

THE ZAMBEZI SUNRISE TRUST

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 8 MAY 2023

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M W DENTON
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT
KEIGHLEY

THE ZAMBEZI SUNRISE TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 8 May 2023.

STATUS: Registered Charity (England and Wales) No 1169587

TRUSTEES: Joanne Gillette
John Gillette
Nicola Short
Robert Smith
Jonathan Ashley-Norman K.C.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 8 MAY 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

The Zambezi Sunrise Trust is a charitable trust and was established pursuant to a Declaration of Trust made on 8 May 2016.

ORGANISATION

The body of trustees throughout the period of this report comprised the three original trustees, as well as two others. Any further trustees must be appointed for a term of two years by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called in compliance with the Declaration of Trust. A trustee may resign his or her trusteeship at any time by notifying the other trustees but only if enough trustees will remain in office when the notice of resignation takes effect to form a quorum for meetings.

RELATED PARTIES

The Charity has no related parties.

TRUSTEES

Throughout the period of this report the body of trustees comprised the original trustees: Joanne Gillette, John Gillette, Nicola Short and also Robert Smith and Jonathan Ashley-Norman K.C.

OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the Charity are:

To promote for the public benefit, primarily but not exclusively within the Republic of Zambia, (a) the advancement of education and (b) the relief of poverty, sickness and distress amongst children in such manner as the trustees may think fit including without limitation the purchase of books, teaching materials, cooking materials, foodstuffs, cleaning materials, clothing, sporting equipment, building materials or medical supplies or the making of grants for the purchase of the same, the purchase of land upon which to build school facilities, the paying of school fees or the paying of teacher salaries.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

This, the seventh year of the charity, saw a return to 'normal' support for our projects in Zambia and with fundraising after the Covid years. Most significantly, we were able to continue construction at our flagship project, Linda Community School in Livingstone. A three classroom block was completed (together with office), making a total of twelve classrooms completed there. A large secure storage unit was also completed there. The three new classrooms were fitted out with 150 hand built desks and whiteboards. Another 100 desks were supplied earlier in the year for classrooms completed in the last reporting period. The new Grade 11 (the first in the school's history) were fully supplied with textbooks. Adult education, voter registration and identification and other community activities also took place in the school facilities we have built. We were also able to assist two other schools, Nekacheya School in Livingstone, and Njokomalomo Basic School in Barotseland/Western Province

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with reading books. Linda Sunrise Pre-School was also supported during this period, as was Tiyese ('Let's Try') Craft Initiative (a women's empowerment group comprising mothers of children at the school as well as others in the community). 'Homework Club' continued to be supported (and was moved to classrooms at Linda Community School in the evenings).

The reporting period saw trustees able to visit our projects in Zambia in both May 2022 and January 2023 – and help lay the foundations for future progress in the next reporting period. As part of those visits, they met the District Education Board Secretary who was able to reconfirm government support for our endeavours by confirming the earlier pledge of deploying ten government teachers for the secondary grades. Meetings were also held with the Mayor of Livingstone to discuss support from the city council. Both attended opening ceremonies for new classrooms at Linda Community School.

Teachers continued to be supported on courses to enhance their educational qualifications and, thereby, improve the quality of education offered to the children we support.

The reporting period saw us able to return to a normal level of live fundraising after the Covid years. Live events included supporters taking part in the National Garden Scheme with the proceeds of stalls going to support us, talks to organisations such as W.I.s and a Lions Club, fundraisers in the Great North Run, craft stalls with donated items and music based events. Online fundraising also continued, however, with us taking part in the 2022 Big Give Christmas Challenge with our 'Building a Science Lab' fundraiser for a new science room at Linda Community School.

The most significant development during the period was the construction of a three classroom block (with office for the head teacher and strong room for examination papers) at Linda Community School. This took the number of classrooms built to 12 – one for each of the year groups in the Zambian education system. The expansion of the school continues – the oldest pupils moved on to the school's first Grade 11 and were provided with a complete set of textbooks (as have each of the previous Grades). 150 desks were commissioned, as well as white boards purchased, to equip these classrooms, as well as another 100 desks for classrooms completed earlier. Tiyese ('Let's Try') Craft Initiative made curtains for each new classroom (as they have with our previous new classrooms). Large scale uniform donations (including sports kit) from the U.K. were distributed at the school. A large secure storage unit was also completed at the school. Volunteers helped paint two ablution blocks at the school.

Trustees were able to visit the projects twice during the reporting period (with two trustees in May 2022, and three in January 2023). As well as inspecting the projects and providing support, material donations were distributed at the schools and to vulnerable children in the local community. Many of these came from schools that support us in the U.K. In addition, letters were exchanged, and video links took place, between the schools we support and schools we have linked them with in the U.K. They included Nekacheya Primary School, where our trustees were invited to speak at the opening of their new site.

Nekacheya continued to be supported during this period with the provision of reading books, as were Njokomalomo Basic School in Barotseland/Western Province and Linda Community School. A girl's shower was added to Nekacheya's new ablution block (part funded by Zambezi Sunrise Trust).

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Linda Sunrise Pre-School was supported during this period with the provision of mattresses, chairs and donated knitted items brought from the U.K.

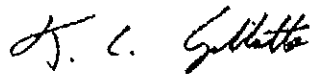
'Homework Club' was relaunched and relocated to classrooms at Linda Community School.

Visits to the Mayor of Livingstone and the District Education Board Secretary helped ensure local support was in place for our projects in the following year. Both attended opening ceremonies at the school and formally opened new classrooms (together with donors from Belgium and America who had funded specific classrooms).

The charity was able to make visible progress over the year on several fronts and was well placed to continue with that in the following reporting period.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The results shown within these financial statements are in line with the expectations of the trustees.



John Gillette

Trustee

9 January 2024

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Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of The Zambezi Sunrise Trust

I report on the accounts of The Zambezi Sunrise Trust for the year ended 8 May 2023, which are set out on pages 7 and 8.

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 needed.

It is my responsibility to 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 Charities Act), and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

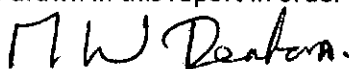
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the 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 statement 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.

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.


M W Denton

Chartered Accountant

29 Devonshire Street

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9 January 2024

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Balance sheet as at 8 May

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
<u>Current assets</u>		
Bank account	57,018	72,057
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<u>Net Current assets</u>	57,018	72,057
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	57,018	72,057
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<u>Trust Income account</u>		
Surplus of income over expenditure for the year	57,018	72,057
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These accounts were approved by the trustees on 9 January 2024 and were signed on their behalf by:

Joanne Gillette

John Gillette

THE ZAMBEZI SUNRISE TRUST**Income and expenditure account****for the year ended 8 May****2023****2022****£****£****Income****Donations and fundraising events Income****49,930****37,815****-----****-----****49,930****37,815****-----****-----****Expenditure****Zambezi Sunrise Trust project expenditure****In England and Wales****281****829****(outside England and Wales, in Zambia)****64,688****35,039****-----****-----****(Deficit) / surplus of income over expenditure for the year****(15,039)****1,947****-----****-----**