



Water for Kids

Helping people get safe drinking water for the first time

Annual Report Including Accounts

Year to 31st March 2023

Charitable Incorporated Organisation Number: 1178084



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Charity Information

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| Trustees | Sara Emanuel Greg Warwick Patrice Panella Jason Cox Tom Jackson Barbara Lucas Parvez Bhatti (resigned September 2022) Elaine Rudman Favour Nyikosa (appointed & resigned 2022) | Chair Vice Chair Secretary Treasurer |
| Fundraiser / Administrator | Emma Hill-Brookes (resigned July 2022) | |
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Water for Kids

Annual Report 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023

1. The Charity's Object

The preservation and protection of the health and wellbeing of children and communities in low income countries through the provision of safe water, good sanitation and other related public health measures where current provision is absent or inadequate.

2. Governance

Water for Kids' governance is laid down in its Constitution dated 24 April 2018. The policy and operating decisions of Water for Kids are decided by the trustees, who meet three times a year and hold online meetings on three other occasions in the year.

In 2018 the charity changed its status using Charity Commission guidance, to a Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

New trustees are elected each year by the Board of Trustees at its AGM. The charity uses Charity Commission guidance to assist with choosing new Trustees, taking into account how their skills and experience match identified needs. Co-opted Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees. The current trustees are listed above.

3. Policy for Overseas Projects

Water for Kids adopts a holistic approach to the prevention of waterborne disease which we call the 'three-legged stool'. The first leg is the provision of safe water, the second is ensuring there is improved sanitation and the third is hygiene education. The Board of Trustees always considers the provision of water, sanitation (toilets, hand washing facilities etc.), hygiene education, community involvement and sustainability before agreeing to fund a project. This approach is effective in reducing the spread of disease and in saving lives.

Water for Kids considers sustainability to be the essence of its projects. We believe that there is no point in supporting a project unless it's going to last. We involve the local community from the start. Wherever we can, we use local labour and materials. We discuss how the community will maintain the installation in the future and make arrangements for them to take ownership of the new system on completion.

Water for Kids works in close partnership with inspirational local people and community groups mainly in Uganda and Zambia. It supports their ideas and plans for improving the health and well-being of communities, many of whom are living in poverty. The projects are managed on behalf of Water for Kids by local Environmental Health Professionals (EHPs).

Water for Kids Trustees regularly visited projects overseas to ensure they were completed satisfactorily and that money was well spent. These visits were suspended during the COVID pandemic and more regular online meetings with colleagues abroad have been taking place and photos and videos of new installations have been shared. This has continued since the pandemic; however we were delighted to resume in person visits with three trustees visiting Zambia in September 2022.

Water for Kids worked collaboratively with the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) North East branch (NE) and Acorn Project in Kenya to help fund the provision of safe water and toilets at schools .

4. Our Impact this year

We protected 15 springs in Uganda providing safe water and hygiene training to more than 8,000 people.

We provided 5 boreholes and water and hygiene training to 5 communities in Zambia helping more than 4,700 people.

We did two holistic projects in Uganda in Busera and Nakavumbi which finished at the beginning of 2023. These were generously funded by the Big Glve (Busera) and the Randal Foundation (Nakavumbi). These projects helped more than 2,500 people in the 2 communities as well as up to 4000 visitors on a busy market day in Nakavumbi.

This year the team in Uganda did a comprehensive evaluation of the impact of these projects on the community and here are some of their findings:

- Latrines were made willingly by local people because materials were provided to make sanplats leading to a clear reduction in open defecation.
- More pupils joined the schools because there was accessible water
- Handwashing is now usual in the communities which was not the case before these projects
- The number of older girls staying on at school has increased because of the washrooms
- The number of diarrheal diseases reported to the health clinic decreased
- They're not wasting firewood to boil water
- The communities report that they feel cared for by their leaders who lobbied for these projects.

We built washrooms at 2 schools in Kenya and rainwater harvesting at a third school in Kenya helping more than 1450 pupils and students access safe water and hygiene.

4.1 Uganda

Water for Kids has been working in Uganda since 2005, mainly in the rural area around the market town of Iganga. The projects here are managed by Muzamiru Bidondole (Muz) who is also a Public Health Officer working for the Council. This year Muz completed his 200th project for Water for Kids.

