

**Charity registration number 1174256**

**Company registration number 07818944 (England and Wales)**

**AWAMU**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

# AWAMU

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Charity number	1174256	
Company number	07818944	
Independent examiner	Lee, Dicketts & Co 3 East Point High Street Seal Sevenoaks Kent TN15 0EG	

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

### Objectives and activities

Awamu's mission is to supercharge the potential of women and girls in the slums of Kampala, Uganda. We invest in them – their education, skills and healthcare. And as they rise they take their communities with them.

The objectives of Awamu are, for the public benefit:

To relieve poverty to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient; to advance education; and to advance health; in each case for the benefit of orphaned and/or vulnerable children and women (in particular, but not limited to, guardians of orphaned and vulnerable children) in Africa.

### Where we work

The slum areas of Kawempe division in Kampala, are some of the poorest, most densely populated areas of the city. Thousands of families subsist on less than 50p per day, and more than 90,000 people live without basic services such as water, shelter and sanitation. 40% of households here are involved in sex work, and HIV levels for young people are almost double Uganda's average.

An estimated 75% of children drop out before the end of primary school, often leaving to secure paid work but without the knowledge and skills to do so. The closure of schools due to the Covid pandemic lasted 2 years and many girls in particular did not return after reopening. Youth unemployment, already 83% before the pandemic, has risen sharply and girls are often forced into dangerous situations to try and make ends meet. Girls also lack access to contraception and sexual and reproductive health services and information - 51% of adolescents said they were unable to access their preferred family planning method at health centres.



*Your support is helping child mothers & survivors of violence to recover and thrive.*

During lockdown, 60% of girls experienced sexual violence. Child motherhood soared with sexual violence accounting for at least 50% of these pregnancies. 75% of child mothers do not get proper antenatal and postnatal healthcare because girls fear being stigmatised and shamed at public health facilities. Most also struggle to return to

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school or access training due to social stigma, enrolment policies and lack of financial support.

In response to the challenges faced by girls in Kawempe slums, Awamu supports them with solutions that address their unique needs, responsibilities and perspectives. Alongside our long-term partners in Uganda, we invest in girls' education, provide life-saving access to girl-friendly healthcare and equip them with required skills they need for a living, access to services and to take back control of their lives.

Since 2008, AWAMU has closely worked with Tusitukirewamu, a registered non-governmental organisation started in 1998 by a group of local women in Kawempe. Tusitukirewamu has a long-running network of community-based women volunteers, and a trusted reputation and networks with community members, local leaders and service providers.

### Message from our trustees

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#### We're on this journey together - thank you

Dear Friend, On behalf of all at Awamu I would like to say a very special thank you to everyone who has supported Awamu, some since more than 12 years ago even before we were officially registered as a charity. We truly appreciate everything you do to support Awamu and stand by girls in the slums of Kampala.

The year (2022-23) was a period of change and investment in strengthening our own and our partners' operations. We had a clear focus to grow our impact and forge forward with our plans to reverse some of the impacts that Covid and multiple lockdowns have had on the communities we work with. As a supporter of Awamu, you'll know that adolescent girls have amongst the worst affected and for some, life has become dangerous. This is why we have shifted our focus on supporting those that our research showed are the most vulnerable - survivors of sexual violence and child mothers.

2022-23 is the year in which we have begun to see the fruits of our detailed and thoughtful strategic planning. This year we have raised more funds than ever before, meaning we have been able to launch key new projects to respond to the urgent needs of the most vulnerable girls in Kawempe.

It's been a huge and focused effort by the team and we thank all our supporters - new and long-term - for choosing to stand by girls in the slums of Kampala. With your support we have helped thousands escape violence, return to school, gain the skills they need to earn a living and access life-saving healthcare.

I hope you enjoy reading more about what you have helped to achieve in this report. We could not have achieved this without you walking by our side. Thank you.



