

Rory's Well Annual Report 31 October 2020

Rory's Well is a life-giving charity working sensitively and co-operatively within rural Sierra Leone, empowering local people and transferring skills for future independence ... "helping those in need to help themselves in a truly sustainable way"

Our 5th year as a registered charity has been a year of 2 halves, before and after COVID.

Until April 2020 we operated normally fund raising, supporting our partner PAD-SL to continue to maintain and extend our village regeneration initiatives in rural Sierra Leone (SL) and visiting SL as Trustees to ensure progress.

Once the immediate impact of COVID became apparent we revised our plans as income was deferred and fund raising events cancelled. We diverted our energies and those of our supporters to the immediate impact of COVID in our area of operation. Our COVID appeal ensured that the 50 villages we support were supplied with rice to stave off famine as a consequence of eating their seed rice whilst in lockdown.

We also prioritised provision of clean water and supplied sanitation equipment and managed to maintain our commitment to new and existing villages that were part of our farming programme with support for bee farming, Inland Valley Swamp rice growing and Women's upland farming. Our plans to market our honey commercially in SL were thwarted by COVID to some extent but again with re-planning we reshaped our ambitions to keep things afloat.

This meant we had to dip into our reserves which is why the expenditure exceeds income in this year. We did this in the knowledge that grants agreed would be honoured but in a different time frame.

When things stabilised in terms of COVID we experienced another tragedy. We lost one of our co founders to cancer. Tony Evans had been the driving force behind many initiatives but particularly the introduction of Agroforestry (inga Alley Cropping). We have managed to reshape this programme to ensure the investment in previous years - introducing and planting Inga orchards and a demo farm were protected and found another champion to take the initiative forward.

So despite a very difficult year we have managed, in conjunction with our partners, to honour all of our commitments to the communities we support and continue to work within the values and commitments we hold dear.

Indeed COVID has made us focus on greater empowerment, succession planning and sustainability in both UK and SL. We have introduced technology for remote monitoring, have introduced ground breaking Monitoring and Evaluation techniques (QuIP) and our Carbon Life Balancing scheme which links investment in our agroforestry farming programme to positive environmental impact, and finished the year in a very stable position.

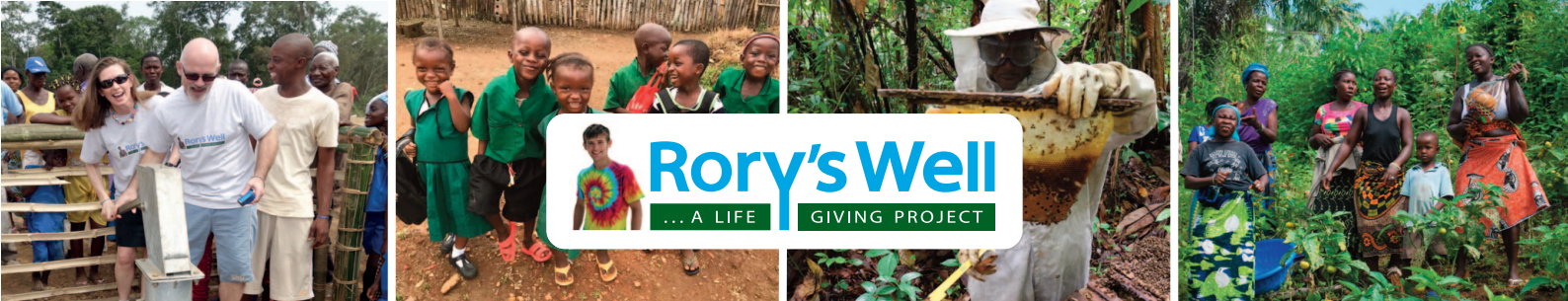
As of Nov 2020 we are supporting clean water and sustainable farming, for nutrition and livelihood, changing the lives of thousands of people in a sustainable way. Our programme covers a full suite of life giving initiatives to regenerate communities and land working in conjunction with many trusted partners in the following areas:

