

Ardingly Old Jeshwang Association

Annual Report - July 2021 - June 2022

The Trustees are pleased to present their report for the year ended 30th June, 2022

Ardingly Old Jeshwang Health Centre is a community-based health facility located in Old Jeshwang Village in the Kanifing Municipality, The Gambia. AOJA was formed in 1993. Its aim is to provide affordable healthcare for the community of Old Jeshwang. To this end, in 2000, we, assisted by a National Lotteries grant, financed, designed and built a modern health centre to which we now contribute to the costs of staff salaries and other funds as deemed necessary. Although as yet unable to support it financially, The Gambian government accepts our facility as an integral part of its health care system and it is the permanent home of the Area Public Health Officer, overseeing immunisation and blood donation programmes. It has a well-established local administration responsible for the day-to-day operation of the facility. Following the untimely demise of the original Administrator, a new administration was appointed in August, 2021, ably led by Chernoh Yaddeh.

The Charity Registration No. is 1024627 and is governed by its constitution dated July, 1993 as amended Nov, 2006. The registered office is: 35, College Road, Ardingly, HAYWARDS HEATH, West Sussex RH17 6TU. Its Officers are:

Chairman – Mr. Lynn Wilson
Vice Chairman/Secretary – Mr. Peter Tomlin
Treasurer – Mrs. Peggy Guggenheim
Assistant Treasurer – Mrs. Barbara Monk
The Trustees are Lynn Wilson, Barbara Monk and David Ogilvie

Finance

The attached Receipts and Payments Account for our financial year ended 30th June, 2022 show our cash funds, without charge, stand at £29772. Fundraising has of course been severely restricted due to COVID but our strong sponsorship base helps maintain our financial stability. While maintaining our support of the Clinic, we are moving towards more self-sufficiency so that, in time, the Clinic may be independent, which is in line with the original precept – that of a 'Tesito' (self-help) project. Currently, we have individual sponsors who contribute regular sums each calendar month, added to which we have a number of individual sponsors who make regular, annual contributions. Those sponsors who qualify under the Gift Aid scheme generate additional payments from HMRC. With a current outgoing payment commitment to cover some salaries, this means that we are able to

maintain a healthy savings account to be used for any extraordinary payments which the committee feels fall either within our remit or are otherwise justified, in addition to providing funds towards any authorised future capital expenditure. While it is always possible and desirable that new sponsors might be attracted, the Trustees are conscious that sponsorship may naturally reduce over time.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees of AOJA have identified and are aware of potential risks to which the charity might be exposed and will keep these under constant review to establish procedures to mitigate them.

Activities

Due largely to the COVID-19 pandemic, it has not been possible for a representative of our committee to travel to The Gambia in recent years. Fortunately, the new administration which took effect in August, 2021 has materially changed our lines of communication and regular reporting so that we are now much better informed of the Clinic's activities, successes or difficulties and therefore able to respond more effectively. While this will not deter us from re-activating timely visits (indeed a visit by members of our committee is provisionally planned in early 2023), we are much encouraged by these changes.

This year one major development has been the provision to the Clinic of a modern, colour, portable Ultrasound Machine, funded partly from the memorial funds arising from the passing of our former Chairmen, Stephen Doerr and Dr. John Dale and also from our own accrued savings. Immediately shipped to The Gambia, this machine has greatly enhanced our maternity services on site.

In addition, our website <u>WWW.AOJA.ORG</u> has been refreshed over the past year and now contains much more up-to-date information, delivery and attendance data together with periodical newsletters and situation reports from our General Administrator.

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Lynn C. Wilson, Chairman

Date: **** *****, 2023

Ardingly Old Jeshwang Association

Charity account number 1024627

Receipts and Payments Account

1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022

	2022	2021
Receipts		
Individual donations	290	170
Gift aided donations and tax relief received	23605	23032
St. Peters Church donations	-	1000
Donations for Sponsored Education and oncosts	1522	1844
Fundraising income – book sales	240	-
Bank Interest	2	10
Stephen Doerr Memorial Fund	895	-
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Total Receipts	26554	26056
Charitable Activity Costs		
Furlough Grants	_	316
Repairs, Building and redecorations	-	3031
Sponsored Education and oncosts	1763	1866
General Operating Expenses	12897	15580
Generator and oncosts	570	987
Equipment purchase - Ultrasound	4720	-
Buildings Insurance – Clinic		338
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Represented by

Barclays Bank plc Current Account

Deposit Account

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- The day to day management of the Health Centre was officially handed over to the Old Jeshwang Health Centre Management Committee (The Gambia) in 2019
- 2. Old Jeshwang Health Centre Management Committee (The Gambia) now account separately
- 3. Manual cash books and partially computerized accounts are kept at Old Jeshwang Health Centre (The Gambia) for their own accounts
- 4. Income Tax has been recovered on gift aid payments
- 5. Professional services are donated free of charge
- 6. Payments for staff and materials made by the Ministry of Health, The Gambia have been omitted as these are received directly by the Old Jeshwang Management Committee (The Gambia)
- 7. Exchange rates have fluctuated during the year
- 8. Redcoat Express Ltd ship equipment for the Association without charge
- Funds from the Stephen Doerr Memorial Fund, together with the final balance of the Dr. John Dale Memorial Fund and gift aid received were used towards the purchase of an Ultrasound machine for the Clinic

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I have examined the Cash Book, Receipts and Payments Accounts, together with the bank statements from Barclays Bank plc, and have found that the Receipts and Payments Account is correct.

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