

Village Projects Foundation

England & Wales · Charity number 1202332

Details

Other names CHRIS' CHARITY PROJECTS

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-03-15

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE: 1) FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED, BY REASON OF YOUTH, AGE, ILL-HEALTH, DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR OTHER SOCIAL AND/OR ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGE IN SUCH PARTS OF THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL DETERMINE THROUGH THE PROVISION OF BUILDING PROJECTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SCHOOLS AND HEALTHCARE FACILITIES, AND PROVIDING FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO CHARITIES, OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS, WORKING TO ASSIST SUCH INDIVIDUALS. 2) TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE, IN PARTICULAR THROUGH THE PROVISION OF COACHING IN CRICKET AND FOOTBALL.

Activities: To improve educational facilities through provision across Africa.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** OVERSEAS
- Ghana
- Kenya
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£22,760	£15,903	-	-
2024-04-05	£24,769	£14,966	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christopher Michael Jones	Chair	2023-03-15
Edward Caviezel Cox		2024-11-05
Shelina Jane Jones		2023-03-15

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 5 April 2025

Reference and Administrative Details

- **Charity name:** Village Projects Foundation
 - **Registered charity number:** 1202332
 - **Principal office address:** 34 Foxhurst Road, Ash Vale, GU12 5DY
 - **Trustees:** Christopher Jones, Shelina Jones, Eddie Caviezel-Cox
 - **Bankers:** The Co-operative Bank
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Structure, Governance and Management

Village Projects Foundation is a UK registered charity governed by its constitution adopted on incorporation. The trustees are responsible for the governance of the charity, setting its strategy, and ensuring that funds are used effectively to achieve the charitable purposes. The trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration for their work.

Objectives and Activities

The charity's purpose is to advance education, relieve poverty, and promote community development, both in the UK and internationally. We focus on:

- Supporting children's access to quality education through sponsorship programmes.
- Funding grassroots projects in East Africa (e.g. Project Lisha, Seacat, Agbe, Kenya).
- Running community initiatives in the UK such as conservation, rewilding exploration, and fundraising through events.

In setting our objectives and planning activities, the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance (2024–25)

During the year we have:

- **Sponsored education:** Provided regular funding for children in Kenya and Ghana to access schooling, uniforms, and materials.
- **Project Lisha:** Continued support for Project Lisha, ensuring monthly financial commitments were met to cover essential needs.
- **Community engagement:** Organised fundraising activities such as sponsored runs, raffles, and charity days.

- **Partnerships:** Received generous support from organisations including Cirrus Events Management, Streamlined Analytics, Fielding and Nicholson and Trained By Jones.
 - **New initiatives:** Began planning a UK-based conservation programme exploring rewilding opportunities in East Sussex.
 - **Gift Aid and Grants:** Successfully reclaimed Gift Aid, strengthening the sustainability of our projects.
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Financial Review

The charity's total income for the year was **£22,760.73**, derived from donations, fundraising events, grants, and Gift Aid.

Expenditure totalled **£15,903.90**, with the majority directed to overseas project support (Project Lisha and Kenya programmes) and bank/admin costs.

This resulted in a **net surplus of £6,856.83**, strengthening our reserves.

The trustees are satisfied that the charity remains financially stable and that sufficient funds are available to meet existing commitments.

Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to maintain a level of free reserves equivalent to at least three months' project support costs to ensure sustainability. Surplus funds beyond this will be directed into expanding education sponsorship and conservation initiatives.

Plans for Future Periods

In 2025–26, the charity will focus on:

- Expanding child education sponsorship opportunities.
 - Developing Project Fursa, a new initiative to increase access to secondary and vocational education.
 - Progressing UK conservation plans, with the aim of acquiring land for rewilding and biodiversity recovery.
 - Building new partnerships with organisations such as Forestry England and Rewilding Britain.
 - Strengthening digital fundraising and supporter engagement through social media and campaigns.
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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and ensuring that funds are applied only to the purposes set out in the governing document.

