27,451	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ILARIA REGONDI	Chair	2019-09-07
ANN BRANDSE		2015-09-22
Dr ANDREAS IYAMBO ELOMBO		2021-04-12
Isabella Athena Adamopoulos		2022-10-14
Jessica Kort		2024-03-18
RIJN BRANDSE		2018-09-22
SAMUEL PHILLIPSON		2019-06-06
Susan Lowe		2019-06-06
VADIM NIKITIN		2015-09-22
WENDY BRANDSE		2015-09-22

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NAMIBIA PROJECT TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1ST JULY 2023 TO 30TH JUNE 2025

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Fundraising Policy

Section 162a of the Charities Act 2011 requires charities to make a statement regarding fundraising activities. Although we do not undertake to fundraise from the general public, the legislation defines fundraising as 'soliciting or otherwise procuring money or other property for charitable purposes. Such amounts receivable is presented in our accounts as 'voluntary income' and include legacies and grants. Concerning the above, we confirm that all solicitations are managed internally, without the involvement of commercial participators or professional fundraisers or third parties.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits except for travel expenses to further the purposes of the CIO charity.

Objectives and Activities

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

The objects of the CIO ("Objects") for the public benefit are to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve goods or services of any kind in Namibia as the trustees may from time to time think fit.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit concerning these objects:




The Namibia Project Charity works in partnership with I!Khuta!hoas Primary School, near Berseba, Kharas Region, in the South of Namibia and Dr Alpo Mauno Mbamba Junior Secondary School, at Rundu, in the North of Namibia.

In October 2020 the Namibia Project and ACS International School Cobham were linked. At the heart of this partnership our strategy was to focus on students and their learning outcomes. The goal was to work in Partnership on fund-raising campaigns to make a tangible difference to the lives of orphans and vulnerable children in Namibia.

Summary of the main accomplishments of the charity during the transition year 2024-2025.

The new trustee board takes the Namibia Project into the future. Though no longer directly linked to ACS, the mission remains unchanged – to improve the lives and opportunities of orphans and vulnerable children at I!Khuta!hoas Primary School and beyond.

SDG 2. Zero Hunger and Food Security, **SDG 3.** Good Health and Well Being, **SDG 4.** Quality Education.

	<p>PRIORITISING KEY OUTCOMES for the Partnership with I!KHUTA!HOAS PRIMARY SCHOOL.</p>
	<p>KEY OUTCOMES - WHAT WE DID and WHY WE DID IT.</p>
	<p>WHAT WE DID: We improved the Food Security at I!Khuta!hoas Primary School by purchasing protein-rich foods for the Orphans and Vulnerable Children, in the hostel.</p>
	<p>WHAT WE DID: Educational Supplies and Support. We purchased stationery and office supplies</p>

THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN.

THE NAMIBIA PROJECT'S UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME - January 2019 - June 2024

The Namibia Project trustees can be justifiably proud that the charity was able to ring-fence enough funds in 2019 to enable two young people to attend university for four years; graduate; secure full-time employment in 2024 and change their lives.



Donors and Sponsors' Half-Yearly Report from the Namibia Project Graduates, June 2025.

Oliver Shirunda.

School: Dr Alpo Mauno Mbamba Rundu.

University: Namibia University of Science and Technology

Degree: Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Power. 2023.

When it comes to my career, everything seems to be progressing well, with continuous learning and development. My walk into the corporate world started with an internship at Protecon Engineering Namibia between September and November 2022. I made the move to the City of Windhoek (Municipal) Electricity Department for a similar opportunity, which exposed me to the City of Windhoek's electrical network and how the planning, operation and maintenance happens there. The contract ended on the 31st of May 2023.

On the 12th of June 2023 I got an opportunity at WCE Consulting Engineers (WCE) to be a graduate in training, which was basically a probation period which matured into me being an Engineer in Training on the 1st of March 2024. I have been at WCE since then, constantly learning and constantly growing. My focus right now is on attaining professional registration with the Engineering Council of Namibia (ECN), of which now I am registered with as an Engineer in Training.



I wanted to further my studies by studying towards a Master's in Business Administration, unfortunately at the moment my senior was away for almost two months and I was advised to rather put that on hold given the fact that I had to step up and do some work which my senior usually does, also to put my focus on ECN registration. My plan is to still go for it, especially once I attain registration from ECN. At the moment I am just looking forward to taking part in short-term training to get some certifications which will be beneficial to attach to my 'application for registration as a professional engineer report' as it shows continuous development.

Attached are some photographs I took recently, going forward I will be taking more pictures more often so that for the next report I have more than enough.

Irmgard Ndumba,

School: Dr Alpo Mauno Mbamba Rundu.

University: University of Namibia

Degree: Bachelor of Education in Accounting and Economics. 2023.

Career: Economics Teacher at Dr Alpo Mauno Mbamba JS School.

On the 22nd of May, my family and I celebrated my elder sister's graduation. It was joyful witnessing my sister's academic achievement and my Dad was so proud seeing both his girls' complete university. A week after, I was privileged to attend a workshop in Swakopmund. It was relaxing as we were booked in a very luxury seaside hotel, and I got to network with other teachers nationwide and learnt a lot in my accounting subject. Recently, I went to a camp where I volunteered to cook for a group of young girls from church, which was very fun. I will attach some pictures of all these events.

In my career, I've been struggling with workload, quite a few classes. However, I've been pushing and showing up for learners despite a few challenges. I'm still pursuing my MBA in finance, I successfully completed my modules last year and I am busy with my thesis this year. The thesis is progressing quite slowly, my supervisor is not too responsive, but I keep pushing and disturbing him and recently he started responding. My desire is to complete my master's this year and not to drag it to next year, although it's beyond my control, it will depend on the pace of my supervisor's availability, but I do hope for the best. Unfortunately, for some reason teaching is not fulfilling me. My hope for the future is to transition from teaching to corporate, of course when an opportunity shows up.



In a nutshell, that is it from my side. It was lovely hearing from you, and it will be my honour to share updates on my career progress to my donors. They indeed did a great impact, I might not be at the best in my career yet, but having to complete my university and get a job is immense. I am an independent young lady enjoying life one step at a time. So, I will forever be grateful.

Dr. Andreas Elombo | Ph.D. (Oxon)

Trustee: In-Country Advisor & Academic Mentor | Namibia Project Charity.

