

PING CHARITY(People in Need Gambia)

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103606

Details

Known as PING

Status Received

Registered 2016-06-09

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

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Activities

Purposes: The promotion for the benefit of the public of urban or rural regeneration in areas of social and economic deprivation (and in particular in Bafaluto and the Gambia generally) by all or any of the following means: (a) the relief of financial hardship: (b) the relief of unemployment: (c) the advancement of education, training or retraining, particularly among children unemployed people, and providing unemployed people with work experience: (d) the provision of financial assistance, technical assistance or business advice or consultancy in order to provide training and employment opportunities for unemployed people in cases of financial or other charitable need through help: (i) in setting up their own business, or (ii) furthering existing businesses: (e) the creation of training and employment opportunities by the provision of workspace, buildings, and/or land for use on favourable terms: (f) the provision of housing for those who are in conditions of need and the improvement of housing in the public sector or in charitable ownership provided that such power shall not extend to relieving any local authorities or other bodies of a statutory duty to provide or improve housing: (g) the maintenance, improvement or provision of public amenities: (h) the preservation of buildings or sites of historic or architectural importance: (i) the provision of recreational facilities for the public at large or those who by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances, have need of such facilities: (j) the protection or conservation of the environment: (k) the provision of public health facilities and childcare: (l) the promotion of public safety and prevention of crime: and (m) such other means as may from time to time be determined by the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit.

What the charity does: The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The advancement of citizenship or community development

How the charity works: Advice/advocacy/information, Economic development, Education/training, Environment/sustainable development/conservation, Medical/health/sickness, Relief of poverty, Rural development, Youth development

Who the charity helps: Overseas/developing countries

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2026-01-01	£18,398	£32,295	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Brian Harrold		
Pamela Morgan		

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Accounts

Ping charity accounts		2025							
Opening balance		15421.41						Donations	
		Income		Outgoings		32295		Conor Harrold	1000
		HMRC	4997					Pamela Morgan	4963
		Donations	13401	fees		128.59		Linda Worth	1000
				closing balance		1395.82		David Thompson	5143
total income			18398						
plus opening			15421.41						
								Total donations	13401
total			33819.41						

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2024					School & bus	Gardens	Water systems	Misc.	Travel Exps	Equipment	Total
Date	£ Stg	Dalasis	Name	Purpose							
23/01/24	33	2,732	Neneh	Exps					2,732		
23/01/24	999	82,717	Lamin	Garden Borehole Janjanbureh 1 of 2			82,717				
23/01/24	910	75,439	Lamin	Garden Borehole Janjanbreh 2 of 2			75,439				
09/02/24	120	10,022	Neneh	Exps. & Janjanbureh garden		10,022					
21/03/24	183	15,033	Neneh	new laptop					5,000	10,033	
25/03/24	245	20,126	Neneh	Sambayassin. Solar panel and repairs			20,126				
29/03/24	303	25,450	Neneh	Samba Yassin			25,450				
30/03/24	3170	260,415	Lamin	75% of Faraba Sutu Water system			260,415				
18/04/24	450	37,012	Neneh	Excess pay for Jamagen Fencing		37,012					
30/04/24	2930	240,260	Lamin	Nyafiending 75%			240,260				
30/04/24	975	80,200	Lamin	Final 25% of Farabe Sutu Water System			80,200				
05/05/24	1310	11,000	Neneh	Fencing Repairs		11,000					
18/05/24	1283	107,322	Neneh	Nyafending Balance			107,322				
06/06/24	40	3,310	Neneh	Bafaluto transport	3,310						
08/06/24	3470	291,480	Neneh	Sankuli Kunda Repairs to Garden Water		291,480					
02/07/24	2200	184,800	Neneh	Bafaluto Garden pump		184,800					
10/07/24	1111	93,324	Neneh	Cement for fence repairs		93,324					
26/07/24	550	46,200	Neneh	fencing wire D2300 per 25 mts		46,200					
29/07/24	1510	126,840	Neneh	Ndofan Pump			126,840				
13/08/24	360	30,240	Neneh	Ndofan solar ?			30,240				
13/08/24	119	9,996	Neneh	School fees					9,996		
13/08/24	214	17,976	Dawda	School fees	17,976						
07/10/24	3000	252,000	Neneh	Bantantgo village			252,000				
24/10/24	1300	109,200	Neneh	Bikiling clinic .			109,200				
29/10/24	1000	84,000	Neneh	Completion Bililing Clinic			84,000				
08/10/24	170	14,280	Neneh	Exps				14,280			
30/12/24	4000	340,000	Neneh	70% of Sami Essau			340,000				
30/12/24	95	8,075	Neneh	Travel					8,075		
	£32,050	2,579,449			21,286	673,838	1,834,209	14,280	25,803	10,033	2,579,449
	sterling	dalasis			School & Bus	Gardens	Water sytems	Misc.	Travel Exps	Equipment	Total
Ping Charity accounts 2024											
Sterling											
Opening bal	2933.11		Outgoings			32050					
Income											
HMRC	3324		fees			525.3					
Donations	41739.6										
			Closing bal			15421.41					
total income	45063.6										
plus opening	2933.11					15421.41					
total	47996.71										

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Annual report

PING Charity Annual Report for 2024.

The saddest news of the year was that 8 young men from Bafaluto village, which we know very well, lost their lives in the Atlantic while trying to reach the Canary Islands. RIP.