Signed on behalf of the trustees,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Jones', written over a horizontal line.

Christopher Jones

Chair of Trustees

Date: 26th September 2025

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TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT

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AT A TIME



15th March 2023



5th April 2024



REPORT FROM MAIN TRUSTEE, CHRIS JONES

I am incredibly proud of what we have achieved over the past year. The impact of our projects in both Kenya and Ghana has been remarkable, and I would like to take a moment to thank everyone for their support, and state how excited I am for Village Projects Foundation to continue to make an impact. This year has seen the completion of two critical projects that have significantly enhanced educational facilities for students in both Kenya and Ghana. Project Sayansi in Kaimbaga, Kenya, provided a fully equipped science laboratory for the school, and Project Nunana in Frankadua, Ghana, successfully delivered 60,000 books and 25 computers to the library and computer laboratory we previously built. As we completed these two projects, we also laid the groundwork for two more: Project Lisha, aimed at providing a kitchen and dining facility to the students of Kaimbaga School in Kenya, is currently in the planning and fundraising stages. The current meal preparation conditions are hazardous and inadequate, and this project will significantly improve student safety and nutrition. Project Agbe in Ghana is focused on bringing clean drinking water to Retca School, a vital need for the health and well-being of the students. While we are proud of our progress, it's important to acknowledge the unique challenges we face as a young charity. Fundraising remains one of our biggest hurdles. Securing consistent and adequate funding is a challenge for many small and emerging charities like ours, as access to large grants and sponsorships can be limited.



REPORT FROM MAIN TRUSTEE, CHRIS JONES

As we look forward to the next year, our primary focus will be on increasing sponsorship and donations. Building strong, long-term relationships with businesses, individuals, and trusts will be essential to scaling our efforts. We aim to establish a more diverse funding stream, reducing our reliance on a single major sponsor and securing the financial future of the Village Projects Foundation.

Additionally, we are excited to introduce fundraising events that will engage our local community and attract new supporters. Our vision is clear: we want to continue providing essential educational resources and infrastructure to underserved communities in Africa. With continued hard work, collaboration, and the generosity of our supporters, I have every confidence that we will meet and exceed our goals for the coming year.

Thank you to everyone who has supported us so far, and I look forward to working with you all as we take the next steps on this journey.



CHRIS JONES

Main Trustee
Village Projects Foundation





VILLAGE PROJECTS
FOUNDATION

Registered Name

Village Projects Foundation
(previously Chris' Charity
Projects)

Date of Incorporation:

15th March 2023

Mission

Improving educational
resources for communities in
need.

Registered Address

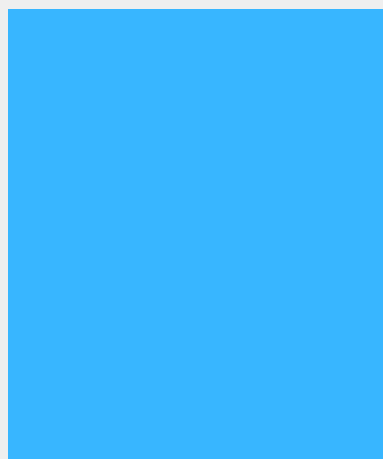
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Trustees

Chris Jones
Shelina Jones
Hannah Jones



2024-2025 OBJECTIVES

Village Projects Foundation continues its mission to provide essential educational resources and infrastructure to underserved communities, with a focus on Kaimbaga in Kenya and Frankadua in Ghana. Our objectives for this year were centered around the completion of two key projects and the initiation of planning and fundraising for future endeavors.

