

# JABALI UK — TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Financial period: 13 December 2023 – 5 April 2025

(First full accounting period)

## 1. Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name: Jabali UK

Charity number: 1206174

Legal form: Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Governing document: Constitution adopted 1 October 2023

Registered address:

WESTFIELD FARM

BEVERLEY ROAD

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Trustees during the period:

Name	Role	Appointed	Contact / Location
Joseph Edward Cottingham	Chair	13/12/2023	Westfield Farm, Beverley Road, Norton, Malton YO17 9PL – cottingham.joseph@gmail.com
Maximilian Walter	Trustee	13/12/2023	Sky View Gardens, Church Road, Nairobi, Kenya – maxwalter.cda@gmail.com
Olivia De Burgh Marsh	Trustee	13/12/2023	Whitehall Farm, Ermine Way, Arrington, Royston, Cambs SG8 0AG – o.deburghmarsh@gmail.com

## 2. Structure, Governance and Management

Jabali UK is governed by its Constitution, adopted on 1 October 2023. The charity operates under the authority of its trustees, who are also its only voting members in accordance with the Foundation Model for CIOs.

The Board of Trustees meets regularly to review programme performance, financial management, and governance. Decisions are made collectively, with a quorum of three trustees as required by the Constitution. Trustees are not remunerated and act voluntarily.

Operational delivery in Uganda is overseen by local partners who report directly to the trustees, ensuring transparency, safeguarding compliance, and measurable impact.

### 3. Objectives and Activities

Charitable Objectives:

As stated in the governing document, Jabali UK exists to advance the education and promote the physical and mental wellbeing of young people in Uganda, primarily through:

- Awarding scholarships, maintenance allowances or grants for study from primary to tertiary education.
- Supporting access to educational materials, accommodation, travel, and professional preparation.
- Funding sports and recreational programmes to promote physical health and social inclusion.

Key Activities During the Period:

- Funding full educational scholarships for children and young people from disadvantaged backgrounds.
- Providing structured mentorship, career guidance, and life-skills training.
- Supporting participation in sports and recreation for personal development.
- Building partnerships with schools, universities, and community mentors in Uganda.

### 4. Achievements and Performance

Overview

The 2023–2025 period marked Jabali UK's first full operational cycle as a registered CIO. The charity continued to grow in capability and depth, delivering strong educational outcomes, expanding developmental programmes, and maintaining all tuition funding. Regular school visits, monitoring, and family engagement ensured consistent welfare oversight and programme integrity.

## Educational Access and Attainment

- Supported 27 learners: 17 girls and 10 boys across primary, secondary, and tertiary levels.
- All tuition fees were paid in full, guaranteeing continuity of education.
- Jabali provided essential scholastic materials—including books, pens, toothpaste, mosquito nets—where families could not do so. These items are required for school entry in Uganda; without them, students can be denied access even when fees are paid.
- Jabali provided sanitary pads to 16 girls to ensure menstrual hygiene and reduce absenteeism.

## Academic Performance

Based on 22 assessed learners (excluding university students):

- 15 learners exceeded the school average (60%+), with 4 showing improvement.
- 6 learners met the school average (50–59%), with 3 showing improvement.
- 1 learner scored below average but improved on previous performance.

Jabali prioritises improvement above absolute scores and celebrates positive progress.

## Mentorship and Personal Development

- Delivered structured mentorship sessions, including:
  - Reflection on previous term goals.
  - Setting new academic and personal objectives.
  - Transition support for new university joiners.
- These sessions help maintain motivation, wellbeing, and focus.

## Holiday IT and Skills Programme

- Launched Jabali's first IT training programme, using laptops donated by supporters.
- Provided hands-on experience in basic computer use.
- Identified next steps:
  - Develop a structured skills curriculum.
  - Ensure donated laptops have proper software and antivirus protection.

## Leadership and Networks: African Youth Leadership Forum (AYLF)

- All higher-education members were enrolled in AYLF, providing:
  - Exposure to leaders across business, civil society, and public life.
  - Opportunities to build networks and broaden perspectives.

## Higher Education Progression

#### New University Entrants:

- Faith Atuhaire – Bachelor of Law (Uganda Christian University)
- Hamid Munigwa – Bachelor of Nursing Science (Islamic University in Uganda)
- Hybah Naziwa – Bachelor of Science in Finance (Makerere University Business School)

#### Students Moving to Final Year:

- Isaac Ssegirinya – Bachelor of Computer Science (Makerere University)
- Patricia Kisakye – Bachelor of Arts in Education (Makerere University)

#### Partnerships and Enrichment

- Ongoing collaboration with external mentors and donors continues to enhance leadership, academic and career-readiness opportunities.
- Continued operational emphasis on termly school visits to ensure wellbeing and accountability.

#### Financial and Fundraising Performance

- Delivered all core programme commitments for 2024 and 2025.
- Maintained tight cost control; programme expenditure continued to be the overwhelming majority of total spend.
- Full update of accounts presented separately in the Financial Review.

