



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	July	2019		30	June	2020

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## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Isaacs House

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1124542

Charity's principal address

50 CABLE STREET

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LIVERPOOL

Postcode

L37 3LX

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Paul Howells	Chair	1 July 2019 to 1 March 2020	
2	Julia Wignall	Trustee		
3	Hayley Gilroy	Trustee		
4	Beth Hogg	Chair	1 March 2020 onwards	
5	Liam McGuire	Trustee	1 July 2019 to 1 August 2019	
6	Peter Malone	Trustee	1 July 2019 to 1 April 2020	
7	Jill Sheridan	Trustee	1 March 2020 onwards	
8	Paul Howells	Trustee	1 March 2020 onwards	
9	Beth Hogg	Trustee	1 July 2019 to 1 March 2020	
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year


### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Not applicable		

### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Not applicable

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Filed with Charity Commission
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by majority vote at Trustee Meeting

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

**Objectives**

Isaac's House charity has a vision to provide a home or support for children affected by war, HIV and poverty.

The children Isaac's House support are vulnerable. Many have lost parents and have been witness to shocking acts of violence that deprive them of their childhood and can blight the rest of their lives. We create safe, sustainable environments in which health, education and growth can be achieved.

Isaac's House provide the children with a safe and stable place to live, regular nutritional meals, clothing, access to healthcare and education and most of all, a place to call 'home'. Our team of Ugandan staff who care for the children, all work hard to make the house a family environment.

Isaac's House provide support to those vulnerable in the immediate wider community, supporting with rent, healthcare, education etc

Our aim is to support the most needy and our objective is to keep children with their own family wherever possible.

**How we work**

Isaac's House is largely run by volunteers and relies on their commitment and support to carry out the work of the charity. Isaac's House has regular income generated from individuals donating monthly payments towards the costs of those we support. The charity has individuals sponsoring children at our house and these funds pay for their education. The committee and other volunteers fundraise for specific projects as and when the need arises.

## Trustees Report for Financial Year 2019/2020

The Committee of Isaac's House have carried out their duties in the management of Isaac's House charity successfully during the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.

They have overseen all charity activity, ensured the accounts have been handled in the correct manner and that all relevant business transactions have been carried out in full.

At Isaac's House we have ensured our children have grown up in a family environment whilst maintaining contact with their relatives. With the same team of staff we've had a safe, happy and stable environment for the children.

New legislation is now enacted in Uganda:

### **Ugandan Children's Act**

A child should remain in institutional care only for the period of time necessary to trace family and resettle the child.

All reasonable measures should be taken to help families stay together only children whose family are unable, or unwilling, to look after the child, even with appropriate support.

### **UN Guidelines for Alternative Care**

Poverty is not a reason for separation: The Guidelines make clear that financial or material poverty are not conditions for separation of a child from his/her family.

In line with these changes, James Dunn House of Hope was **closed** on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020, with all children needed to be **re-settled**.

All the children were due to start back at boarding school so they went to their respective schools and Jessica social worker provided the paperwork of the resettlement plans to the officials which asks details on future support and reunification packages.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

