

MASAMBIRO UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1170717

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2016-12-13

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY ("THE OBJECTS") ARE:THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PEOPLE OF MALAWI FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, INCLUDING, ALTHOUGH NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY: - SUPPORTING THE BUILDING OF EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES SUCH AS CLASSROOMS- SUPPORTING BURSARIES TO SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS BASED ON NEED - SUPPORTING TEACHER TRAINING - SUPPORTING VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR SCHOOL GRADUATES- SUPPORTING ADULT EDUCATION- PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES SUCH AS TEXT BOOKS, SCIENCE EQUIPMENT - SUPPORTING FACILITIES AND STAFF REQUIRED FOR INCOME GENERATION PROJECTS FOR SCHOOLS THE RELIEF OF POVERTY FOR THE PEOPLE OF MALAWI FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT INCLUDING, ALTHOUGH NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:- SUPPORTING VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR SCHOOL GRADUATES- THE CREATION OF FEEDING PROGRAMME IN EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS - PROVIDING SCHOOL FEES AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR THOSE THAT ARE OTHERWISE UNABLE TO ACCESS EDUCATION AS A RESULT OF POVERTYTHE ADVANCEMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE PEOPLE OF MALAWI FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, INCLUDING, ALTHOUGH NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:- SUPPORTING HEALTH PROGRAMMES IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY - SUPPORTING HEALTH EDUCATION WITHIN EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS - PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED OF LIFE-SAVING HEALTHCARE WHICH IS OTHERWISE UNAVAILABLE TO THEM -RAISING FUNDS FOR THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT FOR LOCAL CLINICS AND HOSPITALS

Activities: We pursues the advancement of education and the relief of poverty for the people of Malawi. Activities include supporting the building of educational facilities such as classrooms, supporting bursaries to

school and university students, supporting teacher training, supporting vocational training for school graduates and providing educational resources such as text books, science equipment.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Malawi
- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£123,812	£39,980	-	-
2023-12-31	£71,560	£72,425	-	-
2022-12-31	£50,391	£55,929	-	-
2021-12-31	£60,899	£34,779	-	-
2020-12-31	£56,709	£56,601	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MANDY WILKINS	Chair	2016-09-19
ANSTANCE Fometu		2022-09-15
HANNAH WEISFELD		2016-09-19
JASON STRELITZ		2016-09-19
RAVINA BIJLANI		2016-09-19
SAMUEL GREENE		2016-09-19

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Accounts

Charity No. 1170717

MASAMBIRO UK

**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees Ravina Bijlani
 Anstance Fometu
 Samuel Greene
 Jason Strelitz
 Hannah Weisfeld
 Mandy Wilkins (Chair)

Charity Number 1170717

Principal Address 28 Queens Avenue, London N3 2NP

Independent Examiner Angela Wimborne

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ANNUAL REPORT

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Objectives and Activities

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- supporting the building of educational facilities such as classrooms
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- supporting adult education
- providing educational resources such as text books, science equipment
- supporting facilities and staff required for income generation projects for schools

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- supporting vocational training for school graduates
- the creation of feeding programmes in educational establishments
- providing school fees and other resources for those that are otherwise unable to access education as a result of poverty

The advancement of health for the people of Malawi for the public benefit, including, although not exclusively by:

- supporting health programmes in the local community
- supporting health education within educational establishments
- providing assistance to individuals in need of life-saving healthcare which is otherwise unavailable to them
- raising funds for the provision of medical equipment for local clinics and hospitals

Achievements and Performance

As in previous years, we continued to provide Kunyanja Secondary School with our ongoing budgetary support that we have committed to long term, alongside working with the school management to oversee the development new initiatives and projects. In particular the current focus of additional support is on the development of a Teacher Training College and helping to support the newly established Health Clinic serving the school and wider community.

General school support

Throughout 2024, Masambiro UK continued to support Kunyanja Secondary School with core budget support, including paying towards bursaries for 160 students to attend the school and a further four bursaries for girls to live at the girls dormitory. Masambiro also continued to provide grants to Kunyanja graduates who have been successful in obtaining university places. In 2024, 23 students were selected for university places in Malawi, and at the beginning of the academic year in September 2024, 585 students were enrolled in the school.

Throughout 2024 Masambiro also continued to fund the PhD of Feston Singoyi, the Director of Kunyanja Education Trust, as well as fully funding the cost of university for Ruth Simumba, the sister of the late Sydney Simumba who was co-founder and co-director of Kunyanja Education Trust, alongside Feston Singoyi.