We work in a holistic way in a defined community area, to improve water supply, toilet facilities, rainwater harvesting and hygiene and water committee training. This more

targeted approach in a geographical area, has a greater impact and we work in this way wherever funds allow.

Our programme of routine monitoring and maintenance of water sources has carried on and we have funded and carried out a number of small repairs. Doing small repairs in a timely fashion means that water sources continue to provide safe water for many years.

Protection of spring water sources involves building a dam to convert a contaminated pond (created by a natural spring), into a source of safe water, which can be collected easily from a pipe passing through the dam. In Uganda this is a very successful and sustainable way of providing clean waters to communities.

This year we protected 15 springs bringing clean water to more than 8,000 people.

- Waibi Spring approx 700 people
- Wagoina Spring approx 700 people
- Kange Spring 700 people
- Namadudu Spring approx 701 people
- Bufafuka Spring 690 people
- Nakigo Trading Centre 890 people
- Kakuku Spring 574 people
- Bunyira Spring 434 people
- Kyengege Spring 653 people
- Namiganda Spring 379 people
- Nakisenhe Spring 354 people
- Bugongo Spring 411 people
- Bukandawo Spring 438 people
- Kibaago Spring 404 people
- St. James Church Spring 700 people

Two major holistic projects in Busera and Nakavumbi finished at the beginning of 2023 and a comprehensive evaluation was done 6 months afterwards. There are more than 2,500 people in the 2 communities and the market in Nakavumbi can have up to 4000 visitors on market day. Some of the outcomes are listed above in 'Our Impact'.

We're piloting a soap making project in these 2 communities which is just beginning. Supplies will be provided and local people trained to make soap. If this is successful we will consider rolling it out more widely.

Trustees will be visiting Uganda in the first half of 2023 for the first time since the pandemic.

4.2 Zambia

Three trustees visited Zambia this year for the first time since the pandemic. Although work has continued successfully throughout and contact has been maintained digitally there's no substitute for face to face collaboration with colleagues. Our partners in Zambia, the Zambian

Institute of Environmental Health (ZIEH), have elected a new board since our last visit so it was a good opportunity to meet everyone and discuss old projects and possible new projects.

Our long time project manager, Philomen Yona, who has been a completely reliable and brilliant project manager for the last several years has stepped down because of job commitments. We'd like to thank him for his unfailing good humour and really hard work over the last few years. A new project manager, Clavel Mulenga, has been appointed. This was a great opportunity to visit projects with Clavel and get to know him.

There's a new president in Zambia who has made education free for all children. While this is a very welcome development, extra funding hasn't been provided so schools are facing major water and sanitation challenges. Trustees visited 3 schools on this trip in different parts of Zambia and all three were facing water challenges with increased enrollments. Water for Kids has always worked with schools in Zambia and we hope to help with some of these challenges.

Trustees travelled to Chitambo District in the north of Zambia where we had a successful project in 2021/22. Chitambo is a fast growing new district because there are manganese processing plants and a lot of fishing here so lots of jobs. This has led to enormous water and sanitation challenges. Trustees met local leaders and council colleagues and visited each of the bore holes that had been drilled. A very successful handover ceremony took place with the local community. We discussed possible new projects and have approved a borehole rehabilitation project in Chalilo Ward to rehabilitate 12 boreholes. Broken down boreholes can often be fixed relatively cheaply and easily with a few spare parts so rehabilitation can be a very effective use of funds.

Trustees also visited Chishamba, another remote district where we provided boreholes and water and sanitation training to 5 communities.

- Chitanta A 381 people
- Chitanta B 315 people
- Kasempa 876 people
- Nansambila/Lyelela 1300 people
- Kachele Clinic and community 1882 people

4.3 Kenya

Water for Kids has worked for the last few years on a project in Kenya at 4 schools which was partially funded by members of the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health Officers (CIEH) in the Northeast of the UK. The latest project has been based at 3 schools in Ndhiwa District. Washrooms have been built for both boys and girls at Otange School (413 pupils and 12 teachers) and Rakoro School (419 pupils, 12 teachers) this year.

Drinking water facilities have been improved at Kome school by providing rainwater harvesting, water filters and hand wash stands. This school has 400 children and 12 teachers who have all benefited.

