



'Affordable, sustainable energy for all'

Switched On Gambia Annual Report APRIL 2020 TO MARCH 2021

Reference and administrative details

Registered Charity Number: 1172051

Charity's principle address: 49 High Street, Bewdley, Worcestershire, UK, DY122DJ

Names of trustees who manage the charity

Ben Ballin	Secretary
Kevin Bailey	Chair/Treasurer
John Rhymer	
Malcolm Garner	

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	Constitution
How the charity is constituted	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustees selection methods	Trustees are normally selected by recommendation and appointed by existing trustees

Additional governance issues

- Trustees form a close group that meet at least 3 times a year and in addition communicate electronically.
- Trustees have weekly communication with Intouch Gambia based in The Gambia and receive regular updates on project activities.
- The trustees contain members with a wide spread of experiences and expertise relevant to the aims of the charity.
- Trustees take on formal roles such as chair, secretary and treasurer but also advise on issues relevant to their field of expertise. An example of this would be technical advice on solar energy relevant to solar lights or project management in relation to the charities work.

During the year Switched On Gambia has mainly worked with their partners in The Gambia, Intouch Gambia, supporting through donations of funds and by regular communication and advice when requested. Normally regular annual visits are also made by a trustee and friends of the trustees in order to support, advise and monitor progress.

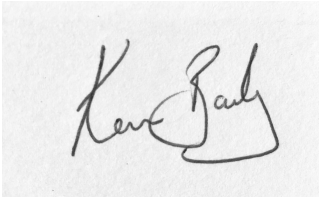
Partnerships

Switched On - Gambia also works with other charities when appropriate such as Book Aid International and Riders for Health who work closely as partners providing books and expertise with vehicles to our project in The Gambia.

Main Activities

- Switched On Gambia continued to support Intouch Gambia during 2021 with advice and funding in order that the successful projects of Community Reading Groups and Class Libraries continued to develop. Strong metal book shelves and books donated by Book Aid International were distributed and coordinators trained and monitored by Intouch Gambia staff.
- Funding was ceased to Switched On Gambia in December 2021.
- The Director, Michael Mendy, left Intouch Gambia in January 2021 to study abroad.
- Intouch Gambia continued to monitor the existing school and community projects and began preparation for applications to alternative funders.
- The remaining team have continued in post donating much of their time freely in order to retain the base office and shop in Jan Jan Bureh and continue to support, when they are able, the existing school and community projects. This continued in 2022. The

staff and trustees of Intouch Gambia are researching possible future funding opportunities.

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Kevin Bailey
Chair
Switched On Gambia

Switched On Gambia (Charity Number: 1172051) National Westminster Bank

Account 27972763

Budget Report 01/04/2021. - 31/03/2022

Date	Detail	In	Out	Balance
12/4/21	Andrew Jatta transfer		1500	3,695.23
2/6/21	Intouch Foundation	1500		5195.23
3/6/21	Andrew Jatta		1500	2195.23
5/7/21	Intouch Foundation	1500		3695.23
28/7/21	Andrew Jatta		1500	2195.23
2/8/21	Bailey	928.51		3123.74
10/8/21	Intouch Foundation	1500		4623.74
6/9/21	Intouch Foundation	1500		6123.74
10/9/21	HMRC		300	5823.74
17/9/21	Andrew Jatta		1500	4323.74
5/10/21	Andrew Jatta		1500	5823.74
5/11/21	Intouch Foundation	1500		7323.74
19/11/21	HMRC	100		7423.74
19/11/21	HMRC	200		7623.74
26/11/21	Andrew Jatta		3000	4623.74
3/12/21	Intouch Foundation	1500		6123.74
22/3/22	Andrew Jatta		3000	3123.74
Totals		10228.51	13800	3123.74