Justus Rugambwa, Trustee

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

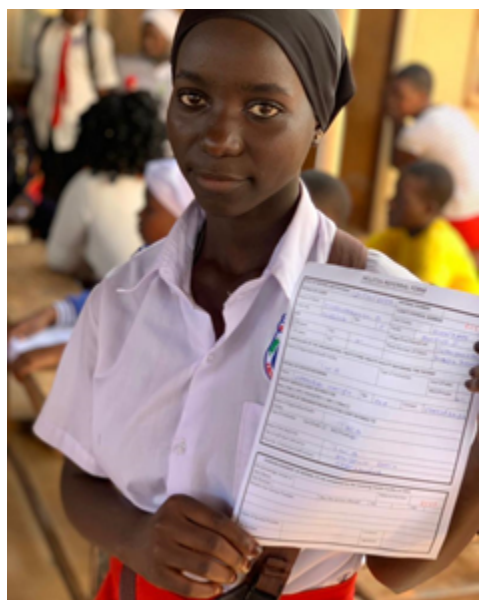
### Achievements and performance

#### **Our programmes and impact this year**

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##### **Girl-friendly healthcare**

Our experienced team provides 'girl-friendly' sexual and reproductive healthcare and safe motherhood services. Girls are supported to know their HIV status and access the medication they need. The team operates an open-door surgery from their office as well as running drop-in health surgeries within communities and outreach activities in schools. Girls are encouraged to become peer educators to combat stigma and share sexual and reproductive healthcare information with their communities.



For girls who have experienced sexual violence, through our 'Nansamba Safe Haven' shelter we provide them with overnight accommodation and emergency post-rape care and support including; DNA swabs, emergency medical care, trauma recovery support/counselling, plus help to access legal aid and support with reporting crimes to the police. The team has decades of experience working with children & vulnerable adults in volatile situations and have specialist psychosocial and counselling officers.

- 442 girls found safety and support at our Nansamba safe haven (our refuge)
- 666 girls were treated at our confidential 'Girl Friendly' drop-in clinic sessions (more than 90% of girls from our education and skills training programmes also use the clinic on a regular basis).
- The team delivered:
  - 11 community health outreaches with two qualified health workers treating 770 sexual transmitted and opportunistic diseases, testing and referrals for further investigation or treatment.
  - 6 targeted school outreaches treating more than 350 secondary aged girls and boys
  - They took part in two community radio talks reaching thousands of local listeners across Kawempe with vital health information.
  - Trained 5 boys and 5 girls were as peer leaders – champions of sexual reproductive health in local schools we work with (reaching a further 700 young women and girls)

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### Education

We support girls to re-join school wherever possible, to enable them to access an education and directly cover school fees for a small number of children in the most serious situations. Alongside this, our new catch-up schools programme is specifically aimed at child mothers and sexual violence survivors aged under 18 who have dropped out of school.

Through the catch-up programme, girls are supported to gain confidence, re-establish the skills they need for successful learning (including reading, writing, study techniques), build a peer support network and access counselling and sexual and reproductive healthcare. By the end of the three-month programme, they are supported to re-join mainstream education at our partner schools. We work closely with our schools, providing training to ensure they provide a welcoming and supportive environment for girls. Girls re-joining school also benefit from school materials (stationery/books), ongoing counselling, and regular mentoring support from our community mentors to build resilience, address any issues and ensure girls feel supported and able to continue their education. To ensure families are supportive of girls re-joining education, we undertake caregiver and wider community engagement (public meetings, social media, live drama, community radio shows, school outreaches) to combat stigma and build support. Caregivers of girls are encouraged to join our skills training programmes to generate income to support the family and reduce pressure on girls to work rather than attending school.

- 84 girls completed our new catch up education programme and have been supported to successfully enrol back into mainstream school. To date we have had no dropouts of girls enrolled and their performance is good. Re-joining mainstream school will have huge benefits for these girls. They are less likely to marry young and more likely to lead healthy, productive lives. They are likely to earn higher incomes, participate in the decisions that most affect them, and build better futures for themselves and their families (UNICEF, 2023).
- 120 children continue to be supported through school via our long-running education programme. This year we celebrated 8 children graduating from secondary school.