Supporting education in Cape Maclear

Masambiro continues to provide assistance to education projects in Cape Maclear passing on ringfenced funds that are raised specifically for this purpose. We continue receive regular updates about these projects.

Health clinic

The health clinic opened in July 2024 and immediately began to serve needs of the local community. In its first month of operation, it saw 188 cases in the local community. The plan is for the clinic to eventually become self-funding i.e. those paying to use the clinic would pay for the costs of the clinic. Whilst it is establishing its roots, Masambiro, along with the donor who provided the initial funds to establish it, is committed to ensuring it has the support it needs to run effectively.

Girls Dorm

In 2024 Kunyanja Educational Trust received a grant from the Beit Trust to build a second girls dormitory in order to provide living accommodation for girls studying at the school. On site accommodation has a direct impact on girls' attainment and increases the chances of completing secondary education which is why the trustees consider it to be an important and necessary investment. Towards the end of 2024, Masambiro trustees agreed to top up the Beit Trust grant to ensure that a 52-person dormitory could be built, the same size as the existing girls dormitory, as the grant from Beit Trust was only big enough to build a dormitory half that size. Work began on the dormitory in the second half of 2024 and was completed in early 2025.

Teacher training college (TTC)

Work began on the first stages of building the Teacher Training College in 2024 with the construction of classrooms funded by Masambiro. There were a number of requirements that had to be met before work could commence including a groundbreaking ceremony with the local community as well donation of a football pitch for use by the local football club. These

were requirements necessary to get the project underway and were funded by Masambiro as part of the development of the TTC.

Financial Review

In the year to 31 December 2024, we raised £123,812 from donations, grants and fundraising events. We made transfers to Kunyanja School and other project totalling £37,835 and we were left with reserves of £114,640. An exceptional amount of funds were raised this year owing to an appeal on our behalf by the New North London Synagogue and restricted funds raised for the clinic via our partnership with The Brook Surgery. The surplus the charity was left with at the end of 2024 will enable us to contribute significant funds towards the Teacher Training College in 2025 and over the term of the project.

We continued to receive a significant number of large one-off donations alongside our regular donations. This has enabled us to continue to fund ongoing support for the school in the form of bursaries and provide support for larger projects such as the teacher training college. In light of our significant funds, the trustees decided to open a high interest account to deposit some of our funds into. Research into the best options available was conducted and an account was opened in early 2025

Our financial processes remain the same as previous years. The trustees maintain regular contact with the directors of the project and approve a budget at the beginning of each academic year. Funds are transferred to Malawi three times a year on receipt of a report of expenditure and performance for the previous term. We are aware that significant inflation remains an ongoing financial risk as currency can become quickly devalued. Through the regular reports we are sent we are kept up to date with any impact currency fluctuations have on the budgets for the projects we are supporting, and this remains under constant monitoring.

The trustees aim to visit Malawi every 12-18 months to meet with project directors face-to-face and review the progress in person against financial and performance reports. This provides additional oversight over delivery of our charitable objectives and helps to maintain our working relationships with the team delivering on the ground in Malawi.

Trustees maintain a policy that we will make a regular commitment to fund a certain number of students to attend school and university on an annual basis, and when additional funds are available, we will work with the project directors in Malawi to ascertain what spending priorities are. Our reserves policy dictates that additional items are not funded unless Masambiro UK is already in receipt of the required funds for the upcoming transfer for our regular commitments to the project, alongside there being a clear idea of how any additional funds will be raised. Trustee Ravina Bijlani, who is a qualified accountant, acts as the Treasurer.

Structure, Governance and Management

Masambiro UK is established pursuant to its Trust Deed dated 1 November 2016 and is registered under the Charities Act 2011, charity number 1170717. The charity commenced its activities in January 2017.

Trustees that served throughout 2024 were:

Ravina Bijlani
Anstance Fometu
Samuel Greene
Jason Strelitz
Hannah Weisfeld
Mandy Wilkins (Chair)

All decisions are taken by the board of trustees as listed above, and Masambiro UK does not pay any staff to administer its activities. The trustees maintain regular contact with the project directors in Malawi and funds are transferred on receipt of regular reports from the trustees and directors in Malawi.

Where there is a requirement for new trustees, these would be identified and appointed by the remaining trustees. Mandy Wilkins, the Chair of Trustees, is responsible for the induction of any new trustee which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the history and the administrative procedures of the charity.

The trustees annually review the risks that the charity faces. The best ways to mitigate these risks are then put into place. The trustees are satisfied that the charity faces minimal or no risk in the upcoming year.

The trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Charity: Masambiro UK
Charity Number: 1170717
Accounting Period: 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed as the income for the period exceeded £25,000.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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.