- Project Lisha: Building of Kitchen and Dining Room in Kaimbaga, Kenya
- Project Agbe: Providing Clean Water to Retca School, Frankadua, Ghana



Continue to make a
sustainable impact



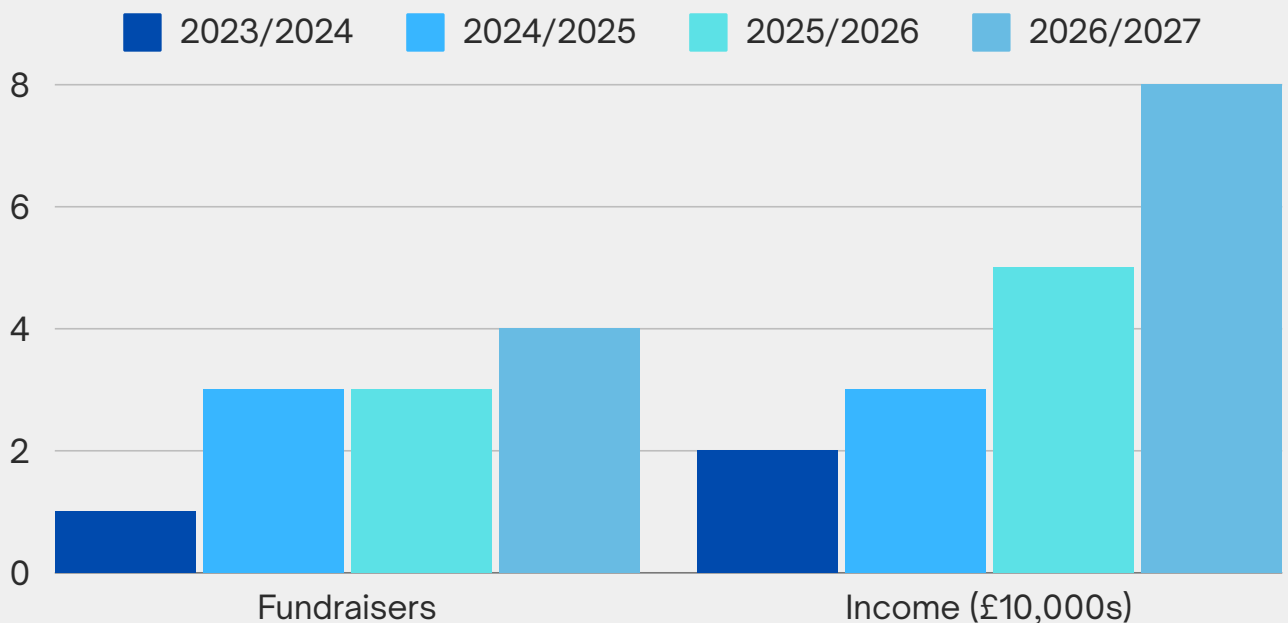
Provide
educational
resources



Clean water
provision

2024-2025 OBJECTIVES

- Increase Sponsorship and Donations: We will work to develop long-term relationships with corporate sponsors, trusts, and individual donors to secure a stable funding stream for future projects.
- Introduction of Fundraising Events: The coming year will see the introduction of more structured and frequent fundraising events, helping raise awareness for our cause while engaging with our local and extended community.