Director of the Namibia Energy Institute at NUST. 2025

I am writing to give you an update on how things have been going on my side. As you will have noticed, I have been extremely occupied with so many responsibilities, and this has affected my participation in NP activities. Having dual reporting in my role (government and university) makes it a very complex situation. There have been so many competing tasks from both government and the university.

Despite the immense work pressure, I have been accomplishing quite a few important milestones. I recently submitted a journal paper, which I am proud of, despite the busy schedule I have. We also recently received funding from UNDP through the Japanese Government to purchase a state-of-the-art solar training equipment, which we launched on Tuesday 24th June, with so much preparation prior to the launch. The launch event was attended by high-ranking government officials, the University Vice-Chancellor, and the Japanese Ambassador, and the event was well-covered in the media. We also secured substantial funding to establish a Centre of Excellence for Green Energy, which we hope to launch soon.

There is still so much to do - developing a turn-around strategy for the Institute (which I have now begun) and building out the team. It is a daunting task, but I am committed to giving it my best.



As in-country advisor Andreas has met up with Oliver and Irmgard in Windhoek and more recently with Stina Fleermuys from IlKhuta!hoas Primary School. Berseba, Kharas Region.

"Our Paths Change in Life but the Bond of Our Friendship Remains Ever Strong"

Dr Alpo School Rundu 2019.



The Namibia Project is proud to be part of Oliver and Irmgard's Journey from Dr Alpo School in Rundu to their world of work. 2019-2025.

Financial Review

The financial objectives of the charity remain to raise sufficient income each year to cover the grants and expenditure for the year.

The trustees wish to retain a level of reserves to cover costs and grants in the event of a shortfall in income.

The trustees are of the view that the trust is a going concern.

NAMIBIA PROJECT AGM and the CHAIR'S REPORT 2024 - 2025

We had guidance from the Charity Commission about remotely holding the AGM and confirming the trustee board for 2024 – 2025.

Chair's Report – 2024/2025

It is with great gratitude that we present the Chairs' Report for the Namibia Project for the year ending in June 2025. With Namibia celebrating 35 years of independence, this has been a year of significant progress, deepening impact and continued collaboration in pursuit of our mission to support learners in Namibia through education and nutrition.

Helping Vulnerable Learners Meet Critical Nutritional Needs

Healthy Nutrition remains the cornerstone of our work, and this year we have expanded our reach to more learners than ever before. Through the tireless efforts of our donors, we delivered critical food supplements during one of the most devastating droughts to have hit Namibia in recent history.

Following the State of Emergency declared in June 2024 and extended until 2025, the Namibia Project trustees set up a JustGiving Emergency Food Aid Appeal and raised £9,236, more than 100% of our target. This enabled the provision of food supplements and additional maize meal for the orphans and vulnerable children at the IIKhuta!hoas Primary School for the duration of the drought.

Providing Basic Learning Supplies

Obtaining stationery and school supplies remains a difficult burden for many low-income families in Namibia. Thanks to the generosity of donors, the trustees were able to purchase £475 worth of stationery, so that everyone at IIKhuta!hoas could start the school year equipped with the basic tools for learning.

Strengthening Partnerships

Over the past year, the Namibia Project has benefited enormously from the big-heartedness of many organisations who have shared their time and expertise. Particular thanks to everyone at Friends of Namibia (FON), the Namibian High Commission in London, and the Namib Desert Environmental Education Trust (NaDEET) for their support.

Looking Ahead: Sustainable Livelihoods and Community Empowerment

The past year's achievements would not have been possible without the commitment of our trustees, volunteers, local partners, and the incredible generosity of our supporters. Each contribution—whether financial, practical, or advisory—has made a tangible difference in the lives of vulnerable learners.

We would like to pay particular tribute to IIKhūta!hoas Primary School head Paul Goeieman, who is retiring this year. He has devoted his life to improving the lives of learners under very difficult conditions and has been an incredible partner and friend to the Namibia Project. Thank you Paul and enjoy your well-deserved rest!

As we look forward to 2025–26, we remain committed to our core mission while exploring new ways to address the grave challenges facing vulnerable learners in rural Namibia. With the continued support of our partners and donors, we are confident that we can build on the strong foundations laid this year and extend our impact even further.

We recognise that lasting change comes from empowering communities to build and sustain their own futures. This is particularly true during our challenging economic times, epitomised by the ongoing global cost of living crisis. In 2024–25, we have begun to build out a sustainable future for the Namibia Project - one that reduces dependency on direct donations to fund food and provisions in favour of more locally-engaged solutions involving gardening, energy and irrigation projects.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Namibia Project's success, and who has given up their time, expertise and funds to help create a brighter, more sustainable future for our learners.

Ilaria Regondi and Vadim Nikitin

Co-Chairs of Trustees

The Namibia Project

FUTURE PLANS

Past and Current Activities

Governance: In 2020 the charity adopted the Charity Governance Code and assessment template to help the trustees to develop high standards of governance. The process was deferred during the transition of the partnership with ACS and could be reinstated in November 2025.

The National Council for Voluntary Organisations accepted the Namibia Project charity as a member. (NCVO) The trustees will have access to the Know-how Non-profit site and a suite of tools, model documents and guidance on compliance.

Sustainable Development Goals 2025 – 2026

- **SDG 2** - Zero Hunger (school garden & NaDEET support)
- **SDG 3** - Good Health
- **SDG 4** - Quality Education

Namibia Project Mail Out – March 2025

<https://us18.campaign-archive.com/?u=2d75718aeefe49ff16e5b0803&id=745843ba0b>



Happy Namibia Independence Day (21 March)!

Over the past 35 years, the people of Namibia have overcome incredible odds.

And on this momentous occasion, we'd like to say an enormous THANK YOU for helping us raise £9,236 to improve the lives of orphans and vulnerable children at I!Khūta!hoas Primary School.

These funds enabled us to provide hundreds of meals amidst the most devastating drought in Namibian history.

They were cooked sustainably over special "fire balls" that learners make out of used school papers. Here's a photo of them in action!