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
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts did 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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Angela Wimborne
Date: 13 October 2025
Address: 47 Coniston Road London N10 2BL



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Masambiro UK

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01 January 2024

To

31 December 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 £	Year ended 31 Dec 2023 to the nearest £
Receipts					
Donations and grants	63,371	50,708	-	114,079	70,488
Fundraising events	9,733	-	-	9,733	1,072
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	73,104	50,708	-	123,812	71,560
Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	73,104	50,708	-	123,812	71,560
Payments					
Charitable activities	2,086	35,749	-	37,835	72,275
Bank charges	25	-	-	25	150
Fundraising events	2,120	-	-	2,120	-
Travel	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,231	35,749	-	39,980	72,425
Asset and investment purchases					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,231	35,749	-	39,980	72,425
Net of receipts/(payments)	68,873	14,959	-	83,832	- 865
Transfers between funds	- 7,961	7,961	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	20,127	10,681	-	30,808	31,673
Cash funds this year end	81,039	33,601	-	114,640	30,808

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 £
Cash funds		81,039	33,601	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	81,039	33,601	-

Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
Ravina Bijlani

Date of approval
17/10/2025

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Achievements and Performance

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General school support

Masambiro UK continued to support Kunyanja Secondary School with core budget support, including paying towards bursaries for students to attend the school and live at the girls dormitory, as well as providing grants to Kunyanja graduates who were successful at obtaining university places. In 2023, due to the success of the fundraising quiz we held at the end of 2022 we were able to commit to funding 160 bursaries at the school for students who are unable to afford school fees. This is a significant percentage of the school pupils. 15 students were accepted to university in 2023 and therefore were entitled to receive support from Masambiro to pursue their studies.

During 2023 the school was also able to reopen it's 'open school' which caters for mature students who have not been able to previously complete their secondary school education so they can return to school to study to receive their secondary school qualifications. 145 students were enrolled in the open school by the end of 2023.

We received a grant of £6,000 from the George Oliver Foundation of which £3,894 was sent to the school to help restock the science laboratory and library and the remainder has been restricted in our accounts for future needs related to the science lab and library.

PhD support for Feston Singoyi

Kunyanja Educational Trust Director Fenston Singoyi made a request to the trustees for Masambiro to fund his PhD studies in education on the basis that it would be beneficial for him to increase his level of qualifications to support the development of the teacher training college that is planned. The trustees agreed to support this with a cost to Masambiro of approximately £3,000 per year. The initial support for the PhD was sent in December 2023.

Supporting education in Cape Maclear

We continue to support an additional educational project in Cape McClear. Funds for this project were transferred to Masambiro during 2023 as restricted funds and passed directly onto the project. We continue to receive updates about the work of the project to ensure the funds are being spent in the correct manner.

Cyclone Freddy

In March 2023, Malawi was deeply affected by Cyclone Freddy which destroyed many homes and much infrastructure in the south of the country. We were asked by Kunyanja Educational Trust Director, Feston Singoyi, if we would be willing to provide support to Kunyanja Educational Trust so they could, in turn, provide some relief for victims of the cyclone for the purposes of nutritional and health needs. The trustees felt that this was in line with our overall objectives and that we could afford to meet this request. In April we were able to transfer funds to support this disaster relief work.

Health clinic

We received significant donations for the building and development of the health clinic in 2023. The funds were raised by a supporter of Masambiro who was able to raise the funds through a fundraising project at his private GP practice in London. Building began on the clinic in December 2023 and was completed in 2024.

Teacher training college

The school continues to hold the land for the development of a teacher training college. Although plans continued to be discussed in 2023, the decision was made that any work would begin in 2024, once the health clinic was up and running in order that proper attention could be devoted to the project.

Restricted Funds

Below is a summary of the balances on our restricted funds:

	Bursaries	Cape Maclear	Teacher Training College	Clinic	Books & science lab	Total
Balance b/f 01.01.23		£4,714				£4,714
Income	£8,629	£10,756	£74	£13,429	£6,000	£38,888
Expenditure	£8,629	£9,200		£11,198	£3,894	£32,921
Balance c/f 31.12.23	-	£6,270	£74	£2,231	£2,106	£10,681

Financial Review

In the year to 31 December 2023, we raised £71,560 from donations, grants and fundraising events. We made transfers to Kunyanja School and other project totalling £72,275 and we were left with reserves of £30,808.

We were lucky enough to receive a significant number of large one-off donations and pledges of support in 2023 (some of which were donated to the charity in early 2024) that gave our fundraising efforts a significant uplift, ensuring a good level of financial stability which will help us to be able to support the work of building the Teacher Training College in 2024.

