



CHARITY NUMBER 1163681

NAMIBIA PROJECT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2025

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

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Our Mission

“Creating Life Chances”

The Namibia Project works to reverse the adverse impact that poverty has on children’s lives and future. Through sponsorship, access to education and by meeting the basic welfare needs the Namibia Project improves the lives and opportunities of orphans and vulnerable children in Namibia.

Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name: NAMIBIA PROJECT

Registered charity number: 1163681

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

Names of the charity trustees who managed the charity for the transitional period:

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) FCA CTA DChA TE	Clark Brownscombe St Andrews Place Southover Road Lewes. East Sussex BN7 1UP
Solicitor	Mrs Lucy Robinson FCILEx	Charity Law Department. Lawson Lewis Blakers 11 Hyde Gardens, Eastbourne East Sussex BN21 4PP

The trustees present herewith their report and the Trust's financial statements for the year ended 30th June 2025.

The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, and the Statement Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS 102).

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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

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS 102)

Trustee selection methods.

Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting. Upon election, each new trustee receives an induction pack including a range of key organisational policies and documents plus William MacAskill's book "Doing Good Better."

Additional Governance issues.

There is a child protection policy in place.

Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks are carried out before the commencement of trusteeship. All meetings continue to take place by Zoom.

OVERVIEW of the Namibia Project.

The Namibia Project started at ACS International School Cobham in 1998 to provide a student learning experience for 20 students and two teachers. Fundraising events were held throughout the year, and during the summer the student team went on an expedition to Namibia, for four weeks to visit and work on the Projects at our partner schools in Namibia.

In September 2015 the Namibia Project CIO was registered with the Charity Commission. The trustees were elected from a diverse group of people who have a real understanding of the needs to be met as they had either worked at ACS or gone to Namibia as part of the Project.

Since 1998, under the stewardship of Ann and Rijn Brandse, 433 students from ACS Cobham International School 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.

In January 2024 Ann and Rijn Brandse verbally resigned from the Namibia Project board of trustees and gave an undertaking that they would support the Namibia Project charity in a non-executive capacity.

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

The Risk Register Framework includes safeguards to prevent fraud and to reduce the risk of misuse of personal data (GDPR) plus a child protection policy.

The trustees are satisfied that these and all other risks in the register are adequately assessed and that appropriate steps are taken to mitigate risk.

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 IlKhuta!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 Iikhuta!hoas Primary School and beyond.

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 IIKHUTA!HOAS PRIMARY SCHOOL.
	KEY OUTCOMES - WHAT WE DID and WHY WE DID IT.
	WHAT WE DID: We improved the Food Security at Iikhuta!hoas Primary School by purchasing protein-rich foods for the Orphans and Vulnerable Children, in the hostel.
	WHAT WE DID: Educational Supplies and Support. We purchased stationery and office supplies

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, Karas 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 I!Khuta!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 I!Khuta!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 I!Khuta!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!

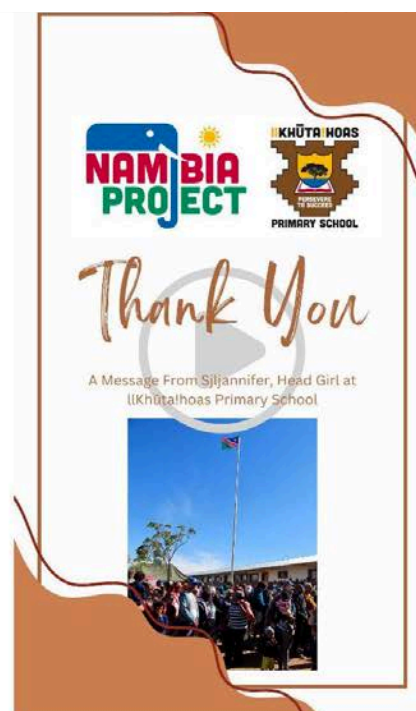


Your generosity also enabled the emergency purchase of £475 worth of stationery, so that everyone at Iikhūta!hoas could start the school year equipped with the basic tools for learning.

“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: _____

Full Name: Ilaria Regondi
Position: Chair

**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: _____

Full Name: Ilaria Regondi
Position: Chair

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