

WANJAWULO

England & Wales · Charity number 1176553

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-01-08

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

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES IN POOR RURAL AREAS OF UGANDA BY OPERATING AND MAINTAINING A SUPPORT CENTRE TO:- PROVIDE SERVICES, RELEVANT SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND RESOURCES TO SERVICE USERS AND THEIR FAMILIES- BUILD CAPACITY IN THE COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT ITS OWN MEMBERS AND FIND SOURCES OF MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT FOR THOSE IN THE COMMUNITY WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND LEARNING DIFFICULTIES- PROMOTE DISABILITY AWARENESS INCLUDING AWARENESS OF THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Activities: To relieve the needs of people with developmental disabilities in rural areas of Uganda by operating and maintaining a support centre to:-?????? Provide services, skills development and resources to service users and their families?-?????? Promote disability awareness including awareness of the rights of people with developmental disabilities

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Disability
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- Uganda

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	-	-	-	-
2024-03-31	-	-	-	-
2023-03-31	£202	£230	-	-
2022-03-31	£850	£867	-	-
2021-03-31	£2,853	£1,099	-	-
2020-03-31	£1,220	£777	-	-
2019-03-31	£858	£560	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ASHLEIGH JAYNE PADDON		2017-07-11
Jess Lauren Hannah		2019-09-25
Jessica Elizabeth Davies		2019-10-01
Luana Winston		2017-07-11
ROSEMARY BIRD		2017-07-11

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Wanjawulo Financial Summary 2022/2023

Balance Carried Over		
	Date	Amount
	4/5/2021	£ 1,487.64

Balance at Close	
£	1,459.40

Expenses					
Rec/Inv No	Date	Amount	Project Area	Spend Code	Description
1	4/19/2022	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	5/16/2022	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	6/15/2022	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	7/15/2022	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	8/15/2022	£ 5.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	9/15/2022	£ 5.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	10/17/2022	£ 5.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	11/15/2022	£ 5.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	12/15/2022	£ 5.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	1/16/2023	£ 5.00	11	WA	Account Fees
1	2/15/2023	£ 5.00	11	WA	Account Fees
	3/6/2023	£ 158.40	10	WA	Website hosting fee and domain
	3/15/2023	£ 5.00	11	WA	Account Fees

Total Outgoing	-£ 230.40
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Income			
Rec/Inv	Date	Amount	Source
	6/27/2022	£ 0.12	Interest
	9/26/2022	£ 0.49	Interest
	11/30/2022	£ 200.00	balance from Ashleigh
	12/28/2022	£ 0.76	interest
	3/27/2023	£ 0.79	interest

Total Income	£ 202.16
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Trustees annual report to Charity Commission – Wanjawulo April 2022 to March 2023

When we started the year in April 2022 we were hopeful that things were heading into a new normal with the visit by Winnie and Geoffrey spreading the word that we were still very much a quorum, keen to make positive change for the people in our little community. The families were happy and healthy and it was clear that for some, although transport and supplies had been in short supply, the impact of covid on their daily lives in the village was limited. Life continued as ever, people were happy and hopeful, farming was lucrative when the climate allowed and they were thrilled with the visits from Winnie and Geoffrey.

As a committee we met soon after this visit to discuss next steps and make plans for how we can move Wanjawulo forward into the new year. Despite the success of the trip by Winnie and Geoffrey, we acknowledged that the distance between their homes and Busu was causing costs to be almost inaccessible on a regular basis. It quickly became clear that making links with more established charities in the local area was the only way we could maintain the work of Wanjawulo on a more regular basis.

Our 2 aims for Wanjawulo during this year were:

- to continue to provide visits from Winnie and Geoffrey where possible
- to form better links with Musana so that the prospect of merging can become a real possibility

The committee members then set about formalising the discussions we had started with the bigger charities that we know in the area and beginning to broach the concept of a graduated take-over of sorts. Knowing that we can continue to provide funds (limited but consistent) but cannot maintain the work on the ground meant that we could offer what seemed a fairly exciting prospect for charities with ambitions to move their outreach into more rural communities. We were enthused to find that in initial discussions, teams were willing to engage in this offer and we began to make arrangements for a committee trip to establish a new route for the charity in May 2023.

In March 2023, we presented our plans to the landowner and he was immediately supportive of the concept, his own charity feeling the same disadvantages of international working as we were. This allowed us to plan our May 2023 trip with new found hope of Wanjawulo becoming a subsidiary of a larger charity.

Our aims for the charity in the new year are:

- to visit the charities in person (Musana and Ekisa specifically) to make plans for a merger
- to liaise with the landowner to streamline our plans for the building and land collaboratively

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In April 2021, the world was beginning to look a bit more open and the volunteers and trustees of Wanjawulo started to focus on making a new trip to Wanjawulo to assess the damage caused by Covid to the community and to the buildings on the site. The landowner had visited and was confident of structural integrity but the trustees were keen to see things for themselves. However, this soon became little more than a pipe dream as Covid continued to ravage the African nations and little comfort was being drawn from the increasingly questionable vaccination program spreading across Uganda.

With second and third lockdowns happening in Uganda and the UK and then the unsettling nature of the Ugandan general election, we were forced to stop visits from the Ugandan team once again and 'sit and wait' for the upheaval to cease. All the while maintaining a close eye on the progress of our colleagues in the bigger Iganga and Jinja charities.