Our financial processes remain the same as previous years. The trustees maintain regular contact with the directors of the project and approve a budget at the beginning of each academic year. Funds are transferred to Malawi three times a year on receipt of a report of expenditure and performance for the previous term.

The trustees have committed that one trustee will visit Malawi every 12-18 months to meet with project directors face-to-face and review the progress in person against financial and performance reports. This provides additional oversight over delivery of our charitable objectives and helps to maintain our working relationships with the team delivering on the ground in Malawi. In 2023, trustees Anstance Fometu, Mandy Wilkins and Jason Strelitz visited the school to meet with staff and review projects. As these visits were combined with personal holidays, the charity did not have to fund the visits on this occasion.

Trustees maintain a policy that we will make a regular commitment to fund a certain number of students to attend school and university on an annual basis, and when additional funds are available, we will work with the project directors in Malawi to ascertain what spending priorities are. Our reserves policy dictates that additional items are not funded unless Masambiro UK is already in receipt of the required funds for the upcoming transfer for our regular commitments to the project, alongside there being a clear idea of how any additional funds will be raised. Trustee Ravina Bijlani, who is a qualified accountant, acts as the Treasurer.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Charity: Masambiro UK

Charity Number: 1170717

Accounting Period: 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

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It is my responsibility to:

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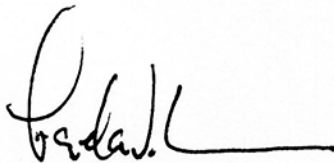
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Angela Wimborne

Date: 13/10/2024

Address: 47 Coniston Rd

London N10 2BL



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Masambiro UK

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01 January 2023

To

31 December 2023

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 £	Year ended 31 Dec 2022 to the nearest £
Receipts					
Donations and grants	31,600	38,888	-	70,488	41,111
Fundraising events	1,072	-	-	1,072	9,280
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	32,672	38,888	-	71,560	50,391
Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	32,672	38,888.00	-	71,559.82	50,391
Payments					
Charitable activities	39,354	32,921	-	72,275	55,685
Bank charges	150	-	-	150	244
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
Travel	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	39,504	32,921	-	72,425	55,929
Asset and investment purchases					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	39,504	32,921	-	72,425	55,929
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 6,832	5,967	-	- 865	- 5,538
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	26,959	4,714	-	31,673	37,211
Cash funds this year end	20,127	10,681	-	30,808	31,673

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 £
Cash funds		20,127	10,681	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	20,127	10,681	-

		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature



Print Name
Ravina Bijlani

Date of approval
13/10/2024

MASAMBIRO UK

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Accounts

Charity No. 1170717

MASAMBIRO UK
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR
THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Independent Examiner	Angela Wimborne
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ANNUAL REPORT

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Objectives and Activities

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- supporting the building of educational facilities such as classrooms
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- supporting health programmes in the local community
- supporting health education within educational establishments
- providing assistance to individuals in need of life-saving healthcare which is otherwise unavailable to them
- raising funds for the provision of medical equipment for local clinics and hospitals

Achievements and Performance

We continued to provide Kunyanja Secondary School with ongoing budgetary support that we have committed to long term, alongside working with the school management to oversee the development of new initiatives and projects.

Sydney Simumba

We continued to support one of the school's directors and founders in his cancer treatment until February 2022. Sydney sadly died at the end of February, aged 37. As well as being a great personal loss to the trustees and staff members at the school, it also created a huge deficit for the school in terms of leadership and visionary thinking. As such, the trustees of Masambiro UK spent significant time supporting the other school director, Feston Singoyi, through this difficult and challenging time.

Sydney had been supporting 25 children from his village to attend school and Masambiro UK committed to continuing to support these children through their education after he died. We also committed to supporting his sister through her university education.

General school support

Masambiro UK continued to support Kunyanja Secondary School with core budget support, including paying towards bursaries for students to attend the school and live at the girls' dormitory, and provided grants to Kunyanja graduates who were successful at obtaining university places. We had increased the number of bursaries we were funding to 70 students during covid but agreed to return this to 40 students to make it more sustainable and affordable for Masambiro UK. However, our fundraising quiz towards the end of 2022 was extremely successful and this enabled us to commit to maintaining a higher level of bursary support moving forward. At the start of the year, we worked with Feston to ensure he was still able to provide Masambiro UK with the regular updates and reporting we needed in line with our governance requirements, even though he could no longer rely on Sydney to help with this.

Due to the term dates being out of sync because of Covid, there were four academic terms in 2022 rather than the standard 3 and so we had to make an extra transfer to the school during the year. We were able to manage this additional transfer because enough funds were raised by Masambiro through the course of the year. In 2023, the term dates returned to the standard academic year.