Clean Water . Sustainable Farming . Livelihood . Training & Education . Bee Framing . Carbon Life Balancing

Details and impact of our programme in over 50 villages in South East Sierra Leone can be found on the website roryswell.org

For more information about **Rory's Well** visit: **www.roryswell.org**

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Rory's Well

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st October 2020 on pages 1 to 2.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking 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 accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent examiner's qualified statement

In connection with my examination, no material matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect,
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
 - the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charity (accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

From the accounting records I have seen, the accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act. For the purposes of these accounts, reliance has been placed on the representations received from the Trustees of the Charity.

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 accounts to be reached.

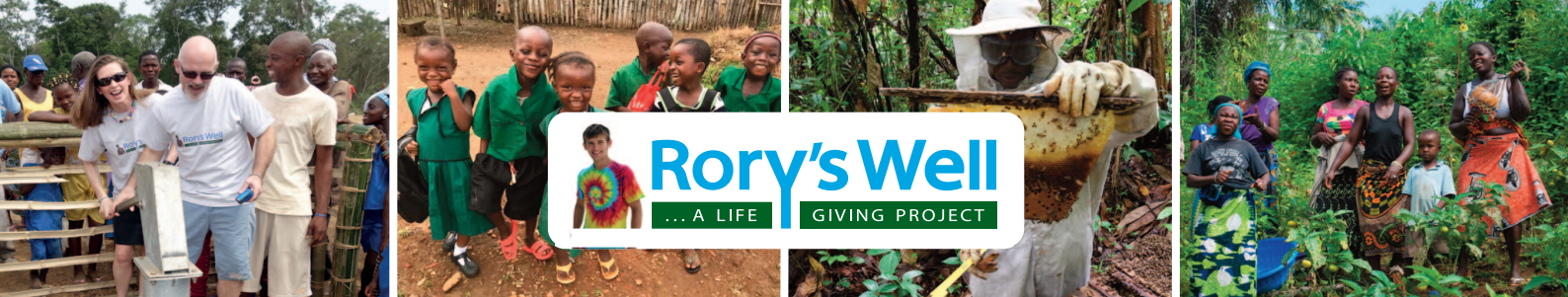
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Date: 17th February 2022

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/11/2019	To	31/10/2020
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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					
Fundraising Activities					
Amazon Smile	26	-	-	26	-
Sale of Christmas Trees	3,591	-	-	3,591	4,115
Events	-	-	-	-	1,142
Voluntary Income					
General Donations	22,777	11,114	-	33,891	29,476
Community Events	428	-	-	428	3,819
Schools and Colleges	670	-	-	670	2,276
Corporate Sponsors	11,438	500	-	11,938	6,680
Charitable Trusts	-	-	-	-	21,100
Gift Aid Claimed	7,902	-	-	7,902	3,680
Ghana Project	-	-	-	-	531
Charity Donations	1,272	8,105	-	9,377	18,279
Three Villages Project	-	-	-	-	2,563
Other Income					
Gola Rainforest Contract	890	-	-	890	3,090
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	48,994	19,719	-	68,713	96,751
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	48,994	19,719	-	68,713	96,751
A3 Payments					
Purchase of Xmas Trees	2,184	-	-	2,184	2,501
Event Costs	-	-	-	-	-
Overheads	1,355	-	-	1,355	683
Project Costs	57,404	14,184	-	71,588	71,229
Gola Rainforest Contract	-	-	-	-	2,730
Sub total	60,943	14,184	-	75,127	77,143
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	60,943	14,184	-	75,127	77,143
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 11,949	5,535	-	- 6,414	19,608
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,541	-	-	22,541	2,933
Cash funds this year end	10,592.00	5,535.00	-	16,127	22,541



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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	Bank Account	10,592	5,535	-
	Cash	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	10,592	5,535	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Karen Binns	18/02/22
	Neil Brent	18/02/22