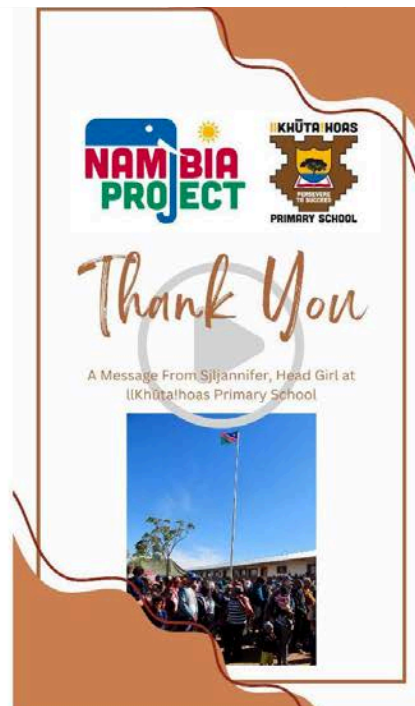


Your generosity also enabled the emergency purchase of £475 worth of stationery, so that everyone at lIkhūta!hoas could start the school year equipped with the basic tools for learning.

“Our special thanks goes out to the Namibia Project for donating stationery and food. Your ongoing generosity is truly appreciated and plays a vital role in our community.

Thank you for your unwavering support. We appreciate your help more than words can express.”

Mr Goeieman, School Principal
& Mrs Stina Fleermuys, School Assistant



Happy Independence Day!

Yours faithfully,

Namibia Project Trustees

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:  _____

Full Name: Ilaria Regondi
Position: Chair

Date: 6th September 2025

Treasurer's report on the accounts
Report to the trustees/members of the Namibia Project
On accounts for the year ended 30th June 2025.

Statement of Financial Activity for the Year Ended 30th June 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023
INCOME	1			
Donations		10,260	11,308	13,029
Fundraising events		0	0	0
Total income		10,260	11,308	13,029
EXPENDITURE	2			
Charitable activities		6,457	9,593	24,685
Raising funds		0	0	0
Total expenditure		6,457	9,593	24,685
Net movement of funds		13,276	12,452	13,623
Net funds brought forward		19,979	15,317	14,917
Total funds carried forward		6,703	2,865	1,294
CURRENT ASSETS		2025	2024	2023
Debtors		0	0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		6,703	2,865	1,294
Creditors				
Amounts falling due within one year	5	0	0	1,766
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,703	2,865	1,294

Signature: _____

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**NAMIBIA PROJECT
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30TH JUNE 2025**

	Note	2025	2024
CURRENT ASSETS		£	£
Debtors		0	0
Cash at the bank and in hand		<u>6,703</u>	<u>2,865</u>
Creditors:	5	0	0
Amounts falling due within one year			
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,703	1,294
RESERVES			
Unrestricted funds		<u>6,703</u>	<u>2,865</u>

Approved by the trustees on **6th September 2025** and signed on their behalf by

Signature: _____

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Receipts and payment methods. This is because the Namibia Project charity has a gross income of less than £250,000. It consists of an account summarising all money received and paid out by the charity in the year ending June 30th 2025 giving a statement detailing the Namibia Project's assets and liabilities.

Income

Income for the year comprises donations and income from fundraising.

Expenditure

Expenses are stated in the statement of financial activities inclusive of VAT which cannot be recovered.

The main categories of expenditure are:

- Charitable activity expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.
- Costs of raising funds and fundraising costs.
- Support costs are allocated over the above categories as appropriate.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted Funds: these are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

2. EXPENDITURE

Charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 £	2023 £
Namibia school expenses	6,457	3,287	9,394
Scholarship Students	0	6,201	15,336
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-
Bank Charges	100	200	500
Postage and stationery	0	105	73
Sundry expenses	15	-	26
Media costs	-	-	110
Accountancy fees	-	-	1,758
	6,572	9,593	25,439

3. TAXATION

The Namibia Project falls below the tax threshold.

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

£971.09 of expenses were reimbursed to trustees in the year, no remuneration was paid to any of the trustees during the year.

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024	2023
Accruals	-	-	-

6. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1st July 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance 30th June 2025 £
Unrestricted funds	2865	10,410	6,572	6,703

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS (Prior Year)

	Balance at 1st July 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance 30th June 2024 £
Unrestricted funds	1,294	11,308	9,736	2,865

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Ms Wendy Brandse	Treasurer
Mr Rijn Brandse	Non-Executive Treasurer.
Ms Jessica Kort	Secretary.
Dr Andreas Elombo	Scholarship Student Mentor.
Mrs Ann Brandse	Non-Executive Compliance Officer.
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THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN.

THE NAMIBIA PROJECT'S UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME - January 2019 - April 2024

The Namibia Project trustees can be justifiably proud that the charity was able to ring-fence enough funds in 2019 to enable two young people to attend university for four years; graduate; secure full-time employment in 2024 and change their lives.

The culmination of Oliver and Irmgard's Journey from the Village of Rundu, to University in Windhoek and into the World of Work.

In April 2023 Oliver graduated from the Namibia University of Science and Technology and summarised his experience by saying, *"I am who I am today, a final year student studying for a Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Power, who is about to graduate on the 28th of April 2023, all because of the Namibia Project."*

Oliver completed his internship and was accepted on to a Graduate Training Program in Windhoek and now has a permanent contract with Windhoek Consulting Engineers.

In September 2023 Irmgard graduated from the University of Namibia (UNAM) with a degree in Secondary Education, Majoring in Accounting and Economics and summarised her experience by saying, *"It has been a great and very beautiful journey. I don't even know what words to use to express my gratitude to the Namibia Project. I feel like "Thank you" is an understatement but it is all I have. Please continue with the exceptional work of changing lives!*

Irmgard completed her teacher-training and has secured a full-time teaching position at Dr Alpo Mauno Mbamba JS School in Rundu.

In January 2023 Glen's tuition for the final two years of study for a Bachelor of Science Degree at the Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST) was funded by Namibia Students' Financial Assistance Fund (NSFAF) He was unable to fund his accommodation, food and living costs. Thanks to the sponsorship from retired trustees and Namibia Project Alumni, Glen will now be able to complete his degree in December 2024.

Many Thanks to Tasha, Peter, Lolly, Lainey, Georgie, Paulee and Issy for making a difference!

Dr Andreas Elombo, the Namibia Project Trustee and Student Mentor will continue to meet regularly with our scholarship graduates to check on their progress and offer moral support when needed.

The contribution made by volunteers

Our trustees and volunteers had to resort to virtual fundraising in the aftermath of the Covid-19 pandemic and the school lockdowns..

