

The Erasmus Uganda Charitable Trust

Report and financial statements

Period ended 31st December 2020

Charity no. 1184049

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Report of the trustees for the period ended 31 December 2020

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the charity for the year to 31 December 2020.

Objectives and activities

The objectives of the charity are as follows: 1. The advancement of education for the public benefit by providing financial and practical support for equipment, teaching staff, accommodation and all aspects of schooling and education, mainly to the children and orphans at the Good Samaritan School, Wakiso, Uganda, but also in encouraging further development of educational establishments in the district. 2. To relieve the charitable needs of children, families and communities throughout Uganda as the trustees think appropriate.

The charity receives income from churches and Rotary Clubs in East Lancashire, individual donations as well as Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School Blackburn (QEGS). The link with QEGS was established in 2011 when a party of schoolchildren raised funds and visited Uganda to complete maintenance work on school buildings at the Good Samaritan School. This arrangement provided funds for the charity, improved school facilities in Uganda and resulted in significant educational and skills benefits for students at QEGS. Visits to Uganda usually take place every other year.

The Good Samaritan School is a primary school in Wakiso District outside Kampala. Students are mainly from local families who attend on a fee paying basis. The school also takes in orphans from families who have been affected by AIDS. These children do not pay fees and require accommodation. Whilst the trust provides some funds for running expenses at the school, its main expenditure is in the form of grants for capital projects. Recent projects have included the refurbishment of the kitchen and fencing and security for the compound as well as additional desks and other equipment for the classrooms. The total of capital grants in the period to 31 December 2020 was £1,528.

The trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in their decisions during the year.

Achievements and performance

The results of the primary leaving exams issued in January 2020 were exceptionally good and educational standards at the school have continued to improve following the appointment of a graduate head teacher. The school roll now stands at 200 students.

As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic the school was closed for several months till October 2020 and again during 2021. Support has been required for teachers in order to retain the team and additional equipment purchases have been made. Future projects under consideration include the provision of I.T. equipment and an on-site medical centre.

Financial review

The charity has adequate cash reserves on hand at the year end (£5,584). The trustees monitor cash flow closely and time the commencement of future projects to coincide with known and expected inflows of cash from fundraising. Sufficient reserves are held to allow for unforeseen expenditure and events in addition to planned projects as is evidenced by the Charity's response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Funds are transferred to Uganda as requested by local management and against pre-agreed expenditure and projects with appropriate documentation.

Structure governance and management

The charity has been active since 1993 under the auspices of St Anne's Church, Fence and recent initiatives have increased significantly in both scope and scale. Consequently, it was decided to formalise arrangements and The Erasmus Uganda Charitable Trust was created as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees. It was registered on 21 June 2019.

New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees and serve for 3 years after which they may put themselves forward for re-appointment. There shall be a minimum of 3 trustees and a maximum of 12.

Formal trustee meetings are held biannually at which trustees consider broad strategy and areas of activity for the trust, including consideration of grant making, cash flow and reserves, risk management and performance. Day to day administration is delegated to trustees individually. The trust has no employees.

Reference and administrative information

Trustees

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J Anthony L Briggs
Andrew Buckingham
Anthony R Brierley

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Charity number 1184049

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

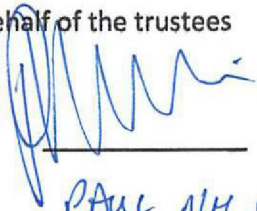
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Position

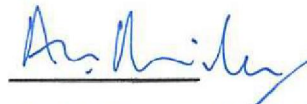
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PAUL NH WOZNIAK

Trustee

20 October 2021



ANTHONY R BRIERLEY

Trustee

The Erasmus Uganda Charitable Trust

Statement of financial activities For the year to 31 December 2020

Receipts and payments	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total Funds 2020	6m to 31 Dec 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
QEGS visit	1,656			1,656	4,500
Individual donations	2,695			2,695	100
St Anne's Church and Unallocated	4,000			4,000	
Total receipts	8,351			8,351	4,600
Payments					
School fees	175			175	731
Grant for desks and equipment	1,528			1,528	-
Grant towards teachers' subsistence during Covid	2,532			2,532	-
Grant for kitchen	-			-	393
Grant for dormitories and teachers houses	-			-	559
Grant for fencing and security	-			-	1,302
Transport expenditure in Uganda	89			89	727
Other expenses	109			109	184
Total payments	4,433			4,433	3,896
Net receipts	3,918			3,918	704
Cash funds last period end	1,666			1,666	962
Cash funds this period end	5,584			5,584	1,666
Statement of assets and Liabilities at the end of the period					
Bank account	5,584			5,584	1,666