The work at all 4 schools is now finished and Water for Kids will no longer be working in Kenya because we want to focus our limited resources to work most effectively.

5. Progress in the UK

This was the first year of recovery from the pandemic for our beneficiaries, the partners we work with, and for the charity itself. Trustees were once again able to have face-to-face meetings every four months.

The Fundraising Strategy we drew up in 2021-22, together with the Budget Projection have continued to be of benefit in focussing on sustainability in all areas of the charity to meet challenges as they arise.

The robust Risk Register is reported on at each Trustees meeting and revised to reflect the latest position in these testing times as new problems arise, or are foreseen by Trustees.

Our policies relating to Finance, Privacy, Safeguarding, Complaints and Reserves policies have been reviewed to ensure we are up to date in these crucial areas.

During the year Favour Nyikosa became a trustee. Unfortunately he had to resign six months later, at the end of his probation, due to increased pressures of his business.

6. Fundraising

Fundraising continues to be a challenge for every charity in the current global situation. This was exacerbated by our Fundraising Contractor reducing her hours and resigning in July. The Trustees took on extra work and Sandra Watson of 9th Planet Design produced a Newsplash. This enabled Water for Kids' to raise its highest income ever. It exceeded £100,000 for the first time. This was due to the amazing commitment and generosity of our supporters, especially the Jusaca Trust.

Water for Kids is a member of the Chartered Institute of Fundraising.

The Charity has maintained strong relationships with some of our corporate supporters who provide a steady income which allows us to do successful forward planning. However we lost some Corporate Supporters during the year due to ongoing effects of the pandemic and the Ukraine war. We will seek out more to increase this valuable income stream.

Our excellent website, provided by [9th Planet Design](#), continues to attract supporters looking for a water charity.

Water for Kids was the chosen charity once again for the annual Pest Control News/Killgerm dinner. It raised an impressive £7,152, half of which was given by Killgerm. The directors and staff at Killgerm have been very generous and loyal supporters since soon after the founding of Water for Kids, 26 years ago. We would like to give them a big vote of thanks.

Generous donations were also received from The Market Harborough Third World Group, Lutterworth Rotary Club and many supporters who contribute by regular standing orders, most of whom have done so for many years. Generous grants were given by the JUSACA, Sydney Franklin and SE Franklin Trusts. We also received funds in memory of Karen Walton and P R Hickson. The work in Kenya was funded by Team Ndhiwa and The Acorn Project and a legacy from Gerry Glyde. A big thank you to the many people involved.

We are also incredibly grateful to our Corporate Supporters who have provided funds and services for us:

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| Killgerm Chemicals Ltd | 9th Planet Design |
| Machin & Toplass | Grime Reaper Products |
| Vindomora Bridge End Lodges | Harmony Fire |

7. Finance

In spite of the very challenging global situation and significant inflation in the UK, we have raised a record amount this year, exceeding £100,000 for the first time. This was mainly due to generous grants from the JUSACA and Franklin Trusts, including an extra grant from the Jusaca Trust to tie the charity over the period without a fundraiser. Our dedicated in-country teams in Zambia, Kenya and Uganda have managed to deliver more than £86,748 worth of project work. A record amount, in spite of most of them being very busy health professionals on the front line.

We are proud to say that 91.8% (84.3% in 2021/22) of expended funds went directly to overseas project work this year. The rest covers fundraising, admin and governance. At the end of the year our reserves were £59,750. Some of which are committed funds carried over to 2023/24 for Zambian projects in Mwansabombwe (£10,600) and Tusano (£7,000). These are to be completed by September 2023.

The Trustees aim to maintain a level of reserves that will protect the charity against any dramatic fall in income or unexpected rise in expenditure. During 2022-23 the reserves were maintained well above our minimum level of £10,000.

During the year we worked with Charitytransfers to appoint a new foreign exchange company achieving a more favourable exchange rate for overseas transfers of funds.

8. The Year Ahead

We will recruit a freelance fundraiser who will work with us to attract new corporate supporters, apply for a grant for a holistic project and work with the trustees to update our Fundraising Strategy.

We will build stronger links with the Ugandan Asian Community in Leicester and the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (UK) to increase the supporter base, including Corporate Supporters.

