



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	01	2024		31	12	2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

UK Supporters of Born in Africa

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1169743

Charity's principal address

14 Fernlea

Bookham

Surrey

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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	Nick Brooks			
2	Penny Brooks			
3	Steve Hirst		Resigned 5 th August 2024	
4	Kevin Pocock			
5	Alan King		Appointed 2 nd September 2024	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Not applicable

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by Board of Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To advance education in Bitou, South Africa amongst school-going children and young adults who are financially disadvantaged in particular but not exclusively by supporting Born in Africa, Plettenberg Bay (SAN PO number – 060-686 – NPO, hereinafter BiA) by such means which are exclusively charitable in accordance with the laws of England and Wales

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

During the course of the reporting period UKBiA raised funding in the UK to support a number of activities to be undertaken in South Africa by the sister charitable organisation, Born in Africa. There were six transfers during the reporting period:

1. £8,804 in January 2024,
2. £1,401 in March,
3. £2,994 in July,
4. £1,639 in August,
5. £4,706 in November,
6. £662 in December.

The three main activities aligned with UKBiA objectives were:

- a) Godparenting support for children sponsored under the BiA programme to provide schooling-associated costs, including fees, extra-curricular support and development, and uniform support. The number of godchildren sponsored dropped from 21 at the beginning of 2024 to 19 by the end of 2024. This totalled £6,427 of income during the reporting period, slightly down on 2023.
- b) Funding costs associated with the construction and operation of a new swimming teaching pool at the Born in Africa offices, Plettenberg Bay.
- c) The purchase of laptops for Born in Africa pupils matriculating and moving into higher education.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

As the eighth year of operation it was the objective of the Trustees to continue to increase awareness of the charity, attract in further godparents, and raise sufficient funds to ensure the sustainability of the charity. Unsurprisingly after the record levels of fund-raising in 2023 resulting specifically from a major fund-raising event and a 50% increase in the number of godparents, 2024 settled down to a more normal year, although at higher income levels than in earlier periods.

We are delighted to report that we successfully raised more than £12,700. This is significantly higher than in any year prior to 2023.

Event activity has changed – instead of a charity ball, we returned to holding a South African wine-testing event in Surrey, which was well-attended and well-supported by local businesses. Further fund-raising events are being planned to be held in 2025.

An additional Trustee, Alan King, joined the Board during the year, and one of the founder Trustees departed the Board in August 2023.

Based on the experiences of this year of activity the Trustees are confident that the experiences learned will lead to a successful ninth year of operations.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees have agreed to manage the cash in bank so that a minimum of £50 be maintained at all times, and that the frequency of transfers to South Africa will be determined by the phasing of receipts of income and trying to minimise bank charges for fund transfers. Transfer frequency has settled around 6 transfers per year.
The Trustees are confident that the current cash position of the Charity is sufficient to cover any unexpected calls on its reserves.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

There are four main sources of income to the Charity.

1. Godparenting. Income from this source totalled £6,427 in 2024, down marginally against 2023 due to 3 Godparents deciding not to continue supporting children on the programme.
2. Fund-raising events – a wine-tasting event was held in November, which generated £3,104.
3. Individual donations £1,140
4. Gift Aid, totalling £2,116 claimed during 2024.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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)

Nick Brooks	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Co-Chair

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Date

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

UK Supporters of Born in Africa

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

1/1/2024

To

12/31/2024

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					
Donations	1,140	-	-	1,140	14,819
Godparenting	6,427	-	-	6,427	6,646
Gift aid	2,116	-	-	2,116	4,122
Events	3,104	-	-	3,104	25,368
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,787	-	-	12,787	50,955
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,787	-	-	12,787	50,955
A3 Payments					
Bank fees	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Born in Africa	20,206	-	-	20,206	42,855
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,206	-	-	20,206	42,855
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,206	-	-	20,206	42,855
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 7,419	-	-	- 7,419	8,100
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,508	-	-	9,508	-
Cash funds this year end	2,089	-	-	2,089	8,100

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	Cash funds at year end	2,089	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	2,089	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds 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)
	Money to be paid to Born in Africa in future		2,089	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Nick Brooks		
		Penny Brooks		