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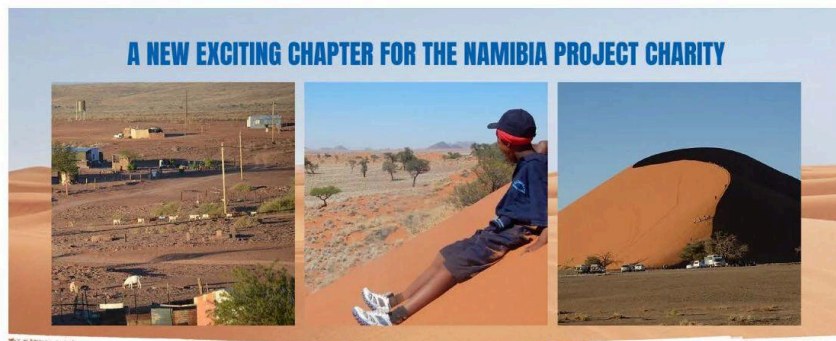
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[Chair Report for the Namibia Project Annual General Meeting on 19th August 2024](#)



Ann and Rijn Brandse have verbally resigned from the Namibia Project board of trustees and given an undertaking that they will support the Namibia Project charity by staying in post until the transitional Namibia Project Trustee board is in place at the end of June 2024.

The present trustees have the skills, knowledge, and experience to be an effective administration of the charity. In 2024 the new board will concentrate on filling the roles and responsibilities on the Board of Trustees and their initial goal will be to raise funds to feed the orphans and vulnerable children at IlKhuta!hoas Primary School for the winter months in Namibia.

An Overview of the Namibia Project By Ilaria Regondi & Vadim Nikitin Namibia Project Co-Chairs

The Namibia Project has come of age. Over the past quarter century, the support of the students, families and friends of ACS Cobham International School has allowed some of the poorest children in sub-Saharan Africa to stay in education and fulfil their academic dreams. Two of these students, Oliver Shirunda and Irmgard Ndumba, have gone on to graduate from university. In 2024 Oliver secured an engineer-in-training position at Windhoek Consulting Engineers and Irmgard intends to take up an economics teaching position in Rundu. The Namibia Project could not be prouder of their achievements!



Since 1998, the Namibia Project has been indelibly affiliated with ACS Cobham International School. Under the stewardship of Ann and Rijn Brandse, 433 students made the annual trip to Namibia, fuelling a vibrant cultural exchange and raising hundreds of thousands of pounds for struggling rural schools. We are profoundly grateful to the whole ACS community for helping to sustain this partnership, including after the Namibia Project spun out to become an independent registered charity in 2015.



Today marks the latest exciting chapter in our journey. As the Brandses finally hang up their bush hats in favour of a much-deserved relaxing retirement it's time for new trustees to take the Namibia Project into the future. Though no longer directly linked to ACS, our mission remains unchanged – to improve the lives and opportunities of orphans and vulnerable children at Ilkhuta!hoas Primary School and beyond.



With nearly half of Namibians living in poverty and youth unemployment at a record 46%, it's more important than ever before to equip students with the means to finish school and help uplift their country.



As a small charity operating during the biggest cost of living crisis in a generation, will have to do more with less. Luckily, our new trustees are digital natives who will harness their creativity, youthful energy, and the power of emerging technologies to make each pound go further than ever. Here is to a new, exciting chapter of this vital cause!



**Namibia Project Trustee Board
(August 2023 - June 2024)**

- Wendy Brandse (1999)
- Vadim Nikitin (2001)
- Ilaria Regondi OBE (2005)
- Sue Lowe (2009, 2012, 2014, 2016)
- Dr. Andreas Elombo (2016)
- Samuel Phillipson (2018)
- Issy Adamopoulos (2019)
- Jessica Kort (2024)

FUTURE PLANS

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Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature: 


Full Name: Ilaria Regondi
Position: Chair

Date: 30 October 2024

Treasurer's report on the accounts
Report to the trustees/members of the Namibia Project
On accounts for the year ended 30th June 2024.

Statement of Financial Activity for the Year Ended 30th June 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023	Unrestricted funds 2022
INCOME	1			
Donations		11,308	13,029	17,114
Fundraising events		0	0	15,095
Total income		11,308	13,029	32,209
EXPENDITURE	2			
Charitable activities		9,593	24,685	31,388
Raising funds		0	0	0
Total expenditure		9,593	24,685	31,388
Net movement of funds		12,452	13,623	13,958
Net funds brought forward		15,317	14,917	28,875
Total funds carried forward		2,865	1,294	14,917
CURRENT ASSETS		2024	2023	2022
Debtors			0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		2,865	1,294	14,917
Creditors				
Amounts falling due within one year	5	0	0	1,766
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,865	1,294	14,917

Signature: 

Full Name: Ilaria Regondi
Position: Chair

**NAMIBIA PROJECT
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30TH JUNE 2024**

	Note	2024	2023
CURRENT ASSETS		£	£
Debtors		0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>2,865</u>	<u>1,294</u>
Creditors:	5	0	0
Amounts falling due within one year			
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,294	14,917
RESERVES			
Unrestricted funds		<u>2,865</u>	<u>1,294</u>

Approved by the trustees On 19th August 2024 and signed on their behalf by

Signature: 
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Receipts and payment methods. This is because the Namibia Project charity has a gross income of less than £250,000. It consists of an account summarising all money received and paid out by the charity in the year ending June 30th 2024 giving a statement detailing the Namibia Project's assets and liabilities.

Income

Income for the year comprises donations and income from fundraising.

Expenditure

Expenses are stated in the statement of financial activities inclusive of VAT which cannot be recovered.

The main categories of expenditure are:

- Charitable activity expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.
- Costs of raising funds and fundraising costs.
- Support costs are allocated over the above categories as appropriate.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted Funds: these are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

2. EXPENDITURE

Charitable activities

	2024 £	2023 £	2022 £
Namibia school expenses	3,287	9,394	28,926
Scholarship Students	6,201	15,336	-
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-
Bank Charges	200	500	500
Postage and stationery	105	73	189
Sundry expenses	-	26	15
Media costs	-	110	-
Accountancy fees	-	-	1,758
	9,593	25,439	31,388

3. TAXATION

The Namibia Project falls below the tax threshold.

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

£971.09 of expenses were reimbursed to trustees in the year, no remuneration was paid to any of the trustees during the year.

