



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/09/2022 **Period start date** **To** 31/08/2023 **Period end date**

Charity name: Umoja Street Child Trust

Charity registration number: 1168734

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Umoja Street Child Trust is a UK based charity which exists to support, fund and facilitate the work of the Umoja Boys Rescue Centre (UBRC) in Kwale, Kenya. The UBRC in turn exists to rescue, rehabilitate and restore street boys in Kenya.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Umoja exists to Rescue, Rehabilitate and Restore street children in Kenya; as part of that process we also care for them at every stage, and enable the boys to either access education (by sending them to school) or we provide education on site.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Absolutely. There is no doubt that the work that we do is of public benefit; it benefits the boys, their families and Kenyan society.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Umoja benefits greatly from the voluntary work performed by its trustees who are vital to the ongoing work of the charity. Furthermore, the work, support and generosity of our supporters is vital to the work that we are able to do. Without the voluntary work and the generosity of our supporters Umoja could not continue to exist.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	In the 8 years of its existence Umoja have rescued numerous boys from the dangerous life that they previously had on the street. Many have been reconciled to their families and others have been provided with a safe environment at the Umoja Boys Rescue Centre, whilst receiving education, food, clothing, love and care.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Our objectives have consistently been met. Children are being rescued, rehabilitated and restored to their families by the work of the USRC team.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising has largely been successful and thankfully we have always had sufficient funds to fulfil our core purposes. We have had considerable success in organising fundraising events, however persuading UK donors to become committed and regular givers remains a challenge. The recent COVID pandemic also adversely affected our ability to run fundraising events but, with the easing of the pandemic, such

		events are being restarted.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	We do not invest money. All money raised is used to facilitate the running of the UBRC.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	1.21 Full details of the financial transactions are contained in the attached accounts. The total incoming receipts for the year were £61,950 and after deducting payments of £59,794, the overall year end position and net balance of 2,156.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity's reserve policy is to hold sufficient funds in reserve to enable the charity to operate for a period of three months if no other funds were available.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£2156
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	The charity's reserve policy is to hold sufficient funds in reserve to enable the charity to operate for a period of three months if no other funds were available.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	There is no financial deficit.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	We have no concerns about the charity continuing as a going concern.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Our principle sources of funding are our supporters. They raise money for Umoja in two main ways. 1. By organising fundraising events. 2. By supporters committing themselves to regular committed giving.
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Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	As stated above we do not invest money.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risk faced by the charity is dwindling support from our supporters. We mitigate against this through good communication with our supporters and by organising regular events that both raise funds, but that also enable our supporters to reenergise their vision for our work.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Umoja Street Child Trust is an unincorporated Trust.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Potential trustees may approach the board of trustees and put themselves forward. But more typically a Board member will propose to the board of Trustees that an approach be made to a suitable candidate. If the Board are in agreement then the selected trustee will approach the person, who will outline the role, and invite them to attend a Trustees meeting as an observer. Following that meeting the Board will discuss the skills of the candidate and, if the majority agree, invite the candidate to submit a CV. The Chair of Trustees and one other trustee will then interview the candidate and make a recommendation to the Board. If the majority of Trustees approve then the candidate will be invited to join the Board of Trustees for a fixed term on three years. However they will serve a 6 month probation when either side may end the agreement if the appointment is not working out.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	All trustees are encouraged to make use of training opportunities provided by the Charity Commission and by other organisations. We also liaise with other similar charities and enable Trustees to meet trustees of those other charities and so to learn from them.
The charity's		Our Board consists of the Director, the Chair of Trustees and three

organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	other trustees at present. We are always on the lookout for new trustees.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Umoja Street Child Trust is a UK based charity which exists to support, fund and facilitate the work of the Umoja Boys Rescue Centre (UBRC) in Kwale, Kenya. The UBRC in turn exists to rescue, rehabilitate and restore street boys in Kenya.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Umoja Street Child Trust
Other name the charity uses	Umoja Boys
Registered charity number	1168734
Charity's principal address	This is the Director's address, where all meetings are held: 13 Grange Gardens London SE25 6DL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Hannah Wickings	Director and Trustee	2016 to present	Y
2	Luke Wickings	Chair of Trustees	2016 to present	Y
3	Sophia Mutio	Trustee	2016 to present	Y
4	Sarah Grier	Trustee	2017 to present	Y
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

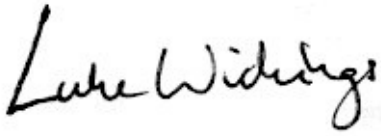
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Luke Iden Wickings	
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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair,
etc)

Chair of Trustees	
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Date

23.06.23

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Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Hannah Grace Wickings	
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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair,
etc)

Director	
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Date

23.06.23
