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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name

Help Hoima

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present their annual report on the affairs of the charity together with the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2017. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014.

Objectives and Activities

The North Hampshire based charity, Help Hoima, aims to improve the quality of healthcare, education and agriculture in Hoima, Uganda. The charity also helps to support the Mustard Seed Orphanage. The charity raises money to send to the Diocese of Bunyora Kitera to channel into new building projects in schools and the Azur Clinic, as well as supporting long-standing commitments, such as the payment of maternity and paediatric staff, a doctor and now a surgeon in the Azur Clinic.

The challenge is to raise sufficient funds to meet these regular payments, as well as to invest in long term self-sustaining projects such as the Wallis Tree Project. The funds are raised through regular giving by a list of donors and fund raising events. Many from our North Hampshire community including medical staff from the North Hampshire Hospitals visit Hoima on a regular basis to set up and monitor projects, and to help identify any immediate needs in the community.

Structure, Governance and Management

Help Hoima was established as a registered charity in 2007 formalising a strong and long standing link between the Bunyoro Kitara diocese in Uganda and the Odiham Deanery in Hampshire. Help Hoima has six trustees and operates with a minimum of four meeting quarterly when the distribution of funds is discussed and agreed. Every new trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a Special Meeting. We are governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 31 January 2008.

Achievements and Performance

The Azur Clinic

We presently provide financial assistance to the Azur Clinic including the maternity and paediatric units. In addition, the Clinic undertakes family planning, immunisations and HIV counselling and ultrasound scans. The Clinic received HIV accreditation status in 2012 that enabled it to provide a broad spectrum of HIV related services. Since July 2010 we have been undertaking caesarean sections in our own operating theatre and employing a surgeon and surgical team. From the period of opening in 2007 until April 2017 the Azur Clinic has delivered 16,000 babies. The Paediatric wing with 30 beds is treating over 200 children a month suffering from anything from burns to malaria. The latest building completed was a vitally needed Outpatients Unit which was funded externally. We commissioned a new blood bank in January 2017. The link to BHPH follows under the link to other charities.

Mustard Seed Orphanage

We began by transferring monies donated by parish members of St John's Hartley Wintney to the orphanage in Hoima under a "sponsored child" scheme. Now the donors give directly to us and the sponsoring scheme is entirely under "Help Hoima". These funds are essential for the orphanage and support education. We continue to support them on their courageous road to self-sufficiency. The current number of children is approximately 70 and they are thriving and receiving excellent education. The Mustard Seed Orphanage is currently continuing with the resettlement programme which aims to return teenagers to their community with support, and so provide much needed space in the orphanage for infants and toddlers; So far over 25 teenagers have been successfully reintegrated back into their communities with many more in the planning stages. The Mothering Sunday Service in our Benefice supported the Mustard Seed Orphanage this year and raised £3,000. This has been used to refurbish the orphanage that has made it a brighter and more comfortable home for the children.

The Wallis Tree Project

The Wallis Tree Project is well under way with over 86,000 trees planted, pine for short term income and hard wood for long term sustainability. We continue to observe and monitor this investment and the results are very encouraging. The plan is to plant 6-7000 more trees in the next year. Some pine trees have been thinned this year, which is the first step towards our long-term aim of each project becoming self-sustaining.

Education

The Canon Njangali Girls' School continues to grow and thrive. The parents have become increasingly involved in the fundraising and maintenance of the school. Particular focus is on the development of the science laboratory. The school's numbers continue to grow and now stand at over 200.

Trips to Uganda

The success of the August 2010 youth trip inspired a larger group to visit Uganda in August 2012. Many of those who went in 2012 are keen to return and there are many more hoping to go. We are hopeful that these enthusiastic volunteers, who fund their own expeditions, will be the fundraisers of the future. The Help Hoima trustees visited Hoima in September 2011 (at their own expense) and visited all the current projects including the official opening of the Paediatric unit by the President of Uganda and the King of Bunyoro Kitara. The trustees returned in December 2016 to attend the new bishop's enthronement, also attended by Bishop David Williams, Bishop of Basingstoke.