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023	2022
Accruals	-	-	-

6. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1st July 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance 30th June 2024 £
Unrestricted funds	1,294	11,308	9,736	2,865

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS (Prior Year)

	Balance at 1st July 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance 30th June 2023 £
Unrestricted funds	14,917	12,257	25,880	1,294

NAMIBIA PROJECT

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NAMIBIA PROJECT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2023

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NAMIBIA PROJECT TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1ST JULY 2022 TO 30TH JUNE 2023

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Our Mission

“Creating Life Chances”

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Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name: NAMIBIA PROJECT

Registered charity number: 1163681

Charity’s principal address: Carvossa,
Bowden Rise,
Seaford
East Sussex
BN25 2HZ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office
Mr Martin Rivers	Chair
Ms Wendy Brandse	Secretary/Food Security at I!Khuta!hoas
Mr Rijn Brandse	Treasurer
Mrs Ann Brandse	Education, Scholarships and Compliance
Mr Peter Arnold	Clean Water and Sanitation
Mrs Tasha Arnold	Fundraising and Events
Mrs Sue Lowe	Fundraising and Events
Mr Samuel Phillipson	Promoting the I!Khuta!hoas School Garden
Mrs Ilaria Regondi Nikitin	Non-Executive Trustee
Mr Vadim Nikitin	Media and Communications
Dr. Andreas Elombo	Scholarship Student Mentor
Ms Issy Adamopoulos	Student Team Advisor and Support

Advisor	Name	Address
Local Business Bank Manager	Ms Beki Bolton	Metro Bank 70, Arndale Centre Terminus Rd Eastbourne BN21 3NW

Independent Examiner

Mr Robert Scrivins BA(Hons)
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East Sussex BN7 1UP

Solicitor

Mrs Lucy Robinson FCILEx

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11 Hyde Gardens,
Eastbourne
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The trustees present herewith their report and the Trust's financial statements for the year ended 30th June 2023.

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Structure, Governance and Management

Type of Governing Document

Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees.

Date of the Constitution (last amended) 7th January 2016

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Trustee selection methods.

Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in March. However the reappointment of trustees in 2023 will be deferred until an Annual General Meeting in August after decisions about the future direction of the Namibia Project Partnership with ACS Cobham International School. It has been necessary to survey the trustees about changes which need to be made following the postponement of the ACS students' summer trips to Namibia, due to the impact of the Covid 19 restrictions. The student trip to Namibia will be reinstated in the summer of 2024 and the position of the Student Representatives co-opted by invitation could be reinstated in 2024.

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There is a child protection policy in place.

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OVERVIEW of the Namibia Project.

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Trustees' consideration of significant risks and the system and procedures to manage the risks, protect the assets (reputation) and people.

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3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



WHAT WE DID:

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In 2023 we received a donation of Blankets for the children in the IIKhuta!hoas School hostel from an initiative driven by some Middle School children at ACS International School Cobham.

4 QUALITY EDUCATION



WHAT WE DID:

Educational Supplies and Support.

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THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN.

THE NAMIBIA PROJECT'S UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME - January 2019 - April 2023

The Charity's tertiary education scholarship students have successfully completed their four year degree courses in 2023.

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The Namibia Project during this year has been moving through a momentous transition whilst at the same time it has been able to continue to perform its primary objectives. Within those objectives we have further supported the orphans and vulnerable children at I!Khuta!hoas Primary School and we have enjoyed the success of our two university scholarship students who have graduated from The University of Namibia and Namibia University with degrees in Education and Economics and Engineering and Electrical Power. The Trustees are immensely proud of both Irmgard Ndumba and Oliver Shirunda. I know they will move on to great things.

I have been privileged to act as Chair of the Trust and be able to say that the above has been achieved given the difficulties of the last three years as the world suffered through the health crisis.

We have worked to keep to our charity objectives, and I can report that the Trustees have enabled us to deliver on our core objectives with the resources we have been able to deploy. That is and will remain extremely important for the new Trustee Board moving into next year.

The momentous transition I have mentioned is all about changes to our Trustee Board. I am stepping down as Chair with a mixture of sadness, and pride. Since 2016 we have been committed to our Objectives and in so many ways we have delivered on those, but we know there is more to achieve. The new Trustee Board will take forward a new energy and I am sure will succeed in areas that will stay within the boundaries of our Objectives. I have enormous confidence in that.

My thanks are to all the Trustees but especially to those Trustees who will leave the Charity this year. They have given incredible support and expertise throughout our existence as a Charity and for a long period before we were formally incorporated. I cannot underestimate how much they have invested time, energy, experience into the Namibia Project and their efforts have been instrumental in particularly keeping those vulnerable children at Il Kuta!hoas in a place that is undoubtedly better than it might have been. Special mention to Ann and Rijn Brandse who have been incredible and without them everything we have achieved would never have happened. My own thanks to them cannot be quantified. Their force of nature will I know continue until they do step down from the Trust but will also be there for the future.

Looking forward the Trust will continue to develop our partnership with ACS School, and I know that all collaboration will work for both the Trust and ACS. My thanks to them for their invaluable support and commitment which is and has been so beneficial to us. Our relationship is permanent and can move in the same direction, I have so much confidence in a new Trustee Board to make sure that happens and I know that is reciprocal.

Again, I would like to thank all the Trustees past and present who have supported me in my role, I truly appreciate you all.

Martin Rivers
Chair Namibia Project

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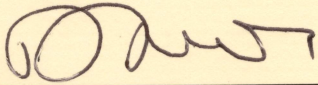
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Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature: _____



Full Name: Martin Rivers

Position: Chair

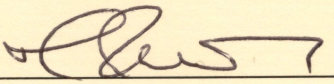
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Statement of Financial Activity for the Year Ended 30th June 2023

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INCOME	1			
Donations		13,029	17,114	4,777
Fundraising events		0	15,095	15,480
Total income		13,029	32,209	20,257
EXPENDITURE	2			
Charitable activities		24,685	31,388	27,451
Raising funds		0	0	0
Total expenditure		24,685	31,388	27,451
Net movement of funds		13,623	13,958	7,194
Net funds brought forward		14,917	28,875	36,069
Total funds carried forward		1,294	14,917	28,875
CURRENT ASSETS		2023	2022	2021
Debtors		0	0	16,283
Cash at bank and in hand		1,294	14,917	14,358
		1,294	14,917	30,641
Creditors				
Amounts falling due within one year	5	0	0	1,766
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,294	14,917	28,875

Signature: 

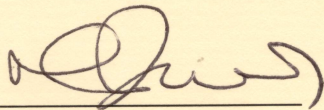
Full Name: Martin Rivers
Position: Chair

**NAMIBIA PROJECT
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30TH JUNE 2023**

	Note	2023	2022
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors		0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,294</u>	<u>14,917</u>
		1,294	14,917
Creditors:	5	0	0
Amounts falling due within one year			
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,294	14,917
RESERVES			
Unrestricted funds		<u>1,294</u>	<u>14,917</u>

Approved by the trustees On 7th August 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Signature: _____



Full Name: Martin Rivers
Position: Chair

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

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Income for the year comprises donations and income from fundraising.