### Stories of change from our education programme



*"For the first time since before lockdown I'm dreaming again. I already imagine myself as a nurse. This is something I haven't let myself think about since schools closed during lockdown"* \*Winny, 15 years, one of the first students at our Catch-Up Education Centre

*"From day one, I saw girls were eager to learn. The first step is to rebuild confidence. We are targeting girls who've experienced sexual violence or forced into early marriages. They've had a trauma & are experiencing stigma within their communities. People believe girls shouldn't come back to school. Thank you to Awamu supporters for believing in our girls"* - Ollie Beatrice, Specialist Teacher at our catch-up education centre.



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*"I want to remove the injustices and the biases which women face. I'm dreaming of becoming a lawyer so I can bring equality to women and girls. Even now I encourage both girls and boys to fight for their rights and work hard in education so that we may fight against the injustices together" \*Julia, 13 years, from our long-term education support programme shares her ambitions for the future.*

### **Skills training**

Where girls are unable to return to school or choose not to, we provide skills training to enable them to earn an income and to support their families. Training is focused on tailoring, a skill in great demand in the local area, alongside small business management, basic numeracy and computer literacy, with childcare provided. Trainees are connected with local organisations seeking workers and/or sources of business start-up capital - equipping them with all they need to set up a business or secure employment, and generate a sustainable income.



- 120 girls have now graduated from our intensive 6 month skills training programme this year.
- In January, we made significant changes to our training programme from previous skills training we have delivered. We have supported our partner to build partnerships with Uganda Small Scale Industrial Association (USSIA) and the Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT Uganda). We have aligned our training modules to theirs and our new target for this programme is to help girls pass their DIT assessments. This ensures a high level of professionalism that is recognised nationally, regionally and internationally. Giving girls a greater chance of starting their businesses or gaining employment.
- An additional 54 girls took part in a new 'Rapid skills' training programme, these are two-day informal training in baking, soap making or sponge making for girls whose situations do not allow them to complete a 6-month training programme. Through this training, girls learn a skill that they can use to earn money quickly without a large start-up cost.
- 20 girls from the course were completely illiterate which meant they struggled to follow parts of the course (for example writing invoices). The team have put together a programme of Functional Adult Literacy (FAL) classes to enable them to complete their training. It took this group of girls just a month longer to complete the course than originally planned, and they graduated in September 23 after they completed their final module to the satisfaction of our trainers.
- 72 youth took part in our two part 'Entrepreneurs Workshops' designed to equip young women with the skills and knowledge needed to create and write a great business plan with a view to applying for funding in the future.
- To strengthen the ability caregivers of the girls in our catch-up education programme to earn an income and take care of their families, as well as reduce the pressure on girls themselves to work, we offered training in business and entrepreneurship to support them to develop their small business skills. 51 (61%) guardians have taken part in training so far.



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*'I felt shame I couldn't read'* Literacy and numeracy is a key part of our tailoring course giving child mothers and survivors of sexual violence. Helping girls to live without fear and create the future they want.

**Our programmes focus on long-term impact. By addressing the key challenges girls and women face, our programmes equip them with all they need to stay healthy, earn a sustainable living & take back control of their lives.**

### **Building capacity and resilience of our partners**

One of Awamu's key strategic goals is to 'shift the power' to our long-term grassroots partner Tusitukirewamu. Building their skills and capacity and investing resources and support to help them become a resilient, financially sustainable and independent organisation, empowered to use their expert, local knowledge to make decisions about how they work, how they design programmes and who they are accountable to.

In the time we have partnered with them they have been able to move from an informal group to a CBO (Community Based Organisation) and are now a registered Uganda NGO. We continue to support Tusitukirewamu to build sustainable, local income streams, to diversify their funding base. As part of our strategic plan to grow impact and income, we have invested time and resources to help them develop a new strategic plan & resource mobilisation strategy which has resulted in some significant direct funding for them.

We're excited to see the progress they are making and continue to support them for the coming year to strengthen their policies and procedures including finance, monitoring, evaluation and learning, safeguarding and child protection and HR systems.

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### Fundraising

With our ambitious strategic plan in place, we have been able to increase our income in order to grow our impact. We raised £229,979 - 400% up on the previous year (180% higher than our previous highest ever income year).

Income continues to be generated from a broad and diverse range of sources including both new and existing donors, supporters and corporate partners.

