

AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING

England & Wales · Charity number 1182219

Details

Other names	AGAINST ALL ODDS, AOS
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	08672262
Registered	2019-02-26
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	18 Tudor Close Dartford DA1 3HU
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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY ETHNIC MINORITY WOMEN AND CHILDREN, WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR ABUSE BY:(I) THE PROVISION OF APPROPRIATE SPECIALIST SUPPORT AND SERVICES;(II) PROVIDING TRAINING TO PEOPLE WORKING WITH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ABUSED VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OR THOSE WHO ARE POTENTIALLY VULNERABLE TO GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND ABUSE; AND(III) RAISING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ABUSE.

Activities: AOS raise awareness of domestic violence/abuse, with support, rehab, advocacy & training for women in England. In Malawi a School is pursued for girls rescued from early marriages. We pay for School fees, bicycles and amenities for students. Empower women & girls in Zimbabwe & Zambia with Sewing-Machines, Hairdressing, Sanitary Pads, Food Hampers, Survival Kits. Solar Lights for Maternity Wards.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin

Geography

- Malawi
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe
- Kent
- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-02	£36,858	£36,851	-	-
2024-03-02	£18,773	£19,445	-	-
2023-03-02	£16,427	£15,150	-	-
2022-03-02	£20,534	£25,754	-	-
2021-03-02	£12,250	£12,159	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Annia Rudo Matereke	Chair	2023-06-16
Olinda Mapiye		2023-06-16

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Accounts

Trustees' annual report (including Directors' report) for the period

From: 3rd March 2024

To: 2nd March 2025

Charity name: Against All Odds Still Standing

Charity registration number: 1182219

Company number: 08672262

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>Against All Odds Still Standing is governed by its Articles of Association and operated by a Board of Trustees responsible for strategic oversight, safeguarding, financial stewardship and compliance with UK charity law.</p> <p>During 2024–25, the Board strengthened governance through updated policies, referral pathways, and improved oversight of overseas partners. All risk-related policies, including safeguarding, financial controls, data protection, and volunteer conduct, were reviewed and remain in place.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The charity exists to Educate, Empower and Equip vulnerable women, girls, and young people affected by domestic violence, poverty, and social exclusion.</p> <p>Our charitable objectives include relieving the needs of women and children at risk, advancing education, relieving poverty, and promoting health and wellbeing.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.</p> <p>The Charity's work delivers clear public benefit through education access, economic empowerment, health improvement, and UK-based support for survivors of abuse.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Education: The Charity continued to support students in Malawi, Zimbabwe, and Zambia with school fees, uniforms, and learning materials. A total of 313 students have been supported since inception, with 7 progressing to university. Monitoring was strengthened through school and guardian engagement.</p> <p>Empowerment: Over 80 women received training, sewing machines, or business support in 2024–25. A total of 563 women have been empowered since inception, with 33 families becoming self-sustained.</p> <p>Equip: The Charity distributed 283 survival kits, food hampers, bicycles, sewing machines, and mobility aids. These interventions improved mobility, reduced hunger, and increased school attendance and safety.</p> <p>UK Activities: The Charity expanded support for refugee and asylum-seeking women in Heathrow. Activities included a</p>
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		Christmas outreach, domestic violence awareness workshop sessions, and partnership engagements for DVA education with fundraising at events.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The Charity plans to expand UK empowerment services, deliver the 2025 mission trip, and strengthen governance and fundraising. The Malawi Secondary School Building Project remains an aspirational long-term goal, subject to future funding and feasibility, along with other potential African and UK projects.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity's income typically ranges between £4,000–£25,000 annually (i.e. the lower figure was due to the Covid
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		<p>pandemic – Bounce-back loan was sought and currently payable).</p> <p>Expenditure is primarily on charitable activities. 2023–24 ended with net liabilities of £672.</p> <p>2024–25 showed a modest income growth. The Charity has historically operated with minimal reserves.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Against all Odds Still Standing aims to build a minimum reserve of £5,000 to ensure operational stability and emergency response capacity.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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Type of governing document: for example, trust deed, memorandum and articles of association etc	Para 1.25	Memorandum and articles of association
How is the charity constituted? for example limited company, unincorporated association, CIO	Para 1.25	Charitable Company
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and administrative details