This continued upheaval in Uganda made us even more certain that the only real future for Wanjawulo lies in the hands of finding an umbrella organisation 'on the ground' that we can link with and make more secure future plans with. Suddenly the distance between Uganda and the UK has felt vaster than ever and we are struggling to negotiate movements for our Ugandan team because of their lack of proximity to Busu themselves.

Our 2 aims for Wanjawulo during this year were:

- to re-establish visits to Busu by Ugandan team
- to formalise links with bigger charities in Iganga and Jinja to discuss further support links

We were finally able to re-establish travel for Winnie and Geoffrey in March 2022 and they made a trip to the village to provide a linking session for the families, bringing everyone back together and establishing what have been the main impacts for the families of the lock and tumultuous journey that has been Covid. What was reassuring for this visit was that all of the children registered to the charity were seen by Winnie and Geoffrey and they all wanted Wanjawulo back up and running in a more positive manner.

On a more positive note, having the CAF bank account has allowed us to be much more clear in our banking and it's been great to have a more structured approach to the finances of the charity. This will lead us in good stead to proceed with more visits in the upcoming months.

Our aims for the charity in the new year are:

- to continue to provide visits from Winnie and Geoffrey where possible
- to form better links with Musana so that the prospect of merging can become a real possibility

Wanjawulo Financial Summary 2021/2022

Balance Carried Over		
	Date	Amount
	04/05/2021	£ 1,541.00

Balance at Close	
£	1,523.88

Expenses						
Rec/Inv No	Date	Amount	Project Area	Spend Code		
1	04/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	05/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	06/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	07/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	08/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	09/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	10/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	11/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	12/15/2021	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
1	01/15/2022	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
2	03/12/2022	£ 111.75	10	WA	Website hosting fee	
3	03/12/2022	£ 39.78	10	WA	Domain fee	
1	02/15/2022	£ 8.00	11	WA	Account Fees	
4	03/31/2022	£ 602.59	mixed	G	Payment for visit to B	
4	03/31/2022	£ 25.00	11	WA	Transfer Fee	

Total Outgoing	-£ 867.12
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Income			
Rec/Inv	Date	Amount	Source
	10/15/2021	£ 250.00	
	02/17/2022	£ 600.00	Torbay Minibuses

Total Income	£ 850.00
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April 2020 was a scary place for everyone and it became clear very quickly that we were not going to be able to visit Uganda in the coming months. A volunteer trip booked for April 2020 was cancelled and Geoffrey and Winnie were both stuck in different parts of the capital while policies were changing daily.

The UK lockdown forced the committee to withdraw travel plans and the uncertainty in Uganda meant that we were seeing a constantly changing picture. Travel outside of the home environment was prohibited and we were forced to sit and wait; maintaining minimal contact with those in the village as communication lines were severed. Schools closed in Uganda and public transport was suspended with travel across the country only permitted intermittently in private vehicles.

Our 3 aims for Wanjawulo during this year were:

- To fence off and secure the Wanjawulo space at Suubi and begin to be more creative about how this can be used to better manage the sessions
- To make links with Musana who are a big charity in Iganga, with visits and preliminary discussions around whether any collaboration is possible
- To resume the frequency of sessions and begin to explore ways of making this even more regular

All trips for UK volunteers planned for 2020 were cancelled and overnight our priorities changed to ensuring the safety and health of our families. Covid was a massive concern in the community of Busu; any infection would have travelled with speed through the hamlets, potentially causing widespread deaths of our already vulnerable group. We were not in a position to mobilise Winnie and Geoffrey with travel banned and were forced to watch and wait until restrictions meant travel was possible.

In June, restrictions were lifted enough to allow a quick visit by Winnie and Geoffrey in which we supported them in distributing some essential supplies to the families that had been village-bound throughout the lockdown period. This was a great success and families were delighted to receive the donations of sugar, rice, flour, soap and matches. Just after this, Uganda was plunged back into lockdown and restrictions were tighter than ever.

On a more positive note, we finally managed to get the Wanjawulo bank account set up with CAFbank, using the very generous donations of the team around the charity. This has been a long-standing bugbear for us; being such a small team and a small charity, it was extremely difficult to gain the support of a bank.



CAFbank have been really helpful and it will be great to be able to send funds in a more proper manner.

In September, the situation globally was mellowing again so a series of welfare checks were initiated by the UK team. We were able to provide the Ugandan team with an online survey to support their visit and to allow our analysis of answers provided. This was a useful task and one which provided us with some new directions for our work. It also guided us in which questions were worth asking as some drew monumental blanks, and others misguided idealism!

Covid continued to scupper our plans and we were forced back into an extended period of 'watch and wait' as the world tackled waves 2, 3 and onwards. It meant we had to keep whatever contact we could with the Ugandan team but even this was difficult for periods. The Ugandan general election in January 2021 led to the country being put on the red list and security being a main concern for the families and for us in asking Winnie and Geoffrey to move about. This political halt to proceedings meant we weren't able to facilitate any further visits from the Ugandan team this year.

Our priorities for the following year are:

- to re-establish visits to Busu by Ugandan team
- to formalise links with bigger charities in Iganga and Jinja to discuss further support links

