

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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| From | Period start date | | | To | Period end date | | |
| | 1 | August | 2021 | | 31 | July | 2022 |

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Gambia School Support

Other names charity is known by

GSS

Registered charity number (if any)

1176136

Charity's principal address

Goulds House

Greatham

Hampshire

Postcode

GU33 6HA

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

| | Trustee name | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for whole year | Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any) |
|----|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Jonathan Roderick Dale-Harris | Chairman | | |
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| 4 | Nicolas Stevenson | Secretary | | |
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Names of trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

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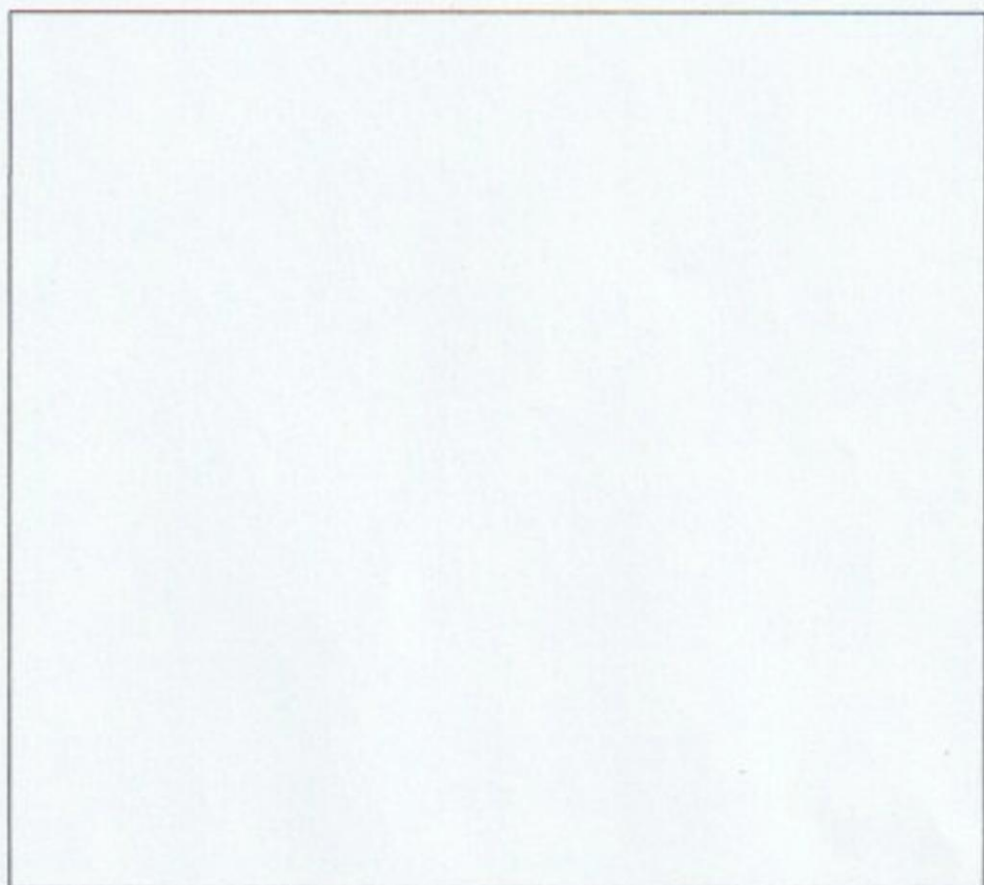
At present the schools have over 1,200 pupils enrolled.

As required by Section 17(5) of the Charities Act and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, the Charity Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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Section D

Achievements and performance

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Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees policy is to maintain 12 months reserves which currently amounts to £70,000.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
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Fundraising activities

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Jonathan Roderick Dale-Harris

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman

Date

14 September 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Gambia School Support

1176136

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/08/2020

To

Period end date
31/07/2021

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 £ | Last year to the nearest £ |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A1 Receipts | | | | | |
| Donations | 118,384 | - | - | 118,384 | 72,002 |
| Gift aid | 3,171 | - | - | 3,171 | 4,218 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 121,555 | - | - | 121,555 | 76,219 |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total receipts | 121,555 | - | - | 121,555 | 76,219 |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| Payments to AVI Schools charity | 72,000 | - | - | 72,000 | 67,500 |
| Bank charges | 127 | - | - | 127 | 87 |
| Travel expenses - Trustees | 4,373 | - | - | 4,373 | 1,023 |
| Other | 470 | - | - | 470 | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
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| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | 76,970 | - | - | 76,970 | 68,610 |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total payments | 76,970 | - | - | 76,970 | 68,610 |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | 44,585 | - | - | 44,585 | 7,609 |
| A5 Transfers between funds | - | - | - | - | - |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | 73,229 | - | - | 73,229 | 65,620 |
| Cash funds this year end | 117,814 | - | - | 117,814 | 73,229 |

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

| Categories | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| B1 Cash funds | Bank account | 117,814 | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
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| | Total cash funds | 117,814 | - | - |
| (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | | | | |

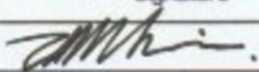
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| B2 Other monetary assets | | - | - | - |
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| | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
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| B3 Investment assets | | | - | - |
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| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | | | - | - |
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| | Details | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
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| B5 Liabilities | | | - | |
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Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

| Signature | Print Name | Date of approval |
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|  | J.R. DALE-HARRIS | 14/9/2022 |
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| Signature(s) |  | |
| Full name(s) | Jonathan Roderick Dale-Harris | |
| Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) | Chairman | |
| Date | 14 September 2022 | |