Supporting education in Cape Maclear

We agreed we would start to support some schools in Cape Maclear, Malawi, with funds that are being raised specifically for this purpose by some of Masambiro UK's supporters. It was agreed that we would transfer these funds subject to us receiving a report on spending of the previous transfer and that the schools in Cape Maclear were happy to abide by our safeguarding policy.

Teacher training college

We were able to purchase the land intended for the teacher training college with the funds raised by trustee, Jason Strelitz, who ran a marathon whilst in a quarantine hotel after visiting Malawi in late 2021. The land was purchased in early May 2022. Further plans to develop the land and build the teacher training college were subject to us ensuring there was adequate oversight and support on the ground to help with the project as it is an enormous undertaking.

Health clinic

Our trustee, Sam Greene, worked with Feston to build a proposal for a health clinic intended to serve the school and wider local community. The board of Kunyanja Educational Trust added a new trustee to the board who is a medical practitioner who has the correct skills and experience to help oversee this project. The proposal was presented to a potential funder in the UK for review, who said they most likely would be able to start to raise funds for it in 2023.

Financial Review

In the year to 31 December 2022, we raised £50,391 from donations, grants and fundraising events. We made transfers to Kunyanja School of £55,929 and we were left with reserves of £31,673.

Expenditure exceeded income in the current year as funds for the teacher training college were fundraised at the end of 2021 and the purchase of the land was made in May 2022.

Our financial processes remain the same as previous years. The trustees maintain regular contact with the directors of the project and approve a budget at the beginning of each academic year. Funds are transferred to Malawi three times a year on receipt of a report of expenditure and performance for the previous term. The trustees have committed that one trustee will visit Malawi every 12-18 months to meet with project directors face-to-face and review the progress in person against financial and performance reports. This ensures that our funds are being properly spent. This has not been easy to do as a result of Covid-19, but Jason Strelitz was able to make a trip for the first time since pre-pandemic and we now hope these trips will be back on track.

Trustees maintain a policy that we will make a regular commitment to fund a certain number of students to attend school and university on an annual basis, and when additional funds are available we will work with the project directors in Malawi to ascertain what spending priorities are. Our reserves policy dictates that additional items are not funded unless Masambiro UK is already in receipt of the required funds for the upcoming transfer for our regular commitments to the project, alongside there being a clear idea of how any additional funds will be raised. Trustee Ravina Bijlani, who is a qualified accountant, acts as the Treasurer.

Despite the fact there were significant budgetary pressures, particularly huge inflation in Malawi precipitated by the Ukraine war, the management of the school did extremely well in 2022 in managing these challenges and we were not called on to provide additional support as we had been expecting.

Structure, Governance and Management

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Trustees that served throughout 2022 were:

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Anstance Fometu (appointed 15th September 2022)
Samuel Greene
Jason Strelitz
Hannah Weisfeld

Mandy Wilkins (Chair)

All decisions are taken by the board of trustees as listed above, and Masambiro UK does not pay any staff to administer its activities. The trustees maintain regular contact with the project directors in Malawi and funds are transferred on receipt of regular reports from the trustees and directors in Malawi.

Where there is a requirement for new trustees, these would be identified and appointed by the remaining trustees. Mandy Wilkins, the Chair of Trustees, is responsible for the induction of any new trustee which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the history and the administrative procedures of the charity.

The trustees annually review the risks that the charity faces. The best ways to mitigate these risks are then put into place. The trustees are satisfied that the charity faces minimal or no risk in the upcoming year.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Charity: Masambiro UK
Charity Number: 1170717
Accounting Period: 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed as the income for the period exceeded £25,000.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
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- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

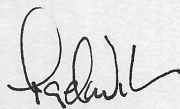
My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures 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.

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
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts did 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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Angela Wimborne

Date:

11/10/23

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47 Coniston Rd
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Masambiro UK

1170717

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01 January 2022

To

31 December 2022

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 £	Year ended 31 Dec 2021 to the nearest £
Receipts					
Donations and grants	33,274	7,837	-	41,111	52,325
Fundraising events	9,280	-	-	9,280	8,575
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	42,554	7,837	-	50,391	60,899
Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	42,554	7,837	-	50,391	60,899
Payments					
Charitable activities	52,598	3,087	-	55,685	28,490
Bank charges	208	36	-	244	100
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	1,893
Travel	-	-	-	-	4,296
Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	52,806	3,123	-	55,929	34,779
Asset and investment purchases					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	52,806	3,123	-	55,929	34,779
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 10,252	4,714	-	- 5,538	26,121
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	37,211	-	-	37,211	11,090
Cash funds this year end	26,959	4,714	-	31,673	37,211

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 £
Cash funds		26,959	4,714	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	26,959	4,714	-

Other monetary assets		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Liabilities		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
RAVINA BIJLANI

Date of approval
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Achievements and Performance

Throughout 2021 we continued to provide the school with our ongoing budgetary support that we have committed to long-term, alongside continued emergency Covid-19 support. We also developed and fundraised for a number of new projects. Throughout 2021 we continued to support Sydney Simumba, our project director who had a terminal cancer diagnosis.