Some key activities were:

- We continue to invest in trust fundraising to help diversify our income and we have built a strong pipeline for future grants
- We received our largest grant – 100,000 euros received of 150,000 grant from L'Oréal Fund for Women for new strategic projects
- We had our best ever ticket sales for Together 2022 for our first 'real life' event since pre Covid. We raised £18,656 from Together 2022 with more other donations coming directly to Awamu
- We have built relationships with some key high value donors and run our first matched giving (Big Give appeal). With support from our friends at Purple Radio who helped us run a weekend long radio event, we smashed our target raising £22,943. Huge thanks to everyone that donated and to the Coles Medlock Foundation for matching every donation.

### Events and risk management

The income from Together Festival 2022 falls into this year under review. The event is housed within Together Festival Limited (09919482) and profits are then donated over to Awamu in the following weeks once income and expenditure is finalised. Awamu holds 100% of the shares directly and Together is its formal trading subsidiary.

### Risk statement

The trustees have reviewed the risks to which a small charity operating with few employees is exposed. Appropriate procedures are in place to identify, monitor and review these risks on a regular basis.

One of the biggest risks to our fundraising for 2023 is the global cost of living crisis. Negative impacts of this on the UK economy, coupled with a rise in energy and food prices, could subsequently impact the ability of donors to make donations, which would adversely affect our ability to meet our income target for 2023-24. Increased costs from suppliers due to the cost-of-living crisis means that our expenditure may increase outside of planned budgets. The fluctuations in the value of the British Pound mean that the exchange rate could remain poor, meaning we receive less Ugandan Shillings per British Pound, so hard-won funds raised doesn't go as far. Rising food and energy prices in Uganda will mean that our programmes may become more expensive to run, and we may see an increased demand for our services as more families are pushed into poverty.

### Financial review

Recognising the need to grow to serve more people, in the last financial year the Board of Trustees chose to invest in building capacity within Awamu and our partner organisation to ensure that the charity would have momentum going into our new strategic plan. This strategy is now bearing fruit. Awamu's income has grown by 400% on the last year (180% higher than our previous highest ever income year). The trustees remain satisfied as to the performance of the charity and are thrilled that the team hit the ambitious target to more than double our income to advance our new strategic objectives.

The CEO and team have worked tirelessly to secure new partnerships and grants to support our vital work with vulnerable girls including securing our largest grant to date - 150,000 euros from L'Oreal Fund for Women (£100k of which fell into this financial year). The trustees are confident that the team are on track to sustain their increase in order to grow our impact on the girls' lives in Kampala.

We to give special thanks to L'Oreal and L'Oreal Fund For Women, Evan Cornish Foundation, Allan and Nesta Ferguson Charitable Trust, Brian Murtagh Charitable Trust, Fresh Leaf Charitable Foundation, Ashworth Trust, Waterloo Foundation, The Coles-Medlock Foundation, Hilden Charitable Fund, Souter Trust, Strathspey Charitable Trust, Carmela and Ronnie Pignatelli Foundation, Bryan Guinness Charitable Trust, Panram Trust, SE Franklin Charity, Gilchrist Education Trust, CB&HH Taylor Charitable Trust, Austin Bailey Foundation and The Community Of The Presentation Trust all of whom have made it possible to provide life changing services to vulnerable girls in the slums.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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We aim to keep reserves of at least three months' running costs to enable core activities to continue should the charity need to wind up operations completely, or should an unforeseen, significant and temporary shortfall in income and/or cash flow occur.

Unrestricted funds are made up of general funds totalling £10,507 that will cover 3 months of fundraising, support and governance costs, and designated funds totalling £67,913 which will cover 3 months of grants funding our core activities.

The reserves policies are reviewed by the trustees on an ongoing basis and the trustees will continue to monitor the reserves position closely.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and as noted previously are focused on ensuring that a wide range of funding options are available to the organisation, mitigating its reliance on particular income streams that might suffer a reduction for one reason or another. Last year we acknowledged that investment was required both within Awamu and its partners to build capacity to apply for, manage and deliver large scale projects, and have greater impact for women and girls in the slums. This has formed a key part of our strategic objectives for the next few years and activities that have taken part this year.

Regular review and auditing of our strategic partners in project delivery is undertaken, mitigating exposure on that front so far as is possible.