Income Target

£30,000

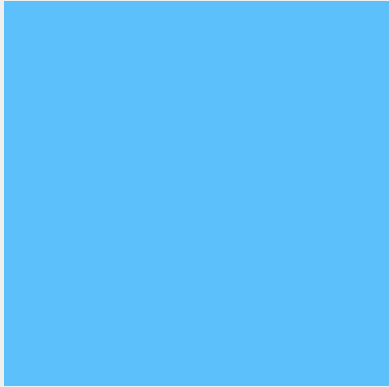


Donation Efficiency

>99%



OUR REACH



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Areas Supported

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Projects



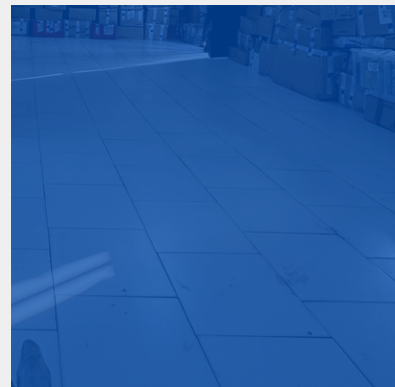
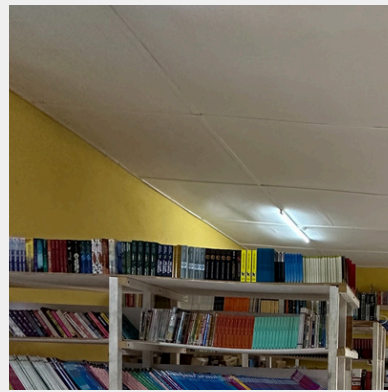
2023-2024 COMPLETED PROJECTS

Project Sayansi (Kaimbaga, Kenya): The completion of a science laboratory that is now providing the local students with crucial access to modern scientific education resources.

Project Nunana (Frankadua, Ghana): The delivery and setup of 60,000 books and 25 computers in the local library and computer laboratory, improving literacy and technological access for the students.

PROJECT SAYANSI

PROJECT NUNANA



400



children helped

500



children helped



2024/2025 UPCOMING PROJECTS

PROJECT LISHA

Planning and fundraising have begun to build a kitchen and dining hall for Kaimbaga School, which will improve the health and safety of the students' meal preparation. The existing cooking facilities are insufficient and hazardous, consisting of a fire in a corrugated iron roofed wooden shack.

PROJECT AGBE

We have also initiated fundraising efforts for the provision of clean drinking water at Retca School, to improve student health and hygiene



£25,000

2,200



children helped



1 YEAR



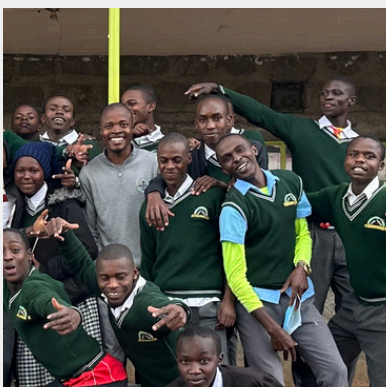
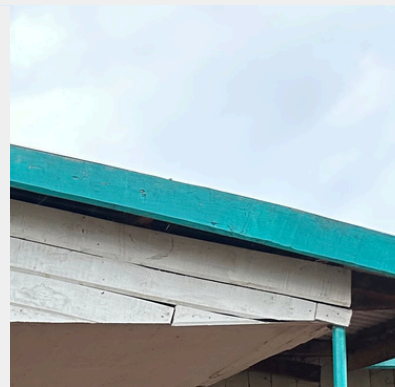

FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT

Village Projects Foundation has made significant strides toward its goal of providing education, technological access, and clean water to underserved communities. The direct beneficiaries of these projects include hundreds of students who now have access to better educational resources, healthier learning environments, and improved infrastructure.

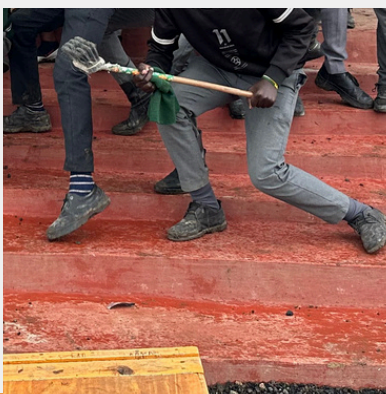
The science lab in Kaimbaga (Project Sayansi) is already being hailed as a valuable asset, enabling students to learn and perform practical scientific work. Similarly, the library and computer lab at Retca School in Frankadua (Project Nunana) have seen remarkable usage, with students benefiting from access to reading materials and computer training, allowing them to stay competitive in the modern world. We have engaged with the communities to ensure that all efforts align with their direct needs, and we remain committed to providing educational resources that have a lasting and transformative impact on these communities.



