



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

1st October 2021 to 30th September 2022

Charity name: Well-Being (Sri Lanka)

Charity registration number: 1169468

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>A) The prevention or relief of poverty and the preservation and protection of health particularly through the improvement of water supplies and sanitation in Sri Lanka</p> <p>B) To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of Sri Lanka in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society.</p>
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	<p>In the past years the primary task of the Charity has been to provide wells for families who were displaced by the war between Government forces and the Tamil Tigers. Many of these families found themselves without a breadwinner through death or disability. Many were re-settled in the Wanni area of northern Sri Lanka, in rudimentary housing but without water supplies. It is these families we try to help.</p> <p>Most wells are built from scratch, but in some cases, we repair or secure a well which has been dug but not reinforced or without safety barriers, leaving them as serious hazards to both children and livestock.</p> <p>Families are selected in a non-discriminatory manner. Those families who are most in need, invariably where the main breadwinner was maimed or killed during the civil war are reviewed with the input of District Council staff, local church representatives and community leaders to place them in priority order.</p>

		<p>As well as for personal use, the supply of fresh water can be utilised for irrigating smallholdings producing fruit and vegetables for personal consumption and for sale in local markets.</p> <p>This process builds self-respect among families who have had to rely purely on charity to survive since the end of the civil war. Our consistent support and oversight of this project over many years has given others the confidence to add their support. This has led to significant donations being made direct to the project team in Sri Lanka. The number of wells quoted in this report are a result of total funds from all sources donated to the Sri Lankan project team for the construction of wells.</p> <p>During the year Well- Being has diversified its activities to support poverty reduction projects in other areas of Sri Lanka in addition the to the activities in the Northern Province.</p> <p>Well-Being financially supported the Methodist Church Sri Lanka with their programme titled, "The Samaritan Journey". The Methodist Church in Sri Lanka through, "The Samaritan Journey" programme provided relief to the most severely affected families including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provision of some basic food requirements and medicines. 2. Improve the educational facilities for students. 3. Support home cultivation of vegetables
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>In planning our activities for the Charity's seventh year of operation, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the guidance on public benefit from the Charities Commission.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	<p>The charity has not made any grants in the past.</p> <p>However, Trustees have discussed the need for Well Being activities being extended beyond construction of water wells and make grants to other activities to alleviate poverty and create sustainable livelihoods.</p>
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	<p>The Trustees have discussed that in the forthcoming years, Well Being should encourage and provide financial support to projects that will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Enable food production by local communities to confront food poverty by production of rice and vegetables.2. Providing basic sanitation facilities to families in plantation areas
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>The charity has no paid employees. The charity raises funds from the Trustees, and their friends and contacts. All work in raising funds is undertaken by the Trustees acting in voluntary capacities. The Trustees administer the Charity here in the UK.</p> <p>For well construction activities managerial control is provided through a local supervisor who is formally employed by Oru Paanai (a sister charity) at no charge. In this case all funds provided by Well Being-SL are spent on the provision of materials and, where necessary, local construction labour and design expertise.</p> <p>Regular visits are made to Sri Lanka at the Trustees' own expense, to oversee operations and ensure that the selection of families and communities for the allocation of funds is proceeding fairly and entirely determined by the extent of families' needs.</p>
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	<p>During 2021/2022 the Charity raised £41918 from its friends and supporters. An increase in the financial contribution from Well-Being's sister charity Oru Paanai (Water) made direct to the Sri Lanka operation, meant that twenty seven wells were constructed over the year in question.</p> <p>From its inception to the end of 2021-2022, the Charity has raised over £100,000 from its supporters in the United Kingdom and has provided a total of 153 wells (a further 31 wells were provided before the Charity was established, through a 'Pilot' project). This has resulted in a growing number of families who can live without fear of hunger and disease, with the wells providing domestic supplies, the irrigation of crops for food and for sale, and improved hygiene.</p> <p>Widespread conversations take place with those families who have benefited from the provision of wells, to ensure that work is meeting good standards and fulfilling the Charity's objectives of securing families' futures at minimum cost.</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The Charity's strategy has always been to ensure that funds are not accumulated here in the UK, but rather sent to Sri Lanka where they can be used for immediate well construction, dependent on the time of year. By the end of the Charity's financial year, 30th September 2022, the bank account balance was just £ 1432 which was available for well construction early in 2023.</p> <p>The Charity's objective has always been not to commit to building wells until the funds have been raised, and then to build as many wells as possible in Sri Lanka's dry season. That policy remains.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Only small residual reserves are held in the UK, apart from over the winter months when sums raised are held here pending the dry construction period.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	See above

Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Individual members of the public supporting the fund-raising activities and responding to the appeals made by the charity.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	COVID-19 restricted fundraising opportunities in the UK in 2020/21, but fresh initiatives have been identified and implemented in 2021. These initiatives were successfully continued in 2022 and increased fundraising above the level of previous years.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of Charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).
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	Trustees have been selected through discussion and consensus among the existing Trustees.

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	N/A
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity' structure is very simple here in the UK, with a team of Trustees working voluntarily to undertake financial oversight, co-ordinate activities with the Sri Lankan operation, and identify fundraising opportunities.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The Charity has a common interest with Oru Paanai, a charity which raises funds for the relief of poverty in Sri Lanka, and with whom we share a Trustee. Oru Paanai (Water) undertook the pilot project that convinced the Trustees of Well-Being (Sri Lanka) that there was a desperate need to improve water supplies to the population in the Wanni area in northern Sri Lanka and determined to set up the charity and raise funds here to take this project forward. The two charities share the use of staff resources in Sri Lanka, and Oru Paanai also contributes funds to this enterprise.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Well-Being (Sri Lanka)
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1169468
Charity's principal address	1, Andrew Court 68, Wickham Road Beckenham Kent BR3 6RG

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	Mr Bala Gnanapragasam			
2	Dr Daniel Muthuveloe	Secretary		
3	Mr Melvyn Sears	Treasurer		
4	Mr Raj Pragasam			
5	Dr Paul R David	Chair		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A



Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Paul Rajasingham David	Melvyn Sears
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	20 July 2023	

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	Notes	2021/22 £	2020/2021 £
Income from:			
General donations	1	19594	15160
Grant (Oru Paanai)		15000	7500
Ring-fenced donations		6295	0
On-line fund raising		1029	1451
Total income		41918	24111
Expenditure on:			
Costs of raising funds (web site)		86	86
Charitable ops. (all xfers to SL)	2	35007	24300
Methodist Church of Sri Lanka	3	7657	0
Miscellaneous (bank charges)		246	85
Total expenditure		42996	24471
Net movement in funds		(1078)	(360)
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total funds brought forward		2511	2871
Total funds carried forward		1433	2511

All activities relate to continuing operations.

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BALANCE SHEET AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022	2021
		£	£
Current assets		1432	2511
Debtors		0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		1432	2511
Current liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		0	0
Net current (liabilities)/assets		1432	2511
Total assets less current liabilities		1432	2511
Creditors: Amounts falling due after one year		-	-
Net assets		1432	2511

Notes for 2021/2022:

- 1 Including gift aid for ring fenced donations.
- 2 Sum of all transfers to Oru Paanai (Sri Lanka) plus Anusha's gratuity
- 3 All payments to Methodist Church including predicted gift aid reclaimable on ring-fenced donations

Examiner's unqualified report (for a non-company charity preparing accruals accounts) with a gross income of £250,000 or less in the relevant financial year
Independent examiner's report to the trustees of WELL -BEING (SRI LANKA) Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the **WELL -BEING (SRI LANKA) Trust** for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

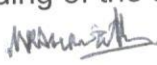
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do 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 accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: 

Name: NESAN ASIRWATHAM

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):

Address: 268 GREEN WYTHE LANE, CARSHALTON, SURREY SM5 1TS

Date: 26th July 2023