We will carry out a skills audit of trustees and hope to recruit a new Trustee.

In Uganda

We will protect at least 12 springs to bring safe water to communities in the Iganga area.

Subject to funds being raised, we will carry out a new holistic project in Wasimba. This will include drilling a borehole which is suitable for the larger community and school. The project will enable families to build latrines and soap making training will be carried out after the successful pilot. This could lead to a small income earning enterprise if community members are able to take part.

Trustees will visit Uganda early in the new year to monitor projects and meet with Muzamiru Bidondole who leads the projects and his team.

In Zambia

We will rehabilitate 12 boreholes including one at a school in Chalilo Ward in Chitambo District.

We will provide a borehole and water distribution system to a school and surrounding community in Mwansabombwe in the far north of Zambia .

We will be considering new projects in Shibuyunji near Lusaka and in the far southwest of the country in Tusano, Sioma District and providing latrines at schools where we have provided water.

9. Our impact this year at a glance

We protected 15 springs in Uganda and trained the communities

We finished 2 large holistic projects in Uganda in 2 communities

We drilled 5 boreholes in Zambia and trained the communities

We built washrooms at 2 schools in Kenya

We installed rainwater harvesting at one school in Kenya

In 2022/23 we helped more than 18,000 people in communities across Zambia, Uganda and Kenya get access to safe water and hygiene.

Approval

We present this Annual Report of Water for Kids for 2022-23 with great pleasure.

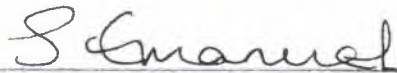
This report was approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Jason Cox, Treasurer



Patrice Panella, Secretary



Sara Emanuel, Chair

Date: 06/09/23

**Income and Expenditure Accounts for the Period
1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023**

| | 2022/23 | | | 2021/22 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------|-----------|
| Annual Income | UNRESTRICTED FUNDS | RESTRICTED FUNDS | TOTAL | |
| Donations (1) | 17,293.54 | 950.00 | 18,243.54 | 21,671.24 |
| Trust Donations (2) | 68,000.00 | - | 68,000.00 | 47,300.00 |
| Gift Aid (3) | - | - | - | 1,488.18 |
| Corporate Support (4) | 8,642.97 | 1,333.00 | 9,975.97 | 15,928.25 |
| Miscellaneous (5) | 3,883.79 | - | 3,883.79 | 4.56 |
| 'In Memory' (6) | - | - | - | 10,000.00 |
| Total Income | 97,820.30 | 2,283.00 | 100,103.30 | 96,392.23 |
| | | | | |
| Annual Expenditure | UNRESTRICTED FUNDS | RESTRICTED FUNDS | TOTAL | |
| Zambia Projects (7) | 34,072.74 | - | 34,072.74 | 24,178.82 |
| Uganda Projects (8) | 37,203.98 | 4,714.74 | 41,918.72 | 36,041.71 |
| Kenya (9) | - | 10,756.12 | 10,756.12 | 9,616.26 |
| Fundraising Expenses (10) | 826.00 | - | 826.00 | 8,806.00 |
| Fundraisers Fees (11) | 3,373.99 | - | 3,373.99 | 2,265.00 |
| Miscellaneous (12) | 3,552.68 | - | 3,552.68 | 2,006.56 |
| Total Expenditure | 79,029.39 | 15,470.86 | 94,500.25 | 82,914.35 |
| Excess of Income over Expenditure | | | 5,603.05 | 13,477.88 |

| Statement Of Assets & Liabilities | 31-Mar-23 | 31-Mar-22 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| CAF Gold Account | 55,926.75 | 27,163.08 |
| CAF Cash Account | 4,302.97 | 27,468.59 |
| Bank balances | 60,229.72 | 54,631.67 |
| Gift Aid Debtor | - | - |
| Somerbys Creditor | (480.00) | (438.00) |
| Total Funds Available | 59,749.72 | 54,193.67 |