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Unrestricted Funds: these are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

2. EXPENDITURE

Charitable activities

	2023 £	2022 £	2021 £
Namibia school expenses	9,394	28,926	24,072
Scholarship Students	15,336	-	-
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-
Bank Charges	500	500	860
Postage and stationery	73	189	98
Sundry expenses	26	15	52
Media costs	110	-	611
Accountancy fees	-	1,758	1,758
	25,439	31,388	27,451

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The Namibia Project falls below the tax threshold.

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

£3,123.80 of expenses were reimbursed to trustees in the year, no remuneration was paid to any of the trustees during the year.

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022	2021
Accruals	-	-	1,766

6. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1st July 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance 30th June 2023 £
Unrestricted funds	14,917	12,257	(25,880)	1,294

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS (Prior Year)

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NAMIBIA PROJECT

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Summary of the main accomplishments of the charity during the year 2021-2022

As a result of Covid-19 pandemic the charity reduced the goals to three top priorities.

SDG 2. Zero Hunger and Food Security, **SDG 3.** Good Health and Well Being, **SDG 4.** Quality Education.



PRIORITISING KEY OUTCOMES for the Partnership with I!KHUTA!HOAS PRIMARY SCHOOL.

KEY OUTCOMES - WHAT WE DID and WHY WE DID IT.



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techniques in the Northern and Southern hemisphere schools was curtailed due to the pandemic restrictions.

3 GOOD HEALTH
AND WELL-BEING



WHAT WE DID:

Supplied Mattresses and Blankets

In 2021 we purchased Blankets and Mattresses for the children in the I!Khutalhoas School hostel.

4 QUALITY
EDUCATION



WHAT WE DID:

Educational Supplies and Support.

We purchased stationery and office supplies

THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN.

NEWS FROM OUR UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS IN WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA

Our scholarship students are currently in their final year of a four year degree course. Oliver Shirunda is reading for a Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Power Engineering. Irmgard Ndumba is reading for a Bachelor of Education (Honours) in Accounting and Economics.

Dr Andreas Elombo, the Namibia Project Trustee and Student Mentor meets regularly with our scholarship students to check on their progress and introduce them to outdoor pursuits and new culinary experiences.

The contribution made by volunteers

Our volunteers had to resort to virtual fundraising due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the school lockdowns. These initiatives were supported by the trustees, ACS families and friends and the ACS Partnership Director.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN.

Financial Review

The financial objectives of the charity remain to raise sufficient income each year to cover the grants and expenditure for the year.

The trustees wish to retain a level of reserves to cover costs and grants in the event of a shortfall in income.

The trustees are of the view that the trust is a going concern.

NAMIBIA PROJECT AGM and the CHAIR'S REPORT 2021-2022

We had guidance from the Charity Commission about remotely holding the AGM and confirming the trustee board for 2022 – 2023.

Chair Report for the Namibia Project Annual General Meeting on 9th May 2022

Welcome to the AGM for the Namibia Project.

As always I feel my primary role in opening the meeting, is to thank wholeheartedly my fellow Trustees for the tireless and invaluable contribution to the cause and our core aspirations.

Firstly, a big thank you for a departing Trustee in Lolly Adamopoulos. Lolly is an inspirational character and her efforts as a Parent and Trustee to the Namibia Project cannot be underestimated.

My thanks go out to Wendy for the hard work she puts into keeping the Trust running as smoothly as it does and keeping the Trustees in line.

Rijn for the stewardship of our finances which takes a considerable amount of time and effort and especially in these testing financial times. His accuracy and accounting knowledge are invaluable.

Ann Brandse for the sheer force of character and personality to provide the drive and real information flow with ideas and updates with the Newsletters which are crucial to the efforts of the Trust.

Many thanks to our other Trustees, Tasha, Peter, Sue, Sam and the Nikitin family who are so very committed to everything that we are attempting to do in our aims and core drivers.

At the time of writing I am hoping that we will be welcoming Carol Jourdan who is willing to become a Trustee as she has a unique position in helping our constantly evolving links to ACS.

My sincere thanks go out to Andreas Elombo who has been an amazing Mentor for our two students in the University Scholarship Programme which as we can see from their progress has been a great success.

Special mention also goes out to Graeme Lawrie who continues to be an exceptional promotor, counsel and wonderful help in many ways to the Trust.

To all of our kind Donor's and supporters, thank you so very much as without that support we would be unable to provide any of the resources to continue to provide help and assistance to any of our Namibia Project aims.

Thank You.

Martin Rivers
Chair Namibia Project

FUTURE PLANS

Past and Current Activities

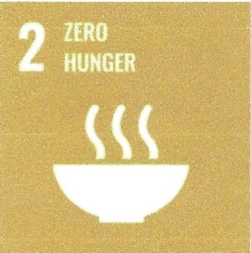
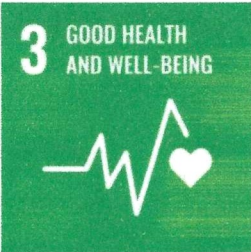
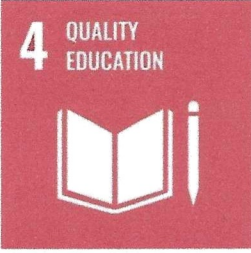
Governance: In 2020 the charity adopted the Charity Governance Code and assessment template to help the trustees to develop high standards of governance. The process was deferred during the lockdown and will be reinstated in November 2022.

The National Council for Voluntary Organisations accepted the Namibia Project charity as a member. (NCVO) The trustees will have access to the Know-how Non-profit site and a suite of tools, model documents and guidance on compliance.

Sustainable Development Goals and Costs 2022 – 2023.

The financial viability and sustainability of the Namibia Project will be restored now that covid restrictions have been lifted and the charity is able to work with the ACS student team.