Links to other charities

As a result of the expansion of the Azur Clinic, Basingstoke Hoima Partnership for Health, (BHPH) continued to send even larger medical teams to support and train local staff in the clinic and the local government hospital. BHPH are currently making 4/5 trips annually with an average of 10-12 medics with several long term sabbaticals in place. Links between Help Hoima and Maternity Worldwide have been cemented. The Laura Case Trust has continued to support Help Hoima for which we are very grateful.

Financial Review

In this year of operation as an independent charity we received approximately £89,500 in donations, mostly from individuals, primarily across our parishes in North Hampshire, but also from the churches themselves. We continue to have the majority of our donations untied to specific projects, which allows us the flexibility to act according to local priorities. We continue to rely on the bishop to help us prioritise the needs, but one of our trustees, Duncan Sherlock, has visited several times this past year to review projects and oversee the local accounts. This year we have sent £110,300 to Hoima, which compares with £110,900 last year.

Our financial priorities continue to be the maternity ward and the paediatric unit of the Azur Clinic and the Mustard Seed Orphanage, providing them with operational financial support. We will continue to invest in the Wallis Tree Project. We have also contributed £20,000 towards the Volunteers' house and £10,000 to the Blood Bank. The majority of funding for the Diocesan Training Centre is provided from local churches.

At the end of the financial year, we were held a cash balance of £15,798. Our finances are in very sound condition. We have maintained our objective of collecting sufficient monthly donations to fully cover our operating commitments leaving us to fundraise as we need to for more capital projects. Over £10,000 continues to be invested in a CLA account as a cushion in the event of declining donations, or to fund emergency projects.

Trustees' Report (Continued)

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees hereby state, that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit, published by the commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

Trustees Responsibilities

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make sound judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether appointed accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sarah M Wallis (Chairman)

28 February 2018

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 August 2017, which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

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.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 os limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities 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 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.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 April 2017

	Note	Total Funds (Unrestricted) 2017 £	Total Funds (Unrestricted) 2016 £	
Income and Endowments	•			
Donations and Legacies: Donations		89,479	132,636	
Income from Investments: Bank Interest	_	40	47	
Total Income and Endowments		89,519 132,683		
Expenditure				
Expenditure on Raising Funds				
Just Giving Subscription		216	216	
Charitable Activities				
Azur Clinic Maternity Unit		54,500	90,100	
Blood Bank		10,000	-	
Volunteers House		20,000	-	
Mustard Seed Orphanage		15,000	9,000	
The Wallis Tree Project		4,000	-	
Diocese Training Centre		-	3,000	
Miscellaneous Projects		9,500	8,800	
Travelling to Monitor Grants Made		2,277	2,710	
Bank Charges & Accountancy		345	183	
Total Expenditure		115,838	114,009	
Net Income / (Expenditure)	4	(26,319)	18,674	

Balance sheet as at 30 April 2017

	Note	30 April 2017 £	30 April 2016 £
Current Assets			
Bank Current and Deposit Accounts		15,798	41,989
Other Debtors		-	198
Net Current Assets		15,798	42,117
Net Assets	_	15,798	42,117
Funds			
Unrestricted Funds: General Fund	4	15,798	42,117
Total Funds	_	15,798	42,117

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Sarah M Wallis

Chairman

28 February 2018

Notes to the financial statements

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

The Trustees have taken advantage of the option available to small non-company charities with financial years ending on or after 1 April 2009 that have an income of £250,000 or less to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are subject to restrictions on their expenditure as imposed by a donor or grant provider.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities on a receipts basis. Donations are included when receivable. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.

Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on a payments basis. Charitable expenditure includes those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity.

Foreign Currency Translation

Incoming resources and resources expended in foreign currencies are recorded at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

2 Trustees Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

All trustees gave their time voluntarily and received no remuneration nor benefits from the charity.

Duncan Sherlock, a Trustee, was reimbursed £2,277 (2016: £2,710) during the year for air travel expenses incurred while monitoring grant expenditure on behalf of the charity. Mr Sherlock subsequently made a donation back to the charity of £2,200.

3 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges for the year have arisen in the charity.

Notes to the financial statements (Continued)

4 Charity Funds

	Brought Forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Carried Forward £
Current year				
Unrestricted Funds	42,117	89,519	(115,838)	15,798
Previous year				
Unrestricted Funds	23,443	132,683	(114,009)	42,117

The unrestricted funds are available to be spent for any purpose of the Charity.