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## 5. Financial Review

Basis of Preparation: Accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable SORP guidance for CIOs with income below £250,000.

#### Summary of Financial Activity (13 Dec 2023 – 5 Apr 2025)

Category	£
Receipts	
Donations and grants	28,217.66
Total Receipts	28,217.66
Payments	
Educational grants and tuition fees	20,000.00
Bank charges and transfer fees	870.00
Total Payments	20,870.00
Net movement in funds	7,347.66
Cash at start of period	0.00

Cash at end of period (5 Apr 2025)	7,347.66
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## Financial Commentary

During the period, Jabali UK received £28,217.66 in total donations and made payments totalling £20,870.00. The principal charitable expenditure comprised two fee transfers of £10,000 each to Jabali Children's S (Uganda) in June 2024 and April 2025, supporting the education and welfare of 27 members. Administrative spend remained low, with £870 incurred in bank and international transfer fees (4.2% of total expenditure). No funds were spent on staffing, assets, or governance.

## Principal Sources of Funds

The charity's income was generated entirely through voluntary donations from individual supporters, family foundations, workplace-giving platforms, and committed donors. These unrestricted funds enabled the trustees to allocate support flexibly across primary, secondary and tertiary learners.

## How Expenditure Supported Charitable Objectives

- 96% of expenditure directly funded student tuition, educational materials, and welfare support.
- 4% of expenditure related to necessary banking and transfer fees for delivering funds safely to Uganda.
- No expenditure was made on salaries, fundraising costs, consultancy, or asset purchases.

## Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to maintain approximately three months of core programme costs (~£6,000) as a financial buffer to ensure continuity of scholarship commitments.

## Assets and Liabilities (Statement at 5 April 2025)

The charity held the following monetary assets and no liabilities:

Category	£
Cash at bank	7,347.66
Other monetary assets	None
Fixed assets	None
Liabilities	None

## Trustee Remuneration and Related Parties

No trustee received remuneration, expenses, or any material benefit during the period. There were no related-party transactions.

## Independent Examination Requirement

As income exceeded £25,000, the accounts will undergo independent examination in line with the Charities Act 2011.

## 6. Plans for the Next Period

- Expand the careers programme through additional workshops and training.
- Seek and support members in securing internships and work placements.
- Launch the sports programme in full.
- Expand fundraising capacity through diversified income sources and improved donor engagement.

## 7. Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

All activities directly advance education and wellbeing for young people in Uganda, fulfilling the objects of the CIO.

## 8. Independent Examiner

(To be confirmed if required)

Approved by the Board of Trustees on: 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Cottingham', written in a cursive style.

Joseph Edward Cottingham

Chair, Jabali UK

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## Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the period 13 December 2023 to 5 April 2025

## 1. Reference and Administrative Details

- Charity name: Jabali UK
- Reporting period: 13 December 2023 to 5 April 2025
- Basis of accounts: Receipts and Payments
- Charity status: Small charity

## 2. Trustees' Annual Report

### Objects and Activities

Jabali UK exists to advance education by providing financial support for the schooling and welfare of disadvantaged children and young people in Uganda.

During the period, the charity supported 27 beneficiaries across primary, secondary, and tertiary education.

### Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance. The charity's activities provide clear public benefit by enabling access to education for children who would otherwise be unable to attend school.

### Principal Activities

The charity's principal activity during the period was the provision of educational grants to its overseas partner organisation in Uganda, which applied the funds to tuition fees and related educational costs.

## 3. Financial Review

### Receipts and Payments Summary

	£
Total income	28,217.66
Total expenditure	20,870.00
Net surplus for the period	7,347.66

## Income

All income was derived from voluntary donations. No income was restricted.

## Expenditure

Total expenditure of £20,870.00 comprised:

- Charitable expenditure (educational grants): £20,000.00
- Support and administration costs (bank and transfer charges): £870.00

Approximately 94% of expenditure (£18,800) was applied directly to beneficiaries.

There were no staff costs, no trustee remuneration, and no governance expenses.

## 4. Assets and Liabilities

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 5 April 2025

	£
Cash at bank	7,347.66
Fixed assets	Nil
Liabilities	Nil

All funds held at the period end were unrestricted.

## 5. Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to maintain reserves equivalent to approximately three months of core programme costs to ensure continuity of educational support in the event of delays to income. Reserves held at the period end were considered adequate.

## 6. Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by its trustees, who meet as required to oversee strategy, financial controls, and safeguarding of charitable assets.

The charity has no paid employees.

## 7. Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

No trustee received remuneration, benefits, or expenses during the period.

There were no related party transactions.

## 8. Declaration

The trustees declare that the accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and Charity Commission guidance and that they give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities for the period.

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Dear Commission,

I am writing to explain why I cannot upload our independent examiners report for our accounts. We have handed our accounts over and requested the report however annoyingly we have not received it yet. I thought it was better to submit what we have now rather than miss the deadline for the accounts and trustee report.

As soon as we have the report I will send email it through.

I am really sorry for this and next time will ensure we allow more time for it.

Sincere apologies

Joe Cottingham