The 'Night for Namibia' fundraising dinner and auction is scheduled for Spring 2023.

SDG Goals	I!Khuta!hoas	Dr Alpo	NaDEET
 <p>SDG 2: Zero Hunger</p>	<p>Supplementary food supplies for the OVC's +/- Senior Soup kitchen supplies Cost: £2200 three times a year</p>		
 <p>SDG 3: Good Health and Well Being</p>	<p>Provide first aid supplies for the school/community Cost: £1500</p>	<p>Provide solar lights for learners without electricity. Cost: £50 each</p>	
 <p>SDG 4: Quality Education</p>	<p>1. Class set of books for a Grade Level. (35 learners) Cost: £3000</p> <p>2. Celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee linked to a tree planting project and compost making initiative with the ACS Early Childhood Garden, NaDEET and the school garden at I!Khuta!hoas. Cost: £850</p>		<p>1. Sponsor a class (40 learners) at the NaDEET centre for a week. Cost: £2800</p> <p>2. Co-sponsor a 2 year teacher training programme to support the teaching of ESD (Educational for Sustainable Development) Cost: £95 per person.</p> <p>3. Purchase Camel Thorn Trees for the linking project Cost: tbc</p>


Namibia Project Newsletter – May 2022

<https://www.namibiaproject.org.uk/post/namibia-project-newsletter-may-2022>

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature: 

Full Name: Martin Rivers


Position: Chairman

Date: 9/9/22

Treasurer's report on the accounts
Report to the trustees/members of the Namibia Project
On accounts for the year ended 30th June 2022.

Statement of Financial Activity for the Year Ended 30th June 2022

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Unrestricted funds 2022</u>	<u>Unrestricted funds 2021</u>	<u>Unrestricted funds 2020</u>
		£	£	£
INCOME				
Donations	1	17,114	4,777	294
Fundraising events		15,095	15,480	0
Total income		32,209	20,257	294
EXPENDITURE				
Charitable activities	2	31,388	27,451	50,693
Raising funds		0	0	6,271
Total expenditure		31,388	27,451	56,964
Net Movement in funds		13,958	7,194	56,670
Total funds brought forward		28,875	36,069	92,739
Total funds carried forward		14,917	28,875	36,069
	<u>Note</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors		0	16,283	380
Cash at bank and in hand		14,917	14,358	38,123
		14,917	30,641	38,503
Creditors:				
Amounts falling due within one year	5	0	1,766	2,434
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		14,917	28,875	36,069


MARTIN RIVERS
 Trustee

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Volunteer expenses	-	-	64
Bank Charges	500	860	600
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Sundry expenses	15	52	250
Media costs	-	611	1014
Accountancy fees	1,758	1,758	1,758
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3 TAXATION

The Namibia Project falls below the tax threshold.

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£105 of expenses were reimbursed to a trustee in the year, no remuneration was paid to any of the trustees during the year.

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Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main accomplishments of the charity during the year 2020-21.
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PRIORITISING KEY OUTCOMES for the Partnership with IIKHUTA!HOAS PRIMARY SCHOOL.

KEY OUTCOMES - WHAT WE DID and WHY WE DID IT.

2 ZERO HUNGER



WHAT WE DID:

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3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



WHAT WE DID:

First Aid Supplies

In 2020 we purchased First Aid supplies for IIKhuta!hoas School and the Community and provided more blankets and linen for the hostel.

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WHAT WE DID:



Educational Supplies and Support.

We purchased a class set of books for Khuta!hoas Grade Seven learners. They received books for English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Natural Science, Elementary Agriculture and Local Language books

THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN.

Scanned notes from the Grade 7 learners at lIKhuta!hoas Primary School.

I am feeling so good for the books and textbooks which we got. We will have time to read additional information linking to the topic taught. Thank you very much
Johannes Frederick

I am excited for the chance to study at home. That's great!
Rachel Witbooi

I am feeling so good to get textbooks so that when the teacher is teaching we will be following and reading for ourselves after school and understand better. Thank You
Dencia Kaoe

NEWS FROM OUR UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS IN WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA

We are delighted to report that OLIVER S. SHIRUNDA received the Best Second Year Student Award, Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Power Engineering NQF 8 at a Merit Award Ceremony at the Namibia University for Science and Technology.

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TRUSTEES Lolly Adamopoulos, Tasha Arnold and Rijn Brandse for volunteering to host individual virtual events.

Graeme Lawrie for his encouragement and support and for enabling the Namibia Project to use the ACS JustGiving Platform to raise our profile and much needed funds for our Projects in Namibia.

Andrew Brandse for his ProBono work on the videos, website and MailChimp posts

Wendy Brandse for her work on updating the database.

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STATISTICS FOR THE NAMIBIA PROJECTS MOVE INTO VIRTUAL FUNDRAISING

Virtual Event	Raised	Gift Aid	No. of Sponsors	TARGET
Global Night for Namibia	£12,435.15	£1,512.50	32	£10,000
Sponsor a Child	£1,843.37	£113.18	11	£12,750
100 Mile Cycle Challenge	£3,634	£305.00	36	£4,000

THIS WAS THE DIFFERENCE WHICH WE WERE ABLE TO MAKE.

£17,976 raised thanks to over 81 generous people

Our partnership with ACS International School, Cobham has helped us to reach
150 learners, 2 university scholarship students and 10 teachers.

To date we have paid for:

Food supplies for 150 orphans and vulnerable children and supported the senior citizen's soup kitchen at IlKhuta!hoas Primary School

We purchased a class set of books for the Grade Seven learners in English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Natural Science, Elementary Agriculture and local language books.

Blankets and sheets for 20+ children in the hostel.

NAMIBIA PROJECT
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

Financial Review

The financial objectives of the charity remain to raise sufficient income each year to cover the grants and expenditure for the year.

The trustees wish to retain a level of reserves to cover the costs and grants in the event of a shortfall in income.

The trustees are of the view that the trust is a going concern.

NAMIBIA PROJECT AGM and the CHAIR'S REPORT 2020-21

We had guidance from the Charity Commission about remotely holding the AGM and confirming the trustee board 2021-22.

Chair Report for the Namibia Project Annual General Meeting on 10th May 2021

Welcome to the AGM for The Namibia Project.

I have many thank you's to make as part of this report because we have all been through such challenging times during the continuing Covid Pandemic.