General school support

Masambiro UK continued to support Kuyanjanja Secondary School with core budget support, including paying towards bursaries for students to attend the school and live at the girls' dormitory, as well as providing grants to Kuyanjanja graduates who were successful at obtaining university places.

Covid-19 emergency support

At the start of 2021 the Malawian government unexpectedly closed schools, resulting in significant financial hardship for the school as they were unable to collect school fees and pay

staff salaries and running costs such as water and electricity bills. Masambiro UK supported the school through the closure, ensuring they were able to pay teachers at least 50% of their salaries before the school reopened. The management also highlighted that the financial situation meant that there were more students requiring bursaries than we had previously budgeted to support. The number rose from 80 to 152 in total. We agreed in the short-term to provide a larger number of bursaries but in April we met with the project directors Sydney Simuba and Feston Singoyi together on Zoom, to impress upon them the need to get the school back onto a stable financial footing as Masambiro could not afford to increase its annual commitment long-term. We are pleased to report that the school was able to get back on track throughout the course of the year and did not have to ask Masambiro UK for any further additional funds.

Bore hole

The school has been suffering from hugely increased costs related to water supply, particularly at the girls' dormitory which is connected to a much more expensive water meter. As a result, the school had to shut off the water supply to the girls' dormitory forcing the girls to fill buckets to wash from and use for cooking. At the beginning of the year we successfully applied for funding from the George Oliver Foundation for the creation of a bore hole which would allow the school to pump water directly, making it a much more financially sustainable way for the school to have a large enough water supply.

Medical support for Sydney Simumba.

Whilst Sydney remained in relatively good health for the duration of 2021, towards the end of the year his health started to decline and at the very end of 2021 he travelled to Blantyre to undertake some life prolonging chemotherapy treatment. Masambiro agreed to fund this treatment and all the costs associated with it, including accommodation for Sydney and family members to live in so they could care for him whilst he was undertaking the treatment.

Visit to Malawi by Kunyanja Trustee Jason Strelitz

In November 2021 Jason Strelitz, one of Masambiro's trustees visited Malawi for the first time since prior to the start of the Covid-19 pandemic. The trip was timed partly in relation to the borders opening up, allowing international travel to take place, but also in order to spend some time with Sydney whilst he was still in good health.

Jason spent time with both Sydney and Feston discussing new plans and ideas for the development of the trust. They agreed, in principle, subject to workable business plans and Masambiro being able to raise the funds required, two specific projects:

- 1) A health clinic to be created on the site of the school: The aim is for this to serve pupils at the school, particularly girls that are living in the dormitory on the site of the school. It will also be open to the local community who will pay a fee to use the clinic which will help generate some income. The clinic will aim to be as low cost as is feasible to allow it to remain accessible to as many people as possible.
- 2) The creation of a Teacher Training College: This has been a long-held dream of both Sydney and Feston given the very low numbers in Malawi that are able to access proper teacher training. Along with the trustees of Kunyana Educational Trust, Sydney and Feston located some appropriate land close to Nkhata Bay which they

felt was a good location and size. It was agreed that, in principle, subject to being able to raise the funds, we would purchase the land whilst it was available and that, in the eventuality of not being able to bring the plans into fruition the land would be resold, and the funds used for general budget support that is anyway committed by Masambiro UK to Kunyanja.

Whilst Jason was in Malawi the country was red listed due to a new variant of Covid-19 being discovered as having emanated from Southern Africa. As a result, significant additional unforeseen costs were incurred including having to book a new flight and then pay for quarantine in a hotel. However, the quarantine period presented an opportunity for Jason to raise some money and he ran a marathon which he collected sponsorship for, raising over £20,000 which the trustees have designated for the land required to build the teacher training college.