Charity name	Extending Grace International Ministries LTD
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1182219
Charity's principal address	18 Tudor Close, Dartford, Kent, DA1 3HU

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)
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1	Dr. Annia Rudo Matereke	Chairperson & Legal		
2	Pastor Olinda Mapiye	Trustee & Ambassador		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	
Dr Annia Rudo Matereke	
Pastor Olinda Mapiye	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	

Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	
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Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Dr Annia Rudo Matereke	
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**Position (for example
Secretary, Chair, etc)**

Director	
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Date

31.12.2025

**AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2 MARCH 2025**

**AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
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**AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING
COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2 MARCH 2025**

Directors	Ms Olinda Mapiye Dr Annia Rudo Matereke
Secretary	Mr Colin Jackson
Company Number	08672262 (England and Wales)
Registered Office	18 TUDOR CLOSE DARTFORD KENT DA1 3HU
Accountants	Abbot Accounting The Bridge Nucleus Brunel Way Dartford Kent DA1 5GA

**AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING
(COMPANY NO: 08672262 ENGLAND AND WALES)
DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 2 March 2025.

Directors

The following directors held office during the whole of the period:

Ms Olinda Mapiye
Dr Annia Rudo Matereke

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under that law, the directors have elected to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

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Dr Annia Rudo Matereke
Director

Approved by the board on: 31 December 2025

**AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2 MARCH 2025**

		2025	2024
		£	£
Turnover	4	3,946	3,980
Administrative expenses		(36,851)	(19,445)
Other operating income		32,912	14,793
Operating surplus/(loss)		7	(672)
Surplus/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation		7	(672)
Tax on surplus/(loss) on ordinary activities		-	-
Surplus/(loss) for the financial year		7	(672)

**AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 2 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		2,311	1,054
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(2,172)	(1,726)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		139	(672)
Net assets/(liabilities)		139	(672)
Reserves			
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Capital contribution reserve		804	-
Profit and loss account		(665)	(672)
Members' funds		139	(672)

For the year ending 2 March 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - Small Entities.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 31 December 2025 and were signed on its behalf by

Dr Annia Rudo Matereke
Director

Company Registration No. 08672262

**AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2 MARCH 2025**

1 Statutory information

Against All Odds Still Standing is a private company, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales, registration number 08672262. The registered office is 18 TUDOR CLOSE, DARTFORD, KENT, DA1 3HU.

2 Compliance with accounting standards

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A Small Entities. There were no material departures from that standard.

3 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below and have remained unchanged from the previous year, and also have been consistently applied within the same accounts.

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets.

Presentation currency

The accounts are presented in £ sterling.

Charitable Activities

The £7,00 of the donations were used to fund initiatives in Zimbabwe, Malawi and Zambia. £2,400 was spent in Zimbabwe and £2,300 each in Malawi and Zambia in helping women set up viable businesses in their area of interest. Relevant training was also provided to help the beneficiaries run their business successfully.

A part of the funds went towards paying school fees for some of the children to ensure they continue with education.

4 Turnover

Receipts:

This is from donations and gift aid

5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	1,971	-
Trade creditors	201	1,726
	<u>2,172</u>	<u>1,726</u>

6 Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

7 Average number of employees

During the year the average number of employees was 0 (2024: 0).

**AGAINST ALL ODDS STILL STANDING
DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2 MARCH 2025**

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Turnover		
Sales	3,946	3,980
Administrative expenses		
Travel and subsistence	5,392	2,104
Telephone and fax	1,650	1,116
Internet	500	94
Stationery and printing	3,234	215
Information and publications	10,487	8,130
Subscriptions	30	278
Donations	9,745	7,000
Sundry expenses	1,724	156
Other legal and professional	4,089	352
	36,851	19,445
Other operating income		
Other operating income	12,912	14,793
Government grants	20,000	-
	32,912	14,793
Operating profit/(loss)	7	(672)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	7	(672)

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the
trustees/directors/
members of

Against All odds Still Standing

On accounts for the year
ended

3rd March 2024 to 2nd March 2025

Charity no.:

1182219

Company no.:

08672262

Set out on pages

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 02/03/2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act).

**Independent
examiner's statement**

The company's gross income does not exceed £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
- the accounts do comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: **Date:**

Name:

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.