



Trustees Report for Prodigal Bikes for 1st November 2017 to 31st October 2018

Legal Status:

Prodigal Bikes is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered on 20th December 2016, registration number 1170845. It was recognised by HM Revenue and Customs as a charity for tax purposes on 23rd October 2017, effective from 21st December 2016.

Charitable Objectives:

Prodigal Bikes has two objectives; firstly we aim to provide suitable bikes, donated by the public here, to people in Africa to enable them to gain access to education, trade, employment or healthcare. Secondly, we aim to prepare the bikes here with ex-offenders and other disengaged people, to teach them basic engineering skills and inspire them towards employment in Engineering-related jobs, away from crime. We believe this work can give them a real sense of achievement and self-worth, through them making significant contributions to helping some of the world's poorest people.

Review of Activities and Achievements for 1st November 2017 to 31st October 2018:

1. Fund raising.

A second African-themed food and drumming evening was organised by trustees Anthony Raybould and Stephen Crane in April 2018, raising £200. There has also been a steady income from public donations and bike sales. In April 2018 we very fortunate to receive a grant of £2600 from the Screwfix Foundation to fund the preparation of the workshop.



Africa Night 2 at the Merriott Village Hall

2. Supply of Bikes to Kenya.

The first batch of 120 bikes was completed in December 2017. Tools and spares kits for 4 schools plus a comprehensive tool and spares kit for Gai Polytechnic were compiled from donated items, and the remaining items purchased. The loading of the container with these bikes, tools and spare parts took place at Furringdon Farm in January 2018.

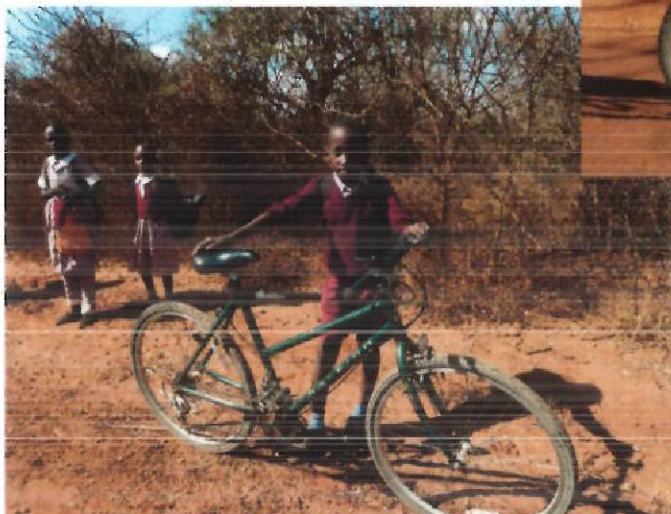
The container was delayed for a number of weeks in Mombasa and again in Nairobi for two separate inspections by Kenyan customs. Due to a particularly wet season, the bikes were transferred into vans and driven up to Gai, arriving in May 2018.

The bikes were handed out to school children and teachers from schools in the surrounding area at a hand-over day at Gai Polytechnic a few days later. A number of bikes were also given to a local HIV clinic for their health workers and patients to use.

A subsequent visit by Dr James Buckle of the Akamba Aid Fund in October 2018 confirmed around 80% of the bikes were still running. The recipients were able to safely ride and maintain the bikes, and were thrilled to receive them.



Our bikes in and around Gai, North Eastern Kenya, with their new owners



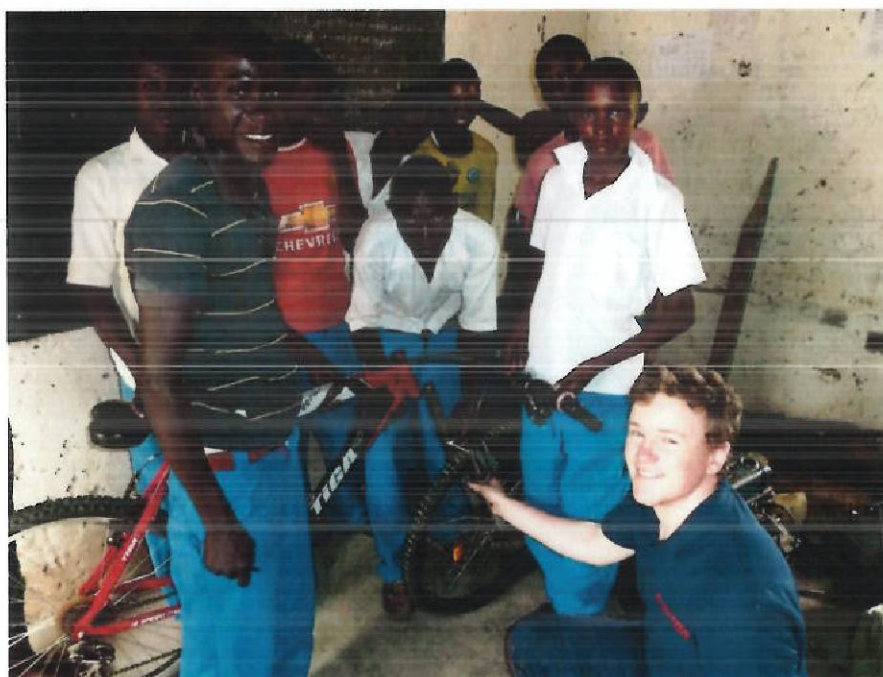
3. Supply of Bikes to Malawi

A second batch of 10 bikes was provided to another local West Country charity, Hooke Court in Malawi, in February 2018, along with tools and spares. These bikes were loaded by volunteers from the Hooke Court in Malawi charity along with many other education resource materials into a 20ft container in April 2018. This container arrived in Bandawe, Malawi, in July 2018 and the bikes given out to a number of school teachers who were having to walk many miles to the schools they