In February 2022 Sydney sadly passed away from cancer. He was buried in his village in the north of Malawi after a memorial ceremony at the school in Nkhata Bay. Masambiro UK held a memorial service for him in the UK, bringing people together to remember the amazing contribution he made to thousands of people in his short life. Once the mourning period and funeral were over Masambiro worked to ensure that Feston had the support he needed to ensure smooth continued running of the school in Malawi. In May 2022 the land identified for the purposes of building a teacher training college was purchased. With the support of Masambiro trustee, Sam, Feston also created a project proposal for the health clinic so we could start to present it to donors. The school has also faced some difficult financial challenges in 2022 as a result of global financial instability related to the war in Ukraine, resulting in significant inflation in Malawi. Masambiro UK has been working with Feston to agree how best to manage this.

Financial Review

In the year to 31 December 2021, we raised £60,899 from donations, grants and fundraising events. We made transfers to Kunyanja School of £28,350 and we were left with reserves of £37,211.

Our financial processes remain the same as previous years. The trustees maintain regular contact with the directors of the project and approve a budget at the beginning of each academic year. Funds are transferred to Malawi three times a year on receipt of a report of expenditure and performance for the previous term. The trustees have committed that one trustee will visit Malawi every 12-18 months in order to meet with project directors face-to-face and review the progress in person against financial and performance reports. This ensures that our funds are being properly spent. This has not been easy to do as a result of Covid-19, but Jason Strelitz was able to make a trip for the first time since pre-pandemic and we now hope these trips will be back on track.

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The trustees are closely monitoring our finances. It has become apparent that spiralling inflation as a result of the Ukraine war and the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic is likely to have a dramatic impact on Kunyanja Educational Trust finances. We expect that we may be asked to provide additional support to help alleviate this situation and therefore we are making plans to ensure we can do so, if required.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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Charity Number: 1170717

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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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *Angela Wimborne*

Name: Angela Wimborne

Date: 13 October 2022

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01 January 2021

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31 December 2021

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 £	Year ended 31 Dec 2020 to the nearest £
Receipts					
Donations and grants	46,715	5,610	-	52,325	56,709
Fundraising events	8,575	-	-	8,575	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	55,289	5,610	-	60,899	56,709
Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	55,289	5,610	-	60,899	56,709
Payments					
Charitable activities	22,880	5,610	-	28,490	56,019
Bank charges	100	-	-	100	150
Fundraising events	1,893	-	-	1,893	-
Travel	4,296	-	-	4,296	-
Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	432
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	29,169	5,610	-	34,779	56,601
Asset and investment purchases					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	29,169	5,610	-	34,779	56,601
Net of receipts/(payments)	26,121	-	-	26,121	108
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	11,090	-	-	11,090	10,982
Cash funds this year end	37,211	-	-	37,211	11,090

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 £
Cash funds		37,211	-	-
		-	-	-
	<i>Total cash funds</i>	37,211	-	-

Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
RAVINA BIJLANI

Date of approval
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Achievements and Performance

In 2020 we continued to provide regular assistance to Kunyanja Private Secondary School via Kunyanja Educational Trust, in addition to significant Covid-19 budget support to help the school through shortfalls which arose as a result of lockdown closures. The school provided Covid-19 assistance to the surrounding communities, something that Masambiro UK was also able to fund. We also continued to fund life-saving cancer treatment in South Africa for our project director Sydney Simumba

Covid-19 emergency support

Schools shut at the end of March 2020 as part of the Malawian government's Covid-19 strategy. Without any type of government support such as that available in the UK, and no school fees being collected from pupils, Kunyanja Secondary School faced a significant shortfall to pay staff salaries and other overheads such as utilities. Masambiro UK launched an emergency fundraising appeal, and we were able to match fund some of the fundraised income through a supporter's workplace scheme, significantly boosting the fundraising appeal. Schools reopened at the start of the school year in September with significant social distancing requirements and regulations such as needing to take the temperatures of students and teachers. Masambiro

provided support for the school to purchase additional chairs so students could be spread out further in classrooms, and thermometers which are a significant expense as they need to be imported from South Africa. Once school reopened in September, Kunyanja, like many schools in Malawi, faced a significant drop in the number of students attending. This affected the school's income due to a reduction in school fee income and required us to send further emergency support.

Supporting the local community in managing Covid-19

We were able to provide the school with a small budget to enable them to undertake public health education in relation to managing Covid-19 in the wider community. This included donating buckets and soap for handwashing, and masks to other schools, community elders and the local prison. The school also facilitated and hosted Covid-19 training for over 80 clergy men and women, which was run by the local District Health officials.

Medical support for Sydney Simumba.

We continued to support one of the project director's, Sydney Simumba, cancer treatment in South Africa. This involved ongoing radiotherapy followed by surgery and a biopsy. Unfortunately, the treatment was unsuccessful, and therefore he eventually returned to Malawi as no further treatment options were available to him. He currently remains relatively well in Malawi, continuing to fulfil his duties at the school. It is unclear how long he will be able to remain in good enough health to continue to work and teach. Masambiro is making plans for how to manage this situation in the long term.

