

# **Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023-31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

**Charity Name** - Rwanyana Community Trust

**Registered charity number** - 1177712

**Charity's Principal address** - 8 Wingfield Close, S18 8RL

**Name of charity trustees who manage the charity**

- Stuart Marriott (Chair)
- Mandy Kemp (Secretary)
- Martyn Kemp (Treasurer)
- David Bevan
- Barbara Marriott
- Doris Stubbs
- Alison Fletcher
- Keith Fletcher
- Neil Hughes

**Type of Governing Document** - Trust Deed

**How the charity is constituted** - Charitable trust

**Charity trustee selection method** - Appointed by existing trustees

**Summary of the objectives of the charity** - Education and poverty relief in the village of Rwanyana in Uganda

**Summary of main activities undertaken**

In view of the trust's aims of supporting education and relief of poverty in the village of Rwanyana in Uganda the trust has, in summary, supported the running of the Bevan Community School, a hostel for 16 needy children and a clinic serving the basic medical needs of the village population, thus reducing the financial burden for villagers who otherwise would have to travel away for treatment.

In order to achieve these aims, the trust has established some secure continuing funding supported by other one off activities.

## **Bevan Community School**

Bevan Community School was started as a nursery in 2013 by Grace Bevan, who was brought up in the village, but now lives in South Yorkshire with her husband and family. The school now has a full complement of three nursery classes and seven primary classes. This year four of our graduates are studying their second year at a local technical college and another is in his third year at secondary school. They are fully supported by the trust and sponsors. In theory Bevan Community School is a fee paying school giving a wider range of educational experiences to the pupils than can normally be offered in a village government school. However, there is a great deal of extreme poverty in the village so some parents contribute in kind or by offering their labour. However, this is not sufficient to run the school efficiently and some very needy pupils are sponsored by individuals in UK. At the time of writing, 70 pupils are sponsored. They, via the school administrators, receive £25 per month each, which goes towards their uniform, the two meals per day the school offers and a contribution towards the running of the school.

## The Hostel

As a result of a very generous donation from an individual donor, we were able to provide funding for the construction and furnishing of a hostel for 16 very needy children, selected by the Project Director and his wife. The hostel is built directly adjacent to the home of this couple so that the children effectively become part of the larger family, being involved in the day to day running of the whole compound. All of the children in the hostel are sponsored so a contribution is already made towards their upkeep. One sponsor provides a regular contribution to the general running of the hostel.

## The Clinic

In July 2018 the son of two of the trustees died and they pledged to raise money for a clinic to be set up in the village in his name. The fund raising for this project was very successful. In January 2019 the clinic began operation. Annually. The Community Nurse, Brenda, sees over 1000 patients for minor complaints and refers a number of patients to government clinics. She also arranges classes for women in the village on health, hygiene and nutrition.

## Summary of Main Achievements.

The section above entitled **Main Activities** does in fact summarise the main achievements of the trust but below we set out some more detailed facts and figures.

70 children are sponsored by UK donors to the tune of £25 per month. Sponsors receive regular letters and photographs of the children through the medium of Whatsapp.

Two donors pay for the salary of the community nurse.

Two donors cover the cost of materials for the clinic.

One donor has pledged to top up the fund covering costs of transporting patients to hospital and paying for necessary extras.

In summary, as a result of the trust's activities, approximately 250 children receive a level of education otherwise denied them and enjoy 2 nutritious meals per day; 16 vulnerable children live in a safe and loving environment; approximately 1000 villagers were treated for minor complaints. Furthermore, during the previous reporting period, the community nurse began 2 new initiatives supported by the trust. Firstly, a family planning service for villagers and secondly a monthly gathering of elderly people living in remote and isolated parts of the community. They come together for socialisation, health advice, a nutritious meal and usually a small present of perhaps salt or skin cream. It is an immensely popular service. To facilitate these initiatives the trust paid for a family planning clinic/ community hall at a cost of £1600

A new clinic has been built to replace the old one which was not large enough to meet the demands of the village and the new initiatives we expect. HIV and malaria scanning are now offered. Furthermore, a fully funded special needs group is now in operation. A supply of menstrual cups have been provided for the older girls in the school.

Apart from the day to day running costs of the project as a whole, the following demands have been covered this year.

- Text books for the school
- A lap top for the school administrator
- Materials for making uniforms
- Refurbishment of latrines at the school
- New classroom furniture
- A new latrine block for the hostel

- Improvements to the hostel kitchen
- The special needs group is now running regularly following a 'camp' led by one of the trustees
- Almost £2,000 was raised to provide food parcels for the needy at Christmas
- We supported the rebuilding of the house of a vulnerable villager after a disastrous fire.

In order to cover the costs of the above items, apart from the regular donations we receive from supporters, there were two major fundraising events. Three trustees plus one dog did a sponsored walk in North Wales, raising around £1,100.

