

VILLAGE SCHOOLS OF SIERRA LEONE

England & Wales · Charity number 1195387

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-08-04

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE CHILDREN IN RURAL AREAS IN SIERRA LEONE BY PROVIDING SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR EDUCATION AT THE SCHOOL.TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE CHILDREN IN RURAL AREAS IN SIERRA LEONE BY PROVIDING TRAINING FOR TEACHERS DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THE STANDARD OF TEACHING.THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY [OR FINANCIAL HARDSHIP] IN RURAL AREAS OF SIERRA LEONE BY PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION, TRAINING, HEALTHCARE PROJECTS AND ALL THE NECESSARY SUPPORT DESIGNED TO ENABLE INDIVIDUALS TO GENERATE A SUSTAINABLE INCOME AND BE SELF-SUFFICIENT.

Activities: The charity has built schools and provides ongoing support to ensure the education on offer is on a high standard through continual financial support and training for teachers. The charity also supports orphans to attend school by providing clothing resources and adult supervision and support.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Sierra Leone

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£10,409	£8,700	-	-
2023-12-31	£9,323	£8,700	-	-
2022-12-31	£11,870	£12,305	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Abdul Sillah		2021-12-10
CAROLINE MARY LOUISE WHITFIELD TEACHER		2025-10-16
Luke Brennan		2021-12-10

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Trustees report for 1/1/24 to 31/12/24

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1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 accounts are as follows

Expenditure

£5350 – teacher training and stipend

£260 – school library costs

£1600 – adult literacy classes at 6 locations

£1050 – teacher training college fees

£440 exam fees

Total expenditure for the period £8,700

Income

£10409 total of which £8300 was provided by direct donation from trustees and charity members



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Village Schools of Sierra Leone

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2024	To	31/12/2024
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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					
	10,409	-	-	10,409	623
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	10,409	-	-	10,409	623
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,409	-	-	10,409	623
A3 Payments					
	8,700	-	-	8,700	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	8,700	-	-	8,700	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	8,700	-	-	8,700	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,709	-	-	1,709	623
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,709	-	-	1,709	623

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		1,709	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,709	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
LBrennan	Luke Brennan	07/10/2025

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4 August 2021 to 31 December 2022 accounts are as follows

Expenditure

£4520 – teacher training and stipend

£860 – school library costs

£1800 – adult literacy classes at 6 locations

£315 – grant for school events

£4080 – teacher training college fees

£295 exam fees

Total expenditure for the period £11,870

Income

£12,305 provided by direct donation from trustees and friends.

Bank account was opened in October 2021 and the balance at the end of the period was £435