### Plans for future periods

During 2022-23 we made huge strides towards achieving the strategic goals set out in the previous year including driving our income to £300k by 2025.

Our strategic goals are based on an in-depth situation analysis within the communities we work with and evidence of our impact in recent years.

We will continue to learn and build on our new programmes:

- Providing vital skills and create opportunities for education/learning and economic development to build resilience for girls and their families
- Ensuring girls have access to child/girl friendly healthcare service and information
- Building safer community - end violence against women and girls in the slums
- Building the capacity of partners to become independent self-sustaining

Our plans for the next three years have been shaped by our strategic goals.

- Continue to increase and diversify income (both ours and directly to our partners) - enabling us to continue to apply for, manage and deliver large scale projects and have greater impact for women and girls in the slums
- Continue to build the resilience, preparedness, knowledge and skills of staff and volunteers in safeguarding, communicating and working with children/young people and applying innovative and methods to the work they deliver
- Continue to deepen our understanding of the needs of the most vulnerable in the communities where our partners work, especially girls and young people.
- Strive to reduce the risk of exploitation, neglect and abuse for children and young people in Kawempe

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### Structure, governance and management

The charity is a registered charity (Registration Number 1174256) and a company limited by guarantee (Registration Number 07818944), originally incorporated on 21 October 2011.

On the 14 August 2017, Awamu converted from a Community Interest Company (CIC) to a registered charity.

The charity is controlled by its governing document. The policy and operating decisions of the charity rest with the Trustees who meet at least quarterly (more during the developments of the strategic plan and implementation of new projects) to monitor the activities of the charity.

Trustees meet to discuss the progress of the organisation, strategic and financial decisions and plan for the future.

New trustees are recruited and appointed by a majority of existing trustees.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

C Altin	(Resigned 1 July 2022)
W Teuna Van Rijn	
P Walsh	(Resigned 20 January 2023)
J Rugambwa	
J Baker Nabwire	
M Dennis	(Appointed 20 January 2023)

Trustees are appointed with a view to ensuring that Awamu has a variety of experience including international development, business management, finance and fundraising. Periodically, we undertake a skills audit to identify areas where additional experience would be useful; the results of this exercise influence the appointment of new trustees. The board in consultation with the management undertakes the appointment of new trustees. All new trustees are provided with a comprehensive induction information pack and other relevant training so as to ensure that all trustees have an appropriate understanding of our responsibilities and the background to the current activities and key management issues of the organisation. They are also given the opportunity to visit programmes in Uganda and take part in UK based activities.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

### Qualifying third party indemnity provisions

The Board meets at least four times a year and is responsible for the overall direction of the charity and for core strategic policies, having regard to the advice of the trustees and other stakeholders including our partners and beneficiaries.

Where appropriate, we establish additional smaller committees whose membership is constituted of selected trustees with delegated authority from the full board to undertake detailed reviews, analysis or policy or programme development in conjunction with members of the management team and to report back findings and recommendations to the full board.

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The management team leader responsible for the day to day running of the organisation is Emma Scullion.

Awamu is based in the United Kingdom in London, and we have a long-term partner in Uganda – Tusitukirewamu (TWG), where projects are implemented.

The management team leader is responsible for the day to day running of the charity within the framework of clearly delegated powers and responsibilities agreed by the trustees. Strategic direction, operational plans and budgets are discussed and prepared jointly with the management team leader, partners in Uganda and the trustees.

Additionally, decisions of a strategic nature are discussed with the trustees to agree on actions and to shape and direct management thinking.

Our partner organisation is a locally registered NGO operated and managed by their own boards.

We share a common vision, mission and values as well as a commitment to adhering to mutually agreed policies and operating procedures. The senior management of Awamu and our partner operate as an 'International Management Team', meeting weekly to review progress and other matters arising.

These close relationships are an effective conduit for ensuring the efficient and effective delivery of programmes that meet the Charity's objectives, the trustees' and management's strategy.

This report provides full information about Awamu's aims, activities and achievements. We consider that this information demonstrates the clear benefits to our beneficiaries (and through them to wider sections of the public in Uganda, Africa) arising from our work.

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

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M Dennis  
Trustee



Date: .....26/2/2024.....