The folk singer, Maryen Cairns presented a series of musical evenings raising around £2,300. We also received some substantial one-off donations from other donors.

### **Policy on Reserves**

The trust, because of its small size does not have a policy on reserves as the majority of income is spent to cover immediate cost.

### **Signatures**

Stuart Marriott (Chair)



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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| Charity Name<br>Rwanyana Community Trust | No (if any)<br>1177712 |
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## Receipts and payments accounts

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| For the period<br>from | Period start date<br>01/04/2023 | To | Period end date<br>31/03/2024 |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|

### Section A Receipts and payments

|                                                       | Unrestricted funds<br>to the nearest<br>£ | Restricted funds<br>to the nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to the nearest £ | Total funds<br>to the nearest £ | Last year<br>to the nearest £ |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                                    |                                           |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
| Child/School sponsorship                              | 1,463                                     | 19,755                               | -                                   | 21,218                          | -                             |
| One-off donations                                     | 8,652                                     |                                      | -                                   | 8,652                           | -                             |
| Emergency relief                                      |                                           |                                      | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| Gift Aid                                              | 2,875                                     |                                      | -                                   | 2,875                           | -                             |
| Emergency Relief                                      |                                           | 1,560                                | -                                   | 1,560                           | -                             |
| Emergency Medical                                     |                                           | 800                                  | -                                   | 800                             | -                             |
| Clinic                                                |                                           | 16,230                               | -                                   | 16,230                          | -                             |
| Special Needs Group                                   |                                           | 1,555                                | -                                   | 1,555                           | -                             |
|                                                       |                                           |                                      | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| Solar                                                 |                                           | 100                                  | -                                   | 100                             | -                             |
| <b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>                | <b>12,990</b>                             | <b>40,000</b>                        | <b>-</b>                            | <b>52,990</b>                   | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>    |                                           |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                                 | <b>12,990</b>                             | <b>40,000</b>                        | <b>-</b>                            | <b>52,990</b>                   | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>A3 Payments</b>                                    |                                           |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
| School/Hostel                                         | 7,033                                     | 16,155                               | -                                   | 23,188                          | -                             |
| Clinic                                                |                                           | 5,270                                | -                                   | 5,270                           | -                             |
| Special Needs Group                                   |                                           | 1,514                                | -                                   | 1,514                           | -                             |
| Hostel running costs                                  | 3,423                                     |                                      | -                                   | 3,423                           | -                             |
| Emergency Relief                                      |                                           | 2,295                                | -                                   | 2,295                           | -                             |
| Emergency Medical                                     |                                           | 860                                  | -                                   | 860                             | -                             |
| Personal gifts                                        |                                           |                                      | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| Building Maintenance                                  |                                           |                                      | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| Capital Works                                         | 3,862                                     | 10,935                               | -                                   | 14,797                          | -                             |
| Solar                                                 |                                           | 472                                  | -                                   | 472                             | -                             |
| Post Primary Sponsorship                              | 1,720                                     | 3,240                                | -                                   | 4,960                           | -                             |
| Miscellaneous                                         | 572                                       | -                                    | -                                   | 572                             | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>16,610</b>                             | <b>40,741</b>                        | <b>-</b>                            | <b>57,351</b>                   | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b> |                                           |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Total payments</b>                                 | <b>16,610</b>                             | <b>40,741</b>                        | <b>-</b>                            | <b>57,351</b>                   | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>                     | <b>- 3,620</b>                            | <b>- 741</b>                         | <b>-</b>                            | <b>- 4,361</b>                  | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>                     | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>                    | <b>20,003</b>                             | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>20,003</b>                   | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>                       | <b>16,383</b>                             | <b>- 741</b>                         | <b>-</b>                            | <b>15,642</b>                   | <b>-</b>                      |

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

| Categories                                                  | Details                                                | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| B1 Cash funds                                               | Co-Op business account                                 | 15,643                             | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             | <b>Total cash funds</b>                                | 15,643                             | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | Agreement Error                    | Agreement Error                  | OK                              |
| B2 Other monetary assets                                    | Details                                                | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
|                                                             |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
| B3 Investment assets                                        | Details                                                | Fund to which asset belongs        | Cost (optional)                  | Current value (optional)        |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use                | Details                                                | Fund to which asset belongs        | Cost (optional)                  | Current value (optional)        |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
| B5 Liabilities                                              | Details                                                | Fund to which liability relates    | Amount due (optional)            | When due (optional)             |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |
|                                                             |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |
| Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees | Signature                                              | Print Name                         | Date of approval                 |                                 |
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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Rwanyana Community Trust.**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Rwanyana Community Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report.**

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement.**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I 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 accounts to be reached.



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Date: 17th December 2024