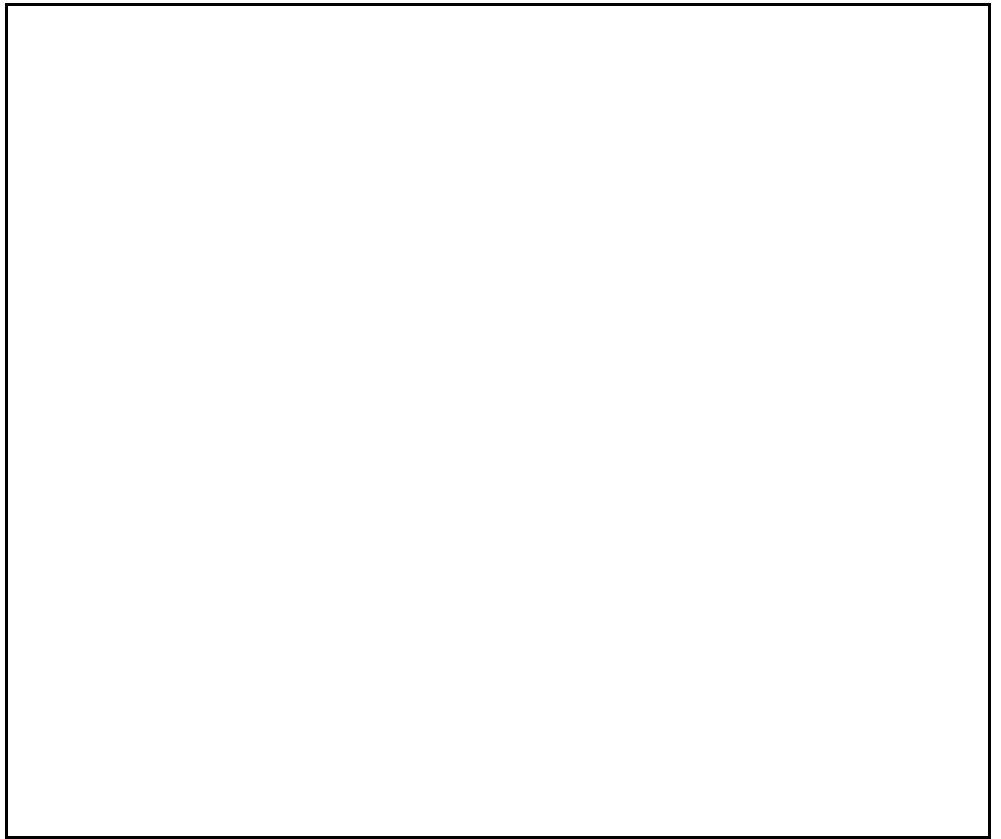
In line with the Ugandan legislation, the objectives of the charity have been amended.

The primary focus of the charity is now as follows:

- Continuing with the same EDUCATION plans
- Providing HEALTH care if needed
- Each school holiday supplying a FOOD package
- Topping up rent money for families needing an extra room in their HOME
- Organise FAMILY days each holiday
- Provide children with access to COMMUNICATION
- Team to continue attending SCHOOL visitations
- Jessica social worker to visit their HOMES and FAMILY

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



## Section D Achievements and performance

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

Since re-homing, the Isaac's House children have continued to flourish in a secure and stable environment.

- Children continued to work hard at school with good examination results achieved by several children.
- We continue to extend support to children in the community, sometimes through helping their parents.
- Our chair and founder visits Uganda four times per year, spending time with the children and ensuring their wellbeing.

It is with great sadness that our committee and trustees announce the death of trustee Peter Malone in April 2020. Peter has been a long serving trustee for Isaacs House and has provided much guidance to the team over the years. We wish to formally thank Peter for all of his contributions. Rest in peace Peter.

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Policy to establish 12 to 18 months of running cost in reserve, held in Charity bank account approved in Financial Year June 2012 to July 2013. This policy continues to be the funding target.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The Charity continues to employ one part time Project Co-ordinator for 18 hours per week. This is due to the charity growing and needing to move beyond placing reliance on volunteers for key areas such as administration, planning, support in policy making, delivery of actions identified at Committee meetings etc.

## Section F Other optional information

## Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Paul Howells

Chair

Full name(s)

Julia Anne Wignall

Treasurer

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date

27 April 2021





# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

<b>Report to the trustees/ members of</b>	Isaacs House		
<b>On accounts for the year ended</b>	30 June 2020	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	1124542
<b>Set out on pages</b>	Cc16a Isaacs House Financial Year July 2019 to June 2020 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		
<b>Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner</b>	<p>The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.</p> <p>It is my responsibility to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,</li> <li>• to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and</li> <li>• to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.</li> </ul>		
<b>Basis of independent examiner's statement</b>	<p>My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.</p>		
<b>Independent examiner's statement</b>	<p>In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and</li> <li>• to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</li> </ol>		
<b>Signed:</b>	Paul Morris		<b>Date:</b> 28 April 2020
<b>Name:</b>	Paul Morris		
<b>Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):</b>	CIMA		

<b>Address:</b>	Nursery House
	Knowsley Lane
	Prescot L34 7HD

**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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