I would like to start by thanking Graeme Lawrie from ACS whose energy, experience, ideas and sheer volume of proactiveness has been the cornerstone of the strength of the Charity's links to ACS. The ideas and use of his extensive contacts has been invaluable.

I also pay tribute to Wendy Brandse who has been so efficient in managing and organising the Trustees, meetings and producing Minutes and making sure we operate to the highest standards with complete transparency.

Rijn Brandse for his stewardship of the Trust finances and especially in making sure we have successfully mapped a path through the impact of Covid. Rijn has worked tirelessly to maintain our finances and complete all of our regulatory requirement. He does this consummately and provides accurate and timely information which is appreciated by all of us.

Ann Brandse for her tireless and restless determination to keep the Trust aspirations in all of our thinking and utilising her enormous powers of persuasion in all things that would appear difficult.

For my other fellow Trustees: Peter, Tasha, Sam, Sue, Lolly and Vadim your support and efforts are very much appreciated so thank you very.

This year has been very difficult and we have had to pause many of our projects and ensure that our core commitments are supported and I am very glad to say we have achieved that.

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Over the course of this next year we anticipate re activating those projects as best we can and within the environment that we all hope will come back to normal. Our aim will be to regain lost ground and continue to achieve outcomes for the vulnerable children we seek to help.

Martin Rivers
Chair Namibia Project. 10th May 2021.

FUTURE PLANS

Past and Current Activities

Governance: In 2020 the charity adopted the Charity Governance Code and assessment template to help the trustees to develop high standards of governance. The process was deferred during the lockdown and will be reinstated in October 2021.

The National Council for Voluntary Organisations accepted the Namibia Project charity as a member. (NCVO) The trustees will have access to the Know-how Non-profit site and a suite of tools, model documents and guidance on compliance.

THE NAMIBIA PROJECT has registered with the Stephen Hawking Foundation for access to educational resources designed to promote critical thinking and provide reliable, well-sourced information to help school-age students and their families to make informed decisions about vaccinations. The materials are in use in more than 1000 schools in the UK, have been endorsed by the National Education Union and have been downloaded by schools in more than 30 countries.
Find out more here: <https://stephenhawkingfoundation.org/vaccines/>

In 2022 we would like to support the **Teaching of ESD (Education for Sustainable Development) at NaDEET.**

NaDEET is a founding permanent member of the Namibian Environmental Educational Network (NEEN) and they are mandated to advise and support the implementation of the National EE/ESD Policy for schools in Namibia.

The Namibia Project, the ACS students and IiKhuta!hoas School have benefitted from partnership with NaDEET. When things return “to normal” and our fundraising improves we will look forward to linking the “Tree Planting Project and Compost Making Initiatives” with the ACS Early Childhood Garden, NaDEET and IiKhuta!hoas Primary School.

The Namibia Project should also consider:

1. Co-Sponsoring a 2 year teacher training programme to teach ESD = £70 per person.
2. Sending a school class to the NaDEET centre for a week = £2,501.

Raspberry Pi “Lab in a Box.” When the time is right and our fundraising returns we should look into supporting a “Raspberry Pi project for a Namibian School. Darren Siseman (ACT Systems and a Friend of Namibia) could train the ACS student expedition team to implement this ”Raspberry Pi Lab in a Box” initiative and it would also give the ACS students a STEAM research opportunity.

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Declaration

Under the Charities Act 2011, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of its incoming resources and application of resources in the year. In preparing the statement, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the statement of account.
- prepare the financial statements on the 'going concern' basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

The trustees are responsible for causing the keeping of proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity at that time and to enable the trustees to ensure that any statement of account prepared by them complies with the regulations under section 42(1) of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

All the above duties have been carried out with due diligence.

Signed on behalf of the trustees

Signature

Martin Rivers

Position: Chair

Date: 10 November 2021

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF**

NAMIBIA PROJECT

I report on the financial statements of the Trust for the year ended 30th June 2021, which are set out on pages 11 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the financial statements did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the financial statements 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 financial statements give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

D R Scrivins BA FCA CTA TEP DChA
Chartered Accountant
Clark Brownscombe
2 St Andrews Place
Lewes
East Sussex

Date: 11 November 2021

NAMIBIA PROJECT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £
INCOME			
Donations	1	4,777	294
Fundraising events		<u>15,480</u>	-
Total income		<u>20,257</u>	<u>294</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Charitable activities	2	27,451	50,693
Raising funds		-	<u>6,271</u>
Total expenditure		<u>27,451</u>	<u>56,964</u>
Net movement in funds		(7,194)	(56,670)
Total funds brought forward		<u>36,069</u>	<u>92,739</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>28,875</u>	<u>36,069</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

NAMIBIA PROJECT
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30TH JUNE 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors		16,283	380
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>14,358</u>	<u>38,123</u>
		30,641	38,503
Creditors:			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	<u>(1,766)</u>	<u>(2,434)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>28,875</u>	<u>36,069</u>
RESERVES			
Unrestricted funds		<u>28,875</u>	<u>36,069</u>

Approved by the trustees on 10 November 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

MARTIN RIVERS

Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS 102, effective 1 January 2015), hereafter referred to as the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern as recorded in the Trustees report.

Income

Income for the year comprises donations and income from fundraising.

Expenditure

Expenses are stated in the statement of financial activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of VAT which cannot be recovered.

The main categories of expenditure are:-

- Charitable activity expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.
- Costs of raising funds are fundraising costs.
- Support costs are allocated over the above categories as appropriate.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted Funds: these are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

2. EXPENDITURE

Charitable activities

	2021	2020
	£	£
Namibia school expenses	24,072	46,705
Volunteer expenses	-	64
Bank charges	860	600
Postage and stationery	98	302
Sundry expenses	52	250
Media costs	611	1,014
Accountancy fees	<u>1,758</u>	<u>1,758</u>
	<u>27,451</u>	<u>50,693</u>

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3. TAXATION

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

£1,558 of expenses was reimbursed to a trustee in the year, no remuneration was paid to any of the trustees during the year.

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals	<u>1,766</u>	<u>2,434</u>

6. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1st July 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance at 30th June 2021 £
Unrestricted funds	<u>36,069</u>	<u>20,257</u>	<u>(27,451)</u>	<u>28,875</u>

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS (Prior Year)

	Balance at 1st July 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance at 30th June 2020 £
Unrestricted funds	<u>92,739</u>	<u>294</u>	<u>(56,964)</u>	<u>36,069</u>