Notes to the Accounts

1. Generous donations were received from Team Ndhiwa, Iganga Reunion and Jubilee Celebration Group, Lutterworth Rotary Club, Glanford & Lindsey Lions Club, Ged Pike, Market Harborough Third World Group, Renwell Water and all supporters who contribute by regular standing orders. Acorns Project donation which is restricted for Rakoro Primary School Latrines in Kenya.
2. Donations from the JUSACA Charitable Trust, Sydney Franklin No 2 Charity Trust and S E Franklin Charitable Trust.
3. Gift Aid for 2018-20. For 2022/23, funds in this section have been recorded in Miscellaneous.
4. Corporate support provided Civica UK Ltd, Machin & Toplass, Plumbing and Heating Services, Grime Reaper Products, Cairngorms Activities, Killgerm (via the annual PESTEX Dinner) and Vindomora Bridge End Lodges. Restricted donation (of £1,333-00) was from Harmony Fire for the Busakira spring project in Uganda.
5. Misc includes donations in memory of Karen Walton, HMRC Gift Aid, donation from the estate of the estate of PR Hickson and interest received from the two of the Charity's bank accounts with the CAF Bank Ltd.
6. Received from Sally Foster in memory of Denise Foster (2021/22). For 2022/23 donations in this section have been recorded in Miscellaneous.
7. The payments related to work in Zambia:

| DATE | REASON | AMOUNT |
|----------|--|-----------|
| 03/05/22 | Chisamba borehole drilling | 7,092.20 |
| 31/05/22 | Chisamba and general funds | 14,268.29 |
| 03/08/22 | Elaine Rudman – contribution to travel expenses | 400.00 |
| 03/08/22 | Patrice Panella – contribution to travel expenses | 400.00 |
| 03/08/22 | Sara Emanuel – contribution to travel expenses | 400.00 |
| 20/09/22 | Patrice Panella – reimbursement of trustee monitoring expenses | 200.00 |
| 24/10/22 | Sara Emanuel – reimbursement of trustee monitoring expenses | 516.55 |
| 18/01/23 | Chitambo borehole rehabilitation project | 10,795.70 |

8. The payments related to work in Uganda.

| DATE | REASON | AMOUNT |
|----------|---|----------|
| 19/04/22 | Waibi, Kakuku, Bunyira and team allowances | 6,292.03 |
| 24/06/22 | Restricted Funds – Busera & Nakavubo evaluations and team allowances | 678.74 |

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| 24/06/22 | Busera & Nakavubo evaluations and team allowances | 861.26 |
| 14/07/22 | Restricted Funds - Wagonia, Kange, Namandudu, Bufafuka and Natigo | 4,036.00 |
| 14/07/22 | Wagonia, Kange, Namandudu, Bufafuka and Natigo | 4,759.86 |
| 28/09/22 | Naitandu (New pump), Sanitizer/PPE, extra team costs, team allowances | 3,441.30 |
| 30/11/22 | Kyenge, Namiganda, Nakisenhe, soap making training and team allowances | 5,492.96 |
| 18/01/23 | Bugongo, Bukadawo, Kidaagi, St James Church and team allowances | 6,142.30 |
| 10/02/23 | Nakavumbi – Soap Making | 1,576.74 |
| 28/03/23 | Iwawu, Buseyi, Olowo, Busera soap making, borehole servicing and team allowances | 8,637.53 |

9. Funds supplied to Kenya projects.

| DATE | REASON | AMOUNT |
|----------|---------------|----------|
| 12/04/22 | Otanga School | 6,694.21 |
| 16/05/22 | Otanga School | 1,991.73 |
| 22/11/22 | Kome School | 1,748.18 |
| 22/02/23 | Kome School | 322.00 |

10. Fundraising costs include monthly account fee to JustGiving, costs incurred in the course of fundraising events.
11. Services provided by the Charity's Fundraiser's fee, cost of stationery and other office expenses.
12. Miscellaneous expenses include liability insurance, governance, registration of domain names and website hosting, display materials, membership subscription to Fundraising Regulator, National Council for Voluntary Organisations and International Federation of Environmental Health, cost of independent examination of the report and accounts.
13. 91.8% of total expenditure was spent directly on our overseas projects.
14. Committed funds were carried over to 2023/4 for Zambia projects in Mwansabombwe (£10,600) and Tusano (£7,000). To be completed by September 2023.

WATER FOR KIDS**31 MARCH 2023****Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Water For Kids**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 4 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity 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.

A M West, FCA**Somerbys Limited****Chartered Accountants****30 Nelson Street****Leicester****LE1 7BA**