We visited Gambia in late December 2024 and could see the benefits of the volunteer who had joined us in 2023. Miss Neneh Sowe is a 2nd year at Gambia University studying Agricultural Science. We pay her University fees and cover her monthly travel expenses.

Even though we have a direct WhatsApp contact in each of the villages in which we work, Neneh visits each project each month and reports back to us both positive and negative issues. We have seen evidence that these regularly monthly visits from a PING volunteer have motivated and encouraged the communities to look after their water and garden projects.

Not surprisingly word spread that Neneh was PING's representative and she regularly received requests from other villages for assistance and was able to visit the locations and recommend to us those villages with the greatest need.

Jamagen now has a satisfactory water system after extended difficulties in finding a successful borehole location. Progress on fencing and clearing of their new garden site ran into difficulties when the Wildlife Parks Dept took legal action over the removal of some significant trees. This has now been resolved.

Samba Yassin, on the Senegal border, had a damaged solar panel repaired but in the rainy season find that they need more storage capacity in addition to their 5,000 lt tank. We will sort this out before the 2025 rainy season starts.

The three villages of Kerr Wally, Chessy and Ndogfan which were being fed from a single borehole have been having capacity problems as their population grew. We installed a higher capacity pump but Ndogfan which was at the end of the distribution network was still in trouble with very low pressure. Being the smallest of the three villages we gave it its own borehole and 3,000lt tank, problem solved.

M'Bollet Ba had an old useable borehole which needed a serious upgrade. We totally replaced their very old solar panels and provided a stronger pump. At their own expense the community have extended the distribution network. This is a large village of over 3,000 people.

Neneh recommended 4 new villages on the south bank but much further inland. She showed us that the level of poverty in these more rural villages was worse than the villages in which we had been already been working.

In Janjanbureh, 4 hours from Brikama, we provided a water supply to a busy maternity hospital. Adjoining the village itself the vegetable garden needed to be partly re-fenced and an irrigation borehole added.

Nyafiending village had a longstanding need for a borehole which we provided plus a 5,000lt storage tank. There was much celebration on its completion.

Neneh identified another village near Janjanbureh called Bantanto and in November we finished a water system providing a further 2000 villagers with clean water.

In addition we have helped Faraba Sutu, Sankuli Kunda and a health clinic in the busy city of Brikama.

The ultimate village for 2024 is Samah Essau a village of 1500 near Barra, the work has started and we hope they will have a fully working clean water system in the next 2 weeks.

We have raised the funds by picture framing and donations and thank all those who have helped us have a very successful year.

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of PING (People in Need Gambia).

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31ST December 2024 which are set out in the following pages together with the Trustees Report for 2024.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner.

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1/. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act.

2/. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records

3/. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.

4/. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Philip Carvill
DipFA MIFS
45 Windermere Road
Belfast BT8 6QY
8th January 2025

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

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expenditure	school and transport	car repairs	Volunteer expenses	Village upgrades	New village systems	website costs	Total outgoings
Stg	368	278	43.99	500	999	500	
2023	111		35.99	500	576		
	139		29.99	1500	490		
	394		70	397	854		
	93		105	919	999		
	135		114.1	397	571		
	269.21		79	500	571		
	43.9		66	841.5	368		
			89	841.5	368		
			35.99	764	368		
			63.98	919	243		
				397	537		
				999	999		
				764	320		
					587		
					987		
Total	1553.11	278	733.04	10239	9837	500	23140.15
			Opening balance	8672			
			Income				
			HMRC	2750.23			
			Donations	14582			
			total income	17332.23			
			plus opening balance	8672			
			total	26004.23			
			Outgoings	23140.15			
			fees	69.03			
			closing balance	2933.11			

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2023 Report for PING Charity.

At the start of 2023 we decided to ask the Gambian University to ask their students studying agriculture if they would like to volunteer to help us, as our friend Momadou Joof is now past 70. The professor was very helpful and produced three possibilities.

We visited Gambia in early February for a few weeks, at our own cost as usual, and interviewed the candidates. Neneh Sowe was the best student, and she has worked with us throughout 2023, and we have paid her student fees of 368 and 394 for the year. Neneh can help the women working in the gardens with the latest information on growing vegetables.

We agreed funds for a pump for the garden and for additional tanks in Bafaluto as the population has gone from 800 to over 2000 since we put the water system into them in 2008.

Jamagen had run into problems with 3 boreholes being dug and none working, so we committed to re visit this village and with another investment and a new borehole, the water system was fully functional by April. Plus they have a vegetable garden fenced, revenue from this will support the maintenance of the water system.

Mubellet ba asked for new solar panels on their old water system and we provided these which will take the pressure of Njongon's system. These two villages now have over 3000 villagers.

Samba Yassin is working well, and Njongon are doing their own repairs to the tank.

Kerr Wally got a new pump to improve the water flow to Chessey. Their old pump was sent to Njongon which is now working better.

We provided fencing to repair the Bafaluto garden and to create a new vegetable garden in Jamagen.

All the decisions made on projects in February have been completed, with Neneh following up with each project and sending monthly reports, as well as photos via Whats app.

Neneh brought to our attention a clinic in Brikama which was struggling with no supply of clean water, so we put in a borehole and a new tank and received a great letter of thanks.

We have our Facebook page and website regularly updated with the news we receive each month.

It has been particularly difficult to raise funds this year, but we keep trying.

Trustees

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