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For the people we
serve



2024/2025 CHALLENGES

One of our primary challenges remains expanding our base of donors and corporate sponsors to support our ongoing and future projects. We have already started to see some progress in this area with corporate sponsors outside of our main supporter, Jones Property Estates, beginning to come on board. This is a positive development that we intend to build upon in the year ahead.



FINANCIAL REVIEW

Fundraising remains one of the most significant challenges for the Village Projects Foundation. As a young charity, we continue to develop and expand our network of supporters.

INCOME

The main financial backing continues to come from our primary sponsor, Jones Property Estates, owned by Chris Jones, our main trustee. However, we have seen encouraging growth in corporate sponsorship, which is an area we are keen to expand in the coming year.

DEBT

The charity does not currently carry any significant debts, and we continue to operate within our financial means.

RESERVE POLICY

Our reserves policy is to maintain a balance equivalent to three months of operational costs. This ensures the charity can continue functioning effectively in the event of any unforeseen circumstances or funding shortfalls. We are currently meeting this requirement.

While our fundraising efforts are making progress, we are conscious that we must continue working hard to develop additional revenue streams to support our upcoming projects.

For full financial information, please see our published accounts.





THANK YOU


We look forward to building on the successes of this year and continuing our efforts to provide vital educational resources to schools in Ghana and Kenya.


Signed by the Trustees:

Chris Jones.

Shelina Jones.

Hannah Jones

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Accounts for the period ending 5th April 2024

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA)

Income	Amount (£)
Donations from individuals	£ 2,615
Corporate sponsorships	£ 17,200
Fundraising events	£ 0
Grants received	£ 0
Other income	£ 4,954
Total Income	£ 24,796

Expenditure	Amount (£)
Project Sayansi (Kenya) costs	£ 3,566
Project Nunana (Ghana) costs	£ 11,200
Project Agbe (Ghana) fundraising costs	£ 0
Project Lisha (Kenya) planning costs	£ 0
Fundraising event expenses	£ 0
Administrative costs	£ 200
Governance costs (legal, audit, etc.)	£ 0
Total Expenditure	£ 14,966

Net Income / (Expenditure) Amount (£)

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year £ 9,830

Balance Sheet as of 5th April 2024

Assets	Amount (£)
Bank balance (cash at bank and in hand)	£ 9, 830
Debtors (outstanding donations, grants)	£ 0
Other assets	£ 0
Total Assets	£ 9, 830

Liabilities	Amount (£)
Creditors (amounts falling due)	£ 0
Other liabilities	£ 0
Total Liabilities	£ 0

Net Assets Amount (£)

Net Assets £ 9,830

Funds

Fund Description	Amount (£)
Unrestricted funds	£ 9, 830
Restricted funds (if applicable)	£ 0
Total Funds	£ 9, 830

Notes to the Accounts

1. Accounting Policies

- The accounts are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).
- The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

2. Income

- Income from donations, sponsorships, and fundraising events is recognised when received.
- Grant income is recognised when receivable.

3. Expenditure

- Expenditure on projects reflects the direct costs of running **Project Sayansi, Project Nunana, Project Agbe, and Project Lisha**, including materials, labour, and other project-specific expenses.

4. Reserves Policy

- The charity aims to maintain reserves to 20% of the years projects costs, which is currently set at £ 3,000. This ensures that the charity can continue its work even if fundraising income decreases temporarily.

5. Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

- No trustee has received any remuneration or benefits during the period.

6. Future Plans

- The charity is committed to raising funds for **Project Agbe** (£5,000) and **Project Lisha** (£18,000) in the next financial year. Additionally, we plan to increase the number of fundraising events and secure more corporate sponsors.
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Signature

Signed on behalf of the trustees:



Chris Jones

Main Trustee

Date: 15th October 2024