General school support

Alongside the significant additional Covid-19 support, we continued to provide the school with budgetary support which we provide in normal circumstances. This included 50% bursaries for 80 students enrolled at Kunyanja Secondary School, ensuring that those coming from the poorest of backgrounds were able to access the high-quality education at the school. We also continued to fund in full the fees of 25 staff wards (i.e. family members of staff working at the school). We continued to provide bursaries for 10 Kunyanja students who were awarded places at university and provided support for Feston Singoyi, our second project director, to pursue Masters Degree. For the period of the academic year that the school was open, we continued to fund 4 female students to live at the girls dormitory on the school site which was built using funds from Masambiro UK.

Financial Review

In the year to 31 December 2020, we raised £56,089 from donations, grants and fundraising events. We made transfers to Kunyanja School of £48,300 and spent £7,719 on medical treatment for Sydney Simumba. We were left with reserves of £11,090.

Our financial processes remain the same as previous years. The trustees maintain regular contact with the directors of the project and approve a budget at the beginning of each academic year. Funds are transferred to Malawi three times a year on receipt of a report of expenditure and performance for the previous term. The trustees have committed that one trustee will visit Malawi every 12-18 months to meet with project directors face-to-face and review the progress in person against financial and performance reports. This ensures that our funds are being properly spent. This has not been possible in the past 18 months due to the Covid-19 pandemic. It is currently unclear when we may be able to resume trips to Malawi as

vaccination rates remain low and therefore, we are unlikely to be able to travel without quarantining on return. Consequently, we will monitor the project through maintaining more regular contact with project directors via telephone, video calls and email.

Trustees maintain a policy that we will make a regular commitment to fund a certain number of students to attend school and university on an annual basis, and when additional funds are available, we will work with the project directors in Malawi to ascertain what spending priorities are. Our reserves policy dictates that additional items are not funded unless Masambiro UK is already in receipt of the required funds for the upcoming transfer for our regular commitments to the project, alongside there being a clear idea of how any additional funds will be raised. Trustee Ravina Bijlani, who is a qualified accountant, acts as the Treasurer.

The trustees are closely monitoring our finances and looking for additional sources of income, particularly in light of the ongoing financial crisis created by the Covid-19 pandemic, and the need to provide additional support whilst also not being able to make definitive fundraising plans in the UK

Structure, Governance and Management

Masambiro UK is established pursuant to its Trust Deed dated 1 November 2016 and is registered under the Charities Act 2011, charity number 1170717. The charity commenced its activities in January 2017.

Trustees that served throughout 2020 were:

Ravina Bijlani
Samuel Greene
Jason Strelitz
Hannah Weisfeld
Mandy Wilkins (Chair)

All decisions are taken by the board of trustees as listed above, and Masambiro UK does not pay any staff to administer its activities. The trustees maintain regular contact with the project directors in Malawi and funds are transferred on receipt of regular reports from the trustees and directors in Malawi.

Where there is a requirement for new trustees, these would be identified and appointed by the remaining trustees. Mandy Wilkins, the Chair of trustees, is responsible for the induction of any new trustee which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the history and the administrative procedures of the charity.

The trustees annually review the risks that the charity faces. The best ways to mitigate these risks are then put into place. The trustees are satisfied that the charity faces minimal or no risk in the upcoming year.

The Trustees Report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Charity: Masambiro UK
Charity Number: 1170717
Accounting Period: 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed as the income for the period exceeded £25,000.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention


My examination was carried out in accordance with 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.

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
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts did 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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Angela Wimborne

Date: 11/10/21

Address: 47 CONISTON RD
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01 January 2020	To	31 December 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 £	Year ended 31 Dec 2019 to the nearest £
Receipts					
Donations and grants	56,089	620	-	56,709	45,382
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	7,711
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	56,089	620	-	56,709	53,093
Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	56,089	620	-	56,709	53,093
Payments					
Charitable activities	53,772	2,247	-	56,019	49,493
Bank charges	150	-	-	150	100
Subscriptions	432	-	-	432	-
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	194
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	54,354	2,247	-	56,601	49,787
Asset and investment purchases					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	54,354	2,247	-	56,601	49,787
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,735	- 1,627	-	108	3,306
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds last year end	9,355	1,627	-	10,982	-
Cash funds this year end	11,090	-	-	11,090	3,306

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 £
Cash funds		11,090	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	11,090	-	-

Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	0
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
 RAVINA BRIJANI

Date of approval
 04/10/21