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## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF AWAMU

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We report to the trustees on our examination of the financial statements of Awamu (the charity) for the year ended 30 June 2023.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied ourselves that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, We report in respect of our examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination we have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

### Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

We 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 financial statements to be reached.

**Lee, Dicketts & Co**

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Dated: 26/02/2024

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

### Current financial year

		Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	Notes					
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	2	65,249	14,127	-	79,376	42,324
Charitable activities	3	7,049	133,390	10,000	150,439	3,685
Investments	4	164	-	-	164	1
<b>Total income</b>		<b>72,462</b>	<b>147,517</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>229,979</b>	<b>46,010</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising funds	5	9,957	-	-	9,957	2,894
Charitable activities	6	55,335	83,939	5,600	144,874	78,368
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>65,292</b>	<b>83,939</b>	<b>5,600</b>	<b>154,831</b>	<b>81,262</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>7,170</b>	<b>63,578</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>75,148</b>	<b>(35,252)</b>
Fund balances at 1 July 2022		3,337	4,335	-	7,672	42,924
<b>Fund balances at 30 June 2023</b>		<b>10,507</b>	<b>67,913</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>82,820</b>	<b>7,672</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.



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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

Prior financial year

		Unrestricted funds general 2022 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
	Notes				
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	42,324	-	-	42,324
Charitable activities	3	185	-	3,500	3,685
Investments	4	1	-	-	1
<b>Total income</b>		42,510	-	3,500	46,010
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds	5	2,894	-	-	2,894
Charitable activities	6	68,362	6,506	3,500	78,368
<b>Total expenditure</b>		71,256	6,506	3,500	81,262
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		(28,746)	(6,506)	-	(35,252)
Fund balances at 1 July 2021		32,083	10,841	-	42,924
<b>Fund balances at 30 June 2022</b>		3,337	4,335	-	7,672

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Investments	13		100		100
<b>Current assets</b>					
Stocks	14	625		625	
Cash at bank and in hand		86,266		10,351	
		<u>86,891</u>		<u>10,976</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	<u>(4,171)</u>		<u>(3,404)</u>	
Net current assets			82,720		7,572
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>82,820</u>		<u>7,672</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	17		4,400		-
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	18	67,913		4,335	
General unrestricted funds		<u>10,507</u>		<u>3,337</u>	
			78,420		7,672
			<u>82,820</u>		<u>7,672</u>

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 June 2023.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on .26/2/2024.....

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M Dennis  
Trustee



Company registration number 07818944

# AWAMU

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Awamu is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is .

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Turnover is measured at the point of receipt of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods provided in the normal course of business.

#### 1.5 Resources expended

The accruals basis is applied to all expenditure.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

**1 Accounting policies**

**(Continued)**

Expenditure has been allocated according to the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" and is shown under the appropriate sub-heading. Items of expenditure which involve more than one charitable activity, are allocated appropriately between the charitable activities involved on the basis of estimates made by the charity's management.

**1.6 Fixed asset investments**

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. The investments are assessed for impairment at each reporting date and any impairment losses or reversals of impairment losses are recognised immediately in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the charity. Control is the power to govern the financial and operating policies of the entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

**1.7 Stocks**

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

**1.8 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

**2 Donations and legacies**

	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Total Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Total Unrestricted funds general 2022 £
Donations and gifts	65,249	14,127	79,376	42,324

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

### 3 Charitable activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Sales within charitable activities	49	185
Grants receivable for charitable activities	150,390	3,500
	<u>150,439</u>	<u>3,685</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds - general	7,049	185
Unrestricted funds - designated	133,390	-
Restricted funds	10,000	3,500
	<u>150,439</u>	<u>3,685</u>

### 4 Investments

	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds general 2022 £
Interest receivable	<u>164</u>	<u>1</u>

### 5 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds general 2022 £
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>		
Seeking donations, grants and legacies	9,705	2,612
Other fundraising costs	242	258
	<u>9,947</u>	<u>2,870</u>
<u>Trading costs</u>		
Other trading activities	10	24
	<u>9,957</u>	<u>2,894</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

