

**ANNUAL REPORT
FOR
BIGGER HEART ZANZIBAR**

CHARITY NUMBER

1179065

PERIOD REPORTED

01 MAY 2024 - 30 APRIL 2025

Activities, Achievements and Performance

About Us

Bigger Heart Zanzibar (BHZ) is a registered charity committed to supporting the wellbeing, development, and inclusion of children and young people, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds. Through creative, cultural, educational, and wellbeing-focused activities, the charity aims to provide safe, inclusive spaces where children can build confidence, develop new skills, and feel a strong sense of belonging.

The charity works closely with schools, families, volunteers, and community partners to design and deliver activities that respond directly to local needs. BHZ places a strong emphasis on community-led delivery, cultural understanding, and early intervention, ensuring children are supported at a formative stage of their development.

CHAIR'S MESSAGE

I am pleased to present the Trustees' Annual Report for Bigger Heart Zanzibar for the period 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025.

This year marked an important phase of growth for the charity. We successfully completed the Creative Bridges project and began delivery of Fun 4 All Club, expanding our work from one school to two. This growth reflects both the increasing demand for our services and the strength of the relationships we have built with schools, families, and the wider community.

I would like to thank our staff and volunteers for their dedication and compassion. Their commitment continues to make a meaningful difference in the lives of the children we support. I am also grateful to The National Lottery Community Fund Wales for their continued trust and support, which enables us to sustain and develop our work.

On behalf of the Board, I am proud of what has been achieved this year and confident in the charity's direction as we continue to grow responsibly and with purpose.

Nawal Simpson
Chair of Trustees

Overview of the year

During the year, the charity expanded its delivery from one school to two primary schools, increasing its reach to children most in need of inclusive, wellbeing-focused support.

Creative Bridges (till September 2024)

Creative Bridges was delivered at St Thomas Primary School and provided a programme of creative, cultural, physical, and wellbeing activities for children aged 5–10. Activities included arts and crafts, physical games, mindfulness and yoga, and culturally themed events designed to promote creativity, confidence, teamwork, and emotional wellbeing.

A strong emphasis was placed on cultural exchange, with activities such as Zanzibar Day and an Eid celebration introducing children to new traditions, languages, and customs. These sessions encouraged curiosity, respect, and understanding of different cultures.

The project delivered clear positive outcomes. Children demonstrated increased confidence, creativity, and engagement, while parents highlighted the value of safe, structured activities that supported their children's development and socialisation. Teachers reported that approaches used in Creative Bridges influenced classroom practice, extending the project's impact beyond direct delivery.

The project was completed successfully within budget and in line with funding conditions.

Fun 4 All Club (from March 2025)

In March 2025, Bigger Heart Zanzibar began delivery of Fun 4 All Club, a continuation and expansion of previous successful projects. The project supports children aged 5–11 living in deprived areas of Swansea, focusing on the catchment areas of St Thomas Primary School and Pentrecwyth Primary School.

Fun 4 All Club offers weekly wellbeing, social, and cultural activities at each school, including arts and crafts, mindfulness, relaxation, dancing, and cultural exchange. The project also includes monthly educational trips, enabling children to explore museums, historic sites, nature reserves, and outdoor environments across Swansea and the Gower. These trips are designed to broaden horizons, promote curiosity, and support holistic learning.

The project is community-led, developed through consultation with parents, teachers, volunteers, and children. Delivery began toward the end of the reporting period and will continue into the next financial year.

Public Benefit

In line with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, BHZ continues to provide services that support the development and inclusion of children from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Bigger Heart Zanzibar's activities over the last year delivered public benefit by:

- Supporting children's mental and physical wellbeing
- Providing inclusive opportunities for learning, creativity, and cultural understanding
- Reducing isolation and strengthening community cohesion
- Offering parents respite and reassurance through safe, structured provision

The charity's work directly benefited children who may otherwise have limited access to enrichment activities and educational experiences.

Financial Review

During the period ended 30 April 2025, the charity received total income of £19,956, primarily from grant funding, alongside a small amount of donation income. Expenditure for the year totalled £7,220, reflecting costs directly associated with project delivery, coordination, professional support, and essential operating expenses.

At the year end, total cash funds held amounted to £19,829, which will be spent for the completion of the Fun 4 All project.

The charity had no outstanding liabilities.

Reserves policy

The trustees consider the current level of reserves to be appropriate to support the charity's ongoing activities, provide short-term financial stability, and enable the continuation of services while future funding is secured.

Expansion and Learning

In the coming year, Bigger Heart Zanzibar will focus on completing delivery of the Fun 4 All Club project and consolidating learning from delivery across two schools. The trustees aim to continue strengthening partnerships to remain responsive to community needs. The charity will also explore opportunities to secure additional funding to sustain and, where appropriate, expand. Learning gathered through continuous feedback will inform future project design, ensuring high-quality, inclusive provision that supports children's long-term development and wellbeing.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved this report and consider it a true and fair reflection of the charity's activities and impact in 2024/25.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees:

Nawal Simpson

Position: Chair of Trustees

Date: 30/01/2026



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bigger Heart Zanzibar

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/05/2024

To

30/04/2025

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	72		-	72	72
Grants	19,884	-	-	19,884	19,884
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,956	-	-	19,956	19,956
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,956	-	-	19,956	19,956
A3 Payments					
Equipment	1,828		-	1,828	1,397
Accountant	432		-	432	-
Project Coordinator fees	3,500		-	3,500	2,000
Professional fees	500		-	500	-
Bakk charges	64		-	64	61
Room Hire	391		-	391	-
Website	297		-	297	204
Traavel	208		-	208	307
Insurance	-	-	-	-	205
Sub total	7,220	-	-	7,220	4,174
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	7,220	-	-	7,220	4,174
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,736	-	-	12,736	15,782
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	7,093	-	7,093	456
Cash funds this year end	12,736	7,093	-	19,829	16,238

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	Cash at bank and in hand	19,829		
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	19,829	-	-
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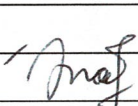
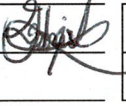
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Accountant fee	Unrestricted	-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	NAWAL SIMPSON	30/01/2026
	ELLY HERMINAWATI	30/01/2026