

Stone Outward Mombasa Project

(Operating Name)

Friends of Kididima

Annual Report and Financial Statement

For the year ended

31st December 2021

The Friends of Kididima was registered with the Charity Commission on 13th August 2020

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Reference and administrative details of the charity For the year ended 31st December 2021

Charity registration number

1190838

Trustees

Trustees who served during the year and up to 31st December 2021

Mrs Maureen Elizabeth Recine

Miss Moira Ann Cullen

Mrs Debra Ann Turner

Mrs Judith Sarah Woods

Mrs Julie Karen Tanner

Independent Examiner

Jean Haynes - AAT Qualification

Bank

Co-Operative Bank 42 43, Greengate Street, Stafford ST16 2JA

KCB iBank. Mtwapa Branch, Mombasa Kenya

Trustee Report

The Purpose

- The purpose of the Friends of Kididima is to support the school by facilitating the education and care for 150 - 200 very poor and needy children from the age of three years.

Overview of year

- The charity has faced a very challenging year. With the corona virus having a very significant impact on Kididima School and fundraising activity in the UK.
- From March 2020 the school was ordered to close along with all other education establishments in Kenya because of the virus.
- The fundraising activities of the trustees have been made very difficult because of the pandemic
- Guiding and Scouting has been suspended at Kididima School due to the closure
- Three visits that had been arranged for one or more of the trustees have been cancelled
- The trustees have held 6 meetings during the year. The majority of these were done via zoom due to the UK covid restrictions.
- Weekly zoom meetings have been held with two UK trustees and the Headmaster and a Kenyan Trustee.

Sponsors

- During the year the charity has recruited 17 new sponsors and we now have 55 children sponsored which has increased from the previous year.
- The sponsored children have written to their sponsor to thank them for the support.
- Three newsletters have been sent to all sponsors and supporters during the year.
- We have been unable to continue the porridge programme as staff were not are not able to go onto the school compound to date this has not restarted.
- Some of the money pledged for the porridge programme was used to purchase food parcels for the children and their families with agreement from the sponsors.

- In October 2020 the Kenyan government announced that children from Class 4 and Grade 8 could return to school if the school could make the establishment “covid” compliant. 33 children returned. All children returned to school when the government allowed
- We are delighted to receive the support from a new sponsor who agreed to purchase all the consumables i.e. cleaning materials, masks, sanitiser etc and the provision of a tank to provide fresh drinking water.
- We have been delighted to receive additional donations from some of our sponsors to enable us to support the teachers and children.

Education

- Prior to the pandemic the Headteacher and staff had begun to implement the new educational system of teaching with the new syllabus. We had purchased books to enable them to do this.
- Two teachers have completed their teacher training.
- Children from Class 4 and Grade 8 returned to school on 12th October along with six teachers, they were pleased to back in school and to resume learning.
- National assessment tests were carried in week three and the students performed reasonably well but there is a lot of room for improvement which is to be expected after six months of no education.
- The teachers were not entitled to any money from the Kenyan Government. The trustees took the decision to pay half the salaries for the teachers for which they are very grateful.
- When the government allowed the teachers met small groups of children in an outside space and spent a short time reading or teaching them for example about health and covid.

Support & Care

- It was considered to be very important that the teaching staff should seek out the children and assess the situation that they are living in. A comprehensive series of welfare checks were carried out and a copy of these sent to the UK trustees.
- These reports revealed that very few children had daily food. Their parent / parents in many cases had lost their jobs and were trying to find work to enable them to earn some money for food.
- The trustees have transferred funds to enable the headmaster to purchase items of food to make up food parcels for the children and their families. These were collected by the parent and signed for.

- It also highlighted that the older girls' families could not afford sanitary protection. We purchased these for the staff to distribute as necessary. Again, this was appreciated.

Public Relations

- One pupil has been mentioned in the Kenyan press for his exceptional kindness in caring for his grandmother who died in the saddest of circumstances.
- The trustees have developed a plan to recruit new sponsors for 2022. Although the 10K Road race (of which we are part of the organising committee) was cancelled it did go ahead on line and gave us the opportunity to raise our profile.

Financial Review

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for the financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed
- prepare the financial statements using the presumption that the charity will continue in operational existence

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

- **Fundraising**

The trustees have agreed that we need to look at our fundraising activity which is very difficult due the pandemic.

We have enrolled the charity for "Easyfundraising" and invited sponsors and supporters to help us by using this.

Many sponsors agree to Gift Aid Claims being made which has been extremely beneficial

- **Principal Funding Source**

The principal funding source continues to be sponsorship and donations.

- **Specific donations**

We have funds in hand which have been donated specially for the building of a kitchen and to bring electricity to the school. We have received donations for a specific Girlguiding Staffordshire project which will be used when this trip is able to take place.

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Balance sheet

Aug 20-December 31st 21

Income

Balance B/F	£1,794.84
Transfer from HSBC Dec 2020	£14,452.35
County 2021	£865.29
Children sponsorship 2021	£5,634.95
Sale of fire pits	£6,308.74
Water sponsorship 2021	£1,420.00
One off donations 2021	£7,711.54
Gift Aid 2021	£2,733.24
Porridge 2021	£300.00

£41,220.95

Bank charges

Transfers to Kenya

Balance c/f

Expenditure

£206.94

Teachers	11,754.85
Covid compliance	2,318.08
Legal fees	446.42
Sanitary ware	323.08
School expenses	657.69
Text books	567.69
Food parcels	2,436.69
Exam fees	125.00
Kenya bank c/f	3,001.27
	21,630.77

£26,014.01 agreed to Bank Statement 31st Dec 2021

£41,220.95

Report of the Independent Examiner

Jean Haynes
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ST17 4PB

22 Sept 22

To: Whom it May Concern

Ref: Stone Outward Mombasa Friends of Kididima

Please accept this letter as conformation that I, Jean Haynes have completed the audit of the accounts for the year January 2021 to December 2021.

Please see attached.

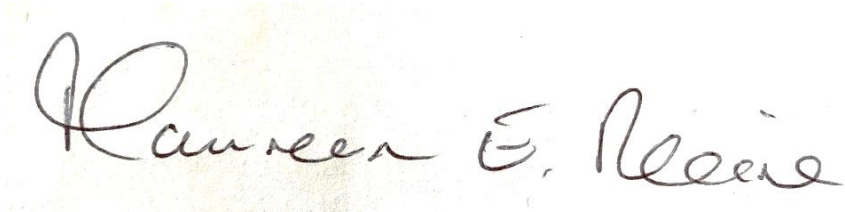
Yours Faithfully



Jean Haynes

AAT

This report was approved by the trustees on the date shown below and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Maureen E. Recine". The signature is written in a cursive style. The background of the signature area is a light yellowish-tan color.

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M Recine Chair
On behalf of the Trustees

Dated: 2nd October 2022