### 6 Charitable activities

	Education	Health	Economic development	Emergency response	Capacity building and training	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Project costs	1,261	-	-	-	-	1,261	-
Grant funding of activities (see note 8)	107,923	26,133	-	78	-	134,134	70,118
Share of support costs (see note 9)	1,125	191	82	1	7,570	8,969	6,278
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	410	70	30	-	-	510	1,972
	<u>110,719</u>	<u>26,394</u>	<u>112</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>7,570</u>	<u>144,874</u>	<u>78,368</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>							
Unrestricted funds - general	48,363	411	112	79	6,370	55,335	68,362
Unrestricted funds - designated	62,356	21,583	-	-	-	83,939	6,506
Restricted funds	-	4,400	-	-	1,200	5,600	3,500
	<u>110,719</u>	<u>26,394</u>	<u>112</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>7,570</u>	<u>144,874</u>	<u>78,368</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

#### 6 Charitable activities

(Continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	Education	Health	Economic development	Emergency response	Capacity building and training	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grant funding of activities (see note 8)	49,869	1,540	14,301	3,272	1,136	70,118
Share of support costs (see note 9)	788	24	226	52	5,188	6,278
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	1,403	43	402	92	32	1,972
	<u>52,060</u>	<u>1,607</u>	<u>14,929</u>	<u>3,416</u>	<u>6,356</u>	<u>78,368</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>						
Unrestricted funds - general	45,554	1,607	11,429	3,416	6,356	68,362
Unrestricted funds - designated	6,506	-	-	-	-	6,506
Restricted funds	-	-	3,500	-	-	3,500
	<u>52,060</u>	<u>1,607</u>	<u>14,929</u>	<u>3,416</u>	<u>6,356</u>	<u>78,368</u>



## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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#### 7 Description of charitable activities

##### Education

Education support is provided to allow vulnerable children to go to school. Support includes our 'catch-up education programme fast tracking out of school girls (especially child mothers and survivors of sexual violence) into mainstream education and paying tuition fees, providing uniforms and materials to go to school and supporting the work of trained child counselors to monitor, mentor and support children and caregivers.

##### Health

Support within the community for health activities includes the work of Community Volunteers who help orphaned, abandoned or abused children. They help vulnerable adults and children with referrals for HIV testing and access to ARTs, family planning, counseling sessions and support groups. The provision of girl friendly sexual reproductive health through inclusive drop in clinics for partners' offices. Community health outreaches - taking health workers and counselors into target areas of the community and local schools.

##### Economic development

Economic development activities include skills training for vulnerable girls (especially child mothers and those who have experienced sexual violence) as well as guardians.

There is real success amongst being part of this skills training programme allowing guardians to start saving money for their and their dependents futures, together with passing on these shared skills within the community to help all find a way out of poverty.

##### Emergency response

Help is provided in local emergency situations. This small fund provides emergency responses for destitute families in our communities where situations arise either from natural disasters or violence which may lead to a family losing their possessions or children left orphaned and destitute. Replacement of clothing, bedding and food or medical assistance may be provided. Trauma support counseling can be offered together with introduction to our education or skills training programme.

##### Capacity building and training

One of Awamu's key goals as an organisation is to **shift the power** to our grassroots partners, building their skills and capacity and investing resources and support to help them become a resilient, financially sustainable and independent organisation, empowered to use their expert, local knowledge to make decisions about how they work, how they design programmes and who they are accountable to. It's also vital that we support the to build sustainable, local income streams, to diversify their funding base.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

#### 8 Grants payable

	Education	Health	Emergency response	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Grants to institutions (7 grants):					
TWG	107,923	26,133	78	134,134	70,118

Our long-term partner in Uganda –Tusitukirewamu (TWG) is a Uganda registered NGO (Reg no. INDR154764515NB).

