

Talensi Community Development Foundation Trustees' Annual Report

Period: 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020
Registration Number: 1174922



Statement from the Chair

Welcome to the 2020 Annual Report for the Talensi Community Development Foundation.

2020 was a real challenge as the world faced the Covid19 pandemic. Ghana has been one of the countries least affected with borders shut and international travellers required to quarantine. At the time of writing this statement, we are hearing headlines of the devastating impact of Covid19 in India and South America. Trustees pray that the vaccines will be both available globally and effective against Covid19 and any mutations.

The pandemic inevitably had an impact on our ability to raise funds and meet as Trustees. We continued to receive donations from our supporters and had one fund-raising event; a sponsored 10k run by one of the Trustees.

In the Talensi District, schools were shut for an extended period due to Covid 19. Teachers attempted to keep in contact with pupils remotely and encourage them to continue their studies. The shut down also had an impact on investment on the school and ongoing works to enhance its facilities. £390 was spent on Microsoft Office software for computers and laptops gifted to the school from Worcester Royal Grammar School.

As the school returns in 2021, the Foundation made further resources available to continue investment in the school.

Reverend Owain Bell
Chair Talensi Community Development Foundation

Objectives

The objectives of the Talensi CDF are to work with and support the Talensi community to:

- i. ensure all young people can access and benefit from training and education
- ii. create opportunities for employment for all
- iii. provide financial and other assistance for the maintenance, improvement and provision of public amenities.
- iv. promote health and wellbeing

In delivering these activities, the Foundation invests in projects that are supported by the community and to sustainably harness and manage the natural resources of the area to help those facing hardship and for mutual benefit.

The Foundation's final objective is to promote and support dialogue between the Talensi community and others in the United Kingdom and elsewhere, to share learning and bring mutual charitable benefits. This may be through links between schools, health practitioners, business and community groups.

Activities and Achievements

Covid19 had a significant impact on Trustees and friends ability to meet and fundraise for the Charity and in the Talensi district much activity closed down including the schools and people remained in their villages. National government restricted travel and local health officials and NGO's promoted hand washing and mask wearing in public. As at April 2021, Ghana Health Service are reporting 91,928 cases and 77 deaths.(UK 1,876 deaths per million population, Ghana 25 deaths per million population)

The Trust had been able to secure £1,376 in donations during the year and funds will be passed to the School to build a plinth and gutter to protect the building once the school re-opens in 2021.

Related Party Disclosures

In managing the Talensi Community Development Foundation, Trustees receive no remuneration and have made no claims for travel or any other expenses.

Public Benefit

In selecting the Tongo Senior High School as a project to invest in, the Trustees had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and have been assured, and seen during visits by Trustees, photographs and communication with the Headmaster and Baare Chief, that the investment is benefiting young people from across the Talensi District. It is achieving this by helping them improve their future prospects to secure financial independence.

The majority of Trustees have no family links with the area of benefit. Where there are family links, the Trustees have ensured any personal benefit is incidental and family members are not the principal beneficiaries.

Financial Review

During the financial year 2020 the turnover of the charity was £1,376 (£1,841, 2019). This was received from interested parties who made donations to support the work of the foundation in the Talensi District, tax relief on donations and sponsored links on www.smile.amazon.com and Give as you Live.

With school closed for much of 2020 due to Covis19, it was difficult for the Foundation to invest in the continued development of the school. £390 was invested in Microsoft Office suit software gifted by the Worcester Royal Grammar School for the benefit of the Tongo Senior High School.

Other costs included £217 for the Website, and £60 for bank charges and room booking for meetings.

At the end of this accounting period there is £1,474 available to deliver charitable objectives. These funds are held the Talensi CDF Bank Account.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Talensi CDF is registered with the Charity Commissioners as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Registered Charity Number 1174922).

Apart from the first Trustees, each Trustee will be appointed for term of 4 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees. Trustees will be selected who have an interest in the objectives of the Foundation and the skills, knowledge and experience needed to support the effective governance, administration and promotion of the Talensi CDF.

For the period of this Annual report the Trustees where

Name	Position
Rev. Owain Bell	Chair
Linda Milligan	Treasurer
Lynn Plimley	Joint – Secretary
Ann Lindon	Joint – Secretary
Juliana Crowe	Trustee
Kim Bell	Trustee
Geoff Lindon	Trustee
Nicholas Parker	Trustee

Day to day management of the Charity is undertaken by Nicholas Parker with support from fellow Trustees as required.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Talensi Community Development Foundation
Other names used	Talensi CDF
Registered charity number	1174922
Contact email	talensi.cdf@gmail.com
Charity's principal address	43 Toronto Close Worcester, ENGLAND, WR2 4DD
Bankers	CAF Bank (Charity Aid Foundation) 25 Kings Hill Avenue West Malling, Kent, ENGLAND, ME19 4JQ

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Date		
Full name(s)	Rev. Owain Bell	Nick Parker
Position	Chair	Trustee



Talensi Community Development Foundation 1174922

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from 1/1/2020 To 31/12/2020

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Voluntary Donations (less CAF Donate Fees £10.34)	1,243			1,243	1,841
Amazon/Give as you live	61			61	
HMRC Gift Aid	71			71	11
Grant Income	0			0	0
Sub total (Gross income)	1,376			1,376	1,852
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
None				0	0
Sub total				0	0
Total receipts	1,376			1,376	1,852
A3 Payments					
Bank Fees (CAF) & Meeting rooms	60			60	125
Fees Website Hosting	217			217	176
Tongo Senior High School Building Fund	390			390	2,196
Sub total	667			667	2,497
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
None	0			0	
Sub total	0			0	
Total payments	667			667	2,497

Net of receipts/ (payments)	709			709	-645
A5 Transfers between funds	0			0	
A6 Cash funds last year end	765			765	1,410
Cash funds this year end	1,474			1,474	765

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in the Bank	1,474		765
	Total cash funds	1,474		765
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			OK
B2 Other monetary assets	HMRC Gift Aid due	nil		345.75
B3 Investment assets	Details Noe	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details None	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due	When due
Signed two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Owain Bell	Owain Bell (Chair)	7/5/2021	
	Nick Parker	Nick Parker	7/5/2021	