

Trustees Annual Report for The Peace Centre Uganda
Year November 2019 to October 2020

- The name of the charity is The Peace Centre Uganda. It was registered on 23rd February 2015. This report covers the period 01/11/19 to 31/10/20.
- The registration number is: 1160583
- Address of principal office – 2 Beacon Walk, Tenterden, TN30 6SF
- Names of Trustees:
Anthony Reich – Chairperson
Andy Clapperton – Public relations and marketing
Kathryn Barnard – Child wellbeing
David Martin – Treasurer
Jenny Stevens – Secretary

No-one else has served as a trustee in this period.

- Every 4 to 6 weeks a Skype meeting is held when all Trustees are present and go through the agenda which has previously been circulated by the secretary. There are actions to be addressed, short/medium/long term which are reported on. The treasurer provides a financial statement with an update of accounts. The monthly report relating to the progress of the children and any issues relating to the operation of the orphanage in Uganda are discussed.
- The Peace Centre Uganda is a CIO. The constitution was last amended on 1st December 2014. As a CIO, the appointment of new Trustees is carried out by the existing Trustees.
- Mission Statement: Love, care and a home for Ugandan orphans.
- Objects of The Peace Centre:
 1. To promote the benefit of orphaned and vulnerable children and young people living at The Peace Centre in Bukinda, South West Uganda by:
 - a. The advancement of education and training;
 - b. The relief of poverty, sickness and training;
 - c. The promotion of good health.
 2. To advance in life and help young people through providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals.

- **Operational Developments for The Peace Centre Uganda 2015-2019:**

- The Peace Centre has 36 orphans for whom it provides a home in a secure and loving environment. We also support 2 secondary students who do not reside in The Peace Centre. They are provided with the basic needs of water, food, clothing and health care. Education is provided at either the local primary or secondary school. Their progress and academic development are monitored. Children are taught the value of a balanced lifestyle, including time for play and recreation. We seek to develop our children's life skills and wider interests, providing them with the tools to equip them for an independent future.
- Funds to provide this care are provided through a variety of ways: individual donations, money raised through specific fund-raising events; sponsorship for an individual child.
- There is a minimum of 6 months operating expenses held in The Peace Centre's account.
- The majority of the charity's funds are used to feed, clothe, educate and support the orphans.
- Children continue to make good educational progress, with all children progressing to their next academic year.
- Children's academic studies have been complemented by the provision of a more developed and comprehensive vocational training that included tailoring.
- Teacher support in the evenings has continued.
- Community service programme has become further imbedded into our practice as an organisation whereby TPC children spend one day per month helping out with the needs of the local environment and its citizens.
- The documentation and direction of our work at TPC has improved through the development and refining of our policies in order to make them better reflect what we actually do.
- Trustees continue to hold an annual meeting with the Board based in Uganda, enabling better communication and the celebration of successes and achievements.
- The annual visit in June with students from the International College Shanghai was abandoned due to Covid-19 restrictions.

- The large chicken coop continues to provide eggs for the children and is a source of income by selling the spare egg capacity.
- Phase 2 'school sponsorship model' is now in operation, whereby (primarily orphaned) children living in the region, who do not have the financial support to attend school, may do so under our sponsorship. This model helps build on our belief in family preservation, while still allowing us to care for the very neediest double orphans in the home itself. 33 children are currently under this scheme.
- Three TPC students are studying at nursing college, one at teacher training college, and one student has graduated and is teaching.
- NGO status has been achieved and that has resulted in TPC being awarded Approved Home Status by Ugandan Government.
- Total annual income still exceeds basic running costs.
- Children are being given pocket money, to help teach financial responsibility, which has had a positive impact on the children.
- Training for two students with an organisation called Days for Girls has been approved which will provide better sanitary hygiene options for girls in TPC in the wider Bukinda community. This will be undertaken once Covid restrictions are lifted.

- **Operational Developments during 2019-2020**

- In January 2020 Peace Magezi, Executive Director of The Peace Centre, died after a long and brave battle with breast cancer. Her loss is felt by all of us, but we find strength knowing that her legacy, the love and care that she stood for, lives on in all we do at The Peace Centre. Emotional support was provided to the children and staff at this time. Golden Magezi has taken over the role of Executive Director. Racheal Naamanya is now the official warden of TPC in line with Ugandan Government regulations.
- TPC was shut down at the end of March 2020 due to Covid-19 lockdown measures imposed in Uganda. All children had to leave and go to their caregiver within the community.
- Before the children left to live with the carers, health and sanitation training was carried out with the children and caregivers. They were also given soap and disinfectant.

- During lockdown the staff have undertaken an intense schedule of unannounced visits to ensure that the children are being looked after, to monitor their situation, health, wellbeing, as well as to provide them with any necessary supplies, including food.
- A motorbike has been purchased, and used to ensure that children not resident in the village are also visited.
- In addition TPC is also providing some supplies to support as many people in the local community as possible. They are supplying food and soap to those most in need, including elderly and HIV positive members of the community.
- Many of the older children are supporting their caregivers in different ways. Some have found part-time work, allowing them to help with buying food or ensuring upkeep of the home.
- New generator has been purchased which ensures that the children have light for evening studies and the water supply is maintained.
- Providing some financial support for the male warden in his studies to become a qualified teacher, in exchange for a commitment to work for two years after qualifying.
- An Educational Study Trip was undertaken by children and staff to a tea plantation at Kisoro.



Charity Name The Peace Centre Uganda	No (if any) 1160583
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Nov-19	To	Period end date 31-Oct-20
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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					
Donations & fundraising	30,773	-	-	30,773	-
Child sponsorship	23,162	-	-	23,162	-
Gift Aid	1,624	-	-	1,624	-
Interest on deposit account	63	-	-	63	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	55,622	-	-	55,622	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	55,622	-	-	55,622	-
A3 Payments					
Funds to The Peace Centre Uganda	36,400	-	-	36,400	-
Funds transfer charges	165	-	-	165	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	36,565	-	-	36,565	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Car for the Peace Centre Uganda	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	36,565	-	-	36,565	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,057	-	-	19,057	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	78,998	-	-	78,998	-
Cash funds this year end	98,055	-	-	98,055	-

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	UK banks	98,055	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	98,055	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

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

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
D J Martin Treasurer	D J MARTIN	10/02/21



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
The Peace Centre Uganda

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 October 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

1160583

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Responsibilities and basis of
report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 10 / 2020**.

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's
statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: G Pennington

Date: 10 February 2021

Name: GEOFFREY PENNINGTON

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):**

Retired Chartered Management Accountant. Past member of CIMA.

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

