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Year Financial Statements

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BARK CHARITY UK

Trustees' Annual Report and Director's Report

Year ended 31st January 2022

The (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' in preparing the Annual report and

financial statements of the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set

out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities

Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice

applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland published in October 2019. Trustees present the

report and the audited financial statements of the charity for the year ending January 2022.

As directed by the provisions and the Statement of Recommended Practice, the following is the governance setup.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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Billy Katiyo	Director
Christopher Porter	Trustee
Tafadzwa Chipamaunga	Trustee
Richard Forster	Secretary
Luigi Mansi	Treasurer
Kathy	Scholarship Welfare Officer
Cathrine	Scholarship Welfare Officer

BAK Charity, Zimbabwe

To provide local support for the team in Zimbabwe we have established the BAK Charity

Zimbabwe with the following Trustees; -

BAK Charity Team (Zimbabwe)

Webster Mucheuki	Administrator
Blessing Beta	Programmes Manager
Liane Max	Life-Skills Training Coordinator
Loveness Sengweni and mentor	Remedial class teacher

Simon Rudenya
Publicity Director

Photography and

Jacqueline Katiyo
Specialist

Monitoring and Evaluation

Blessing Kusangaya
Technology Director

Information and

Cathrine Magoge

Legal Services Director

Fidelis Magama
Manager

Technical Services

John Muringani
Manager

Field Operations

Bark Charity Fundraising Coordinators

All outgoing Trustees continues as voluntary fundraising coordinators in the UK.

Bark UK Charity Support

Luigi Mansi deals with day-to-day finance matters

Performance and Achievements

In the year ended 31st January 2022, Bark as; -

45 students from 45 different households are being sponsored on the school fees scholarship.

Epworth is a peri-urban settlement located south east of metropolitan Harare, the capital city

of Zimbabwe. It started as an informal settlement and gradually the settlement was formalized

under Ruwa Local board to become a satellite settlement mainly domiciled by the poor. The

fees program is run at Open Tribe Foundation, an informal school that operates from the

founder's residential stand with make-shift structures consisting mainly of simple shades

without walls. It is a primary school that has ECD to Grade 7 and is not a school public examinations center. The teaching staff is all voluntary and the school runs from purely donations, for example, stationery, school uniforms, shoes and food handouts. The intention is to have the whole school assisted because by the

measurement of the UN sustainable development goals, the whole community is extremely poor.

The adverse impact of the Covid -19 has affected all stakeholders and inevitably resulted in intermittent halting of some programs in the year running. The government's restriction on movements in compliance with the World Health Organization Protocols to combat the pandemic saw a reduction in physical visits and closure of the schools at some point as the world responded to the new phenomena. Resultantly,

many of our volunteers migrated to rural areas. A marked number of school dropouts were

recorded and our children on sponsorship were not spared either. We paid varying amounts

for the complete school terms of 2022. During the Covid-19 term breaks, focus was on provision

of Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs), awareness campaigns and provision of food

handouts. We also supported a competition and fun day at Open Tribe Foundation. Children

competed in dancing, poems, quiz and singing.

We ran an empowerment programs for our volunteers. This has become an annual activity that is now alive on our calendar meant to motivate unpaid volunteers. In liaison with the

Vehicle Inspectorate Department, we coordinated provisional driver license courses for 10

volunteers.

To support the initiative of empowering the youth and woman during covid-19, donations

were sourced through fund raising and a 40ft contained as shipped to Zimbabwe. Varying

items of clothing (new and Old), surgical gloves, facemasks, sanitary ware, foodstuffs, sports

ware, shoes, sewing machines etc, were donated to Zimbabwe. Because of the Covid -19,

there were changes in shipping, forwarding and aviation legislation, hence there was a general

delay in the movement of cargo. Countries enacted new rules and regulations that would aide

health officials in combating the spread of Covid-19, thus a lot of goods in the container

needed import permits from specific government ministries in Zimbabwe. The costs ranged

from shipping, storage, import licenses, appeals, clearing agent fees, duty, inspections, fuel

and communication. Because of lockdowns, physical visits to offices were not permitted.

Processing queries online was also hectic as systems were down most of the time. There was

skeleton staff in all government institutions where import permits were processed and

signatures of designated officers could hardly be found as most of them operated from home

in a move to decongest offices. External documentation is verified by the respective signatures

and date stamps. Organizations were asked to apply for permission to be exempted from

travelling restrictions during lockdowns and the process produced an exemption certificate if

granted. Not-For-Profit organizations were not automatic recipients of the exemption if the

organization's objectives had nothing to do with humanitarian work. A vetting process was in

place for the process hence processing of imports became a nightmare though BAK Charity

acquired the certificate after a long period of waiting.

By the time when all paperwork was in place the storage Bill was beyond reach,

negotiations are still on going to get the container at about £5.5K. If released, there are a lot of

goods in the container that will empower beneficiaries, for example, sewing machines, PA System, sports equipment, cooking and baking utilities. The donated cargo is still at Manica Freight. The duty of the bus has been reviewed upwards twice by the Revenue Authority. We have rescued the bus twice from being

auctioned. There is need to raise duty for the bus and goods that did not qualify for rebate.

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PROGRESS WITH OUR OBJECTIVES

We are operational mainly basing and focusing on our founding objectives which include, but not limited to empowerment of marginalized children, youths and women. The United Nations

refers to them as a special population. Our objectives

are also in compliance with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.