#### For the year ended 30 June 2022

	Education	Health	Economic development	Emergency response	Capacity building and training	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants to institutions (5 grants):						
TWG	49,869	1,540	14,301	3,272	1,136	70,118

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

### 9 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	Support costs	Governance costs	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Consultancy	7,570	-	7,570	5,170	-	5,170
Computer and website	654	-	654	548	-	548
Bank charges and PayPal fees	163	-	163	162	-	162
Office costs	569	-	569	385	-	385
Sundry expenses	13	-	13	13	-	13
Accountancy	-	510	510	-	510	510
Legal and professional	-	50	50	-	1,462	1,462
	<u>8,969</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>9,529</u>	<u>6,278</u>	<u>1,972</u>	<u>8,250</u>
Analysed between						
Fundraising	-	50	50	-	-	-
Charitable activities	<u>8,969</u>	<u>510</u>	<u>9,479</u>	<u>6,278</u>	<u>1,972</u>	<u>8,250</u>
	<u>8,969</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>9,529</u>	<u>6,278</u>	<u>1,972</u>	<u>8,250</u>

### 10 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

### 11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

### 12 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

### 13 Fixed asset investments

		Other investments
<b>Cost or valuation</b>		
At 1 July 2022 & 30 June 2023		100
<b>Carrying amount</b>		
At 30 June 2023		100
At 30 June 2022		100

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Other investments comprise:			
Investments in subsidiaries	21	100	100

### 14 Stocks

	2023 £	2022 £
Raw materials and consumables	275	275
Finished goods and goods for resale	350	350
	625	625

### 15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings	3,661	828
Other creditors	-	2,066
Accruals and deferred income	510	510
	4,171	3,404

### 16 Retirement benefit schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

**17 Restricted funds**

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 1 July 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 30 June 2023 £
Nansamba Safe Haven fund	-	-	-	10,000	(5,600)	4,400
Economic Empowerment programme	3,500	(3,500)	-	-	-	-
	<u>3,500</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>(5,600)</u>	<u>4,400</u>

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given.

In this case the funds were given by trusts as follows:

Year-ended 30 June 2022

Community of the Presentation Trust - £1,000 toward our Economic Empowerment programme for girls

Evan Cornish Foundation - £2,500 towards Economic Empowerment programme for girls and Sexual Reproductive Health girls (child mothers and survivors of sexual violence) in Bwaise slum.

Year-ended 30 June 2023

Waterloo Foundation - £10,000 towards funding for access to girl friendly sexual reproductive healthcare including emergency post-rape care and support including DNA swabs, emergency medical care, trauma recovery support/counselling. The grant covers a two year period.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

#### 18 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 July 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 July 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 30 June 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donation income - education and vocational skills training	5,780	-	(1,445)	4,335	-	(1,445)	2,890
In memory giving - Nansamba Kyegombe	5,061	-	(5,061)	-	-	-	-
Catch up school costs	-	-	-	-	95,890	(60,910)	34,980
Safe Haven fund	-	-	-	-	51,627	(21,584)	30,043
	<u>10,841</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,506)</u>	<u>4,335</u>	<u>147,517</u>	<u>(83,939)</u>	<u>67,913</u>

Designated funds comprise:

**Education fund:** for supporting vulnerable children (especially girls - child mothers and survivors of sexual violence) to integrate into mainstream school to complete their education and access to girl friendly sexual reproductive healthcare and emotional support.

**Nansamba Safe Haven fund:** for our refuge (safe house) for girls escaping violence, economic empowerment (skills/business training centre) and access to girl friendly sexual reproductive healthcare including emergency post-rape care and support including DNA swabs, emergency medical care, trauma recovery support/counselling, plus help to access legal aid and support with reporting crimes to the police.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

### 19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
				<b>2023</b>				<b>2022</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 30 June 2023 are represented by:								
Investments	100	-	-	100	100	-	-	100
Current assets/(liabilities)	10,407	67,913	4,400	82,720	3,237	4,335	-	7,572
	<u>10,507</u>	<u>67,913</u>	<u>4,400</u>	<u>82,820</u>	<u>3,337</u>	<u>4,335</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,672</u>



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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### 20 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none) however the trustees draw attention to the income received from it's trading subsidiary Together Festival Limited as detailed in the Trustees' Report.

### 21 Subsidiaries

These financial statements are separate charity financial statements for Awamu.

Details of the charity's subsidiaries at 30 June 2023 are as follows:

Name of undertaking	Registered office	Nature of business	Class of shares held	% Held	
				Direct	Indirect
Together Festival Limited	England & Wales	Music festival	Ordinary shares	100.00	