Goal Number 1: - No hunger

In as a much as we focus on sustainable initiatives in our programmes in hunger alleviation,

the past year because of Covid-19, no outdoor activities were allowed as at some point we had

a total shut down. We had to increase food handouts in household where our scholarship kids

are living.

Goal Number 2: - Promoting self-sufficiency

We were running empowerment programmes for women and the youth. Some women were

trained to trade in agriculture produce. Covid-19 protocols limited trading business. The ban

on movement meant women could not go out selling or re-stock. Some were trained on tailoring

skills for uniforms. As schools were closed, this pointed out that business for them was shut

also. The youth were trained in videography, photography, t-shirt and cooperate wear

branding. Industry closed because of restrictions, hence loss for business. Gatherings for

social events like weddings, parties etc were restricted and many youths failed to breakthrough

in the business.

Goal Number 4: - Quality Education

We paid school fees for 45 children in the year running. We bought 200new-curriculum

textbooks for school from Grade 1 to Grade 7.

Most educational institutes relied on the internet to impart knowledge to the school going

kids because of the lockdowns. The children and the volunteer teachers do not have electricity and the

gadgets that are used to access internet. No smart phones, no electricity or solar systems, no

WIFI and even money to buy data bundles. The school children are mainly orphans being taken

care of either by a single parent, a grandmother, grandfather, a close or distant relative and

some live in child-headed households. Regrettably, these children have no choice but to resort

to menial jobs for money and food handouts. Dire is their situation.

Evaluation of the Project: Hope in the Streets Project (London)

The project was carried out by Bark Charity UK and the key objective was ensuring homeless

people get improved access to mental health services and improved knowledge of mental

health issues. The program started in May 2021 and ended on the 31st of August 2021 in

Merton and Coventry. The project commenced and ended during the Covid-19 induced lockdowns. The World Health Organization proposed international protocols which governments adopted and implemented. Homeless people did not benefit much from the protocols as restricted movements and total closure of shops and restaurants meant that food was hard to come by for them. There was no human traffic in the streets and begging could not yield anything for them. Households were inaccessible as homeowners did not entertain strangers.

We also run Mental Health First Aid Courses that have become very popular as the people that

attend go away armed with tools to help themselves and many more.

Highlights

45 students received school fees scholarships. One female student who is a beneficiary of the school

fees bursary program graduated from Bindura University of Science Education with an Honors Degree in Sport Science and Administration.

We also saw one of the beneficiaries creating a musical band following the release of his debut album the previous year.

The supporting BAK Charity football team received kit and a pitch to play at Churchill Boys High School.

Operations

No meaningful donations have been received for the period under review. We have failed to repair the Head Office for BAK Zimbabwe where the perimeter wall got damaged by falling trees because of

a storm. The gazebo where BAK Fridays are held at the premises was also severely damaged as

it was brought down. The general yard needs landscaping and driveways. The swimming pool

project is not yet complete.

The four objectives explained in the report and “The plans for The Future’ which will be

highlighted as the report is concluded exhibit that the scope of this humanitarian work is

exceptionally and purely for Public Benefit as enshrined in the dictates of the relevant statutes.

This work is made possible by the consistent stream of support from Bark Charity UK,

individuals and other organizations.

The Trustees and Director have considered this report and concluded that: -

- The aims and objectives of the organization to remain purely charitable work.
- The benefits are for public
- The charitable work by the organization continues to touch lives through these acts of

random kindness without any discrimination of any form.

- There is no detriment or harm (physical or emotional) arising from the organization's

activities, hence need for continuous adherence to standard operational guidelines that are internationally recognized.

Financial review

For the period under review, BAK Zimbabwe account show that the fundraising activities by

Bark Charity UK and their grant helped achieve key objectives in all the programs that were

undertaken.

Our Barclays Bank Account is up and running. We still have the challenge of sending money

through would remit without it going through a personal account. This is being looked at with other

banks if a more convenient transacting process is established.

Plans for the Future

Self -sufficiency - ensuring that all self-help projects deliver for sustainability purposes. The

aim is to ensure projects survive beyond the intervention period.

Life-enhancing programs - to ensure program participants influence change in communities in

programs involving water, sanitation and Covid-19 care and prevention.

We need to look at more systems that allow continuous fundraising.

There is need to create a paid post in order to seek grants and reach out to companies

Risk Management

The Trustees are keen to see international best practices being implemented. The ever

changing environment due to climate and pandemics need organizations to keep abreast with

global information that is shared with other stakeholders, mainly change agents.

Appreciation

The Trustees and The Director would like to thank all who supported this noble cause, from

registration- case managers, those who donated in money or kind, volunteers who ensure

programs flow and community opinion leaders who create conducive environments for us

change agents to deliver.

On behalf of Bark Charity UK:

Name: Richard Forster

Position:

Dated: 5th January 2022

Name: Luige Mansi

Position:

Dated: 5th January 2022

Trustees and UK Team signature to confirm report

Due to a low income the Report was verified by internal Examiners and

Trustees

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bark Charity UK

Year ended 31st January 2022

This document was verified by individual

I report on the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the year ended 31st

January 2022 which are set on the ensuing pages.

Responsibilities and basis of the Report.

As the charity trustees were directors of a company, they would also serve as its directors

for purposes of Company law, they would be responsible for the preparation of the accounts in

accordance with requirements of the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under

Part 16 of the 2006 and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of

examination of your organization's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities

Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed directions given by the

Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Independent Examiner not engaged. This is in line with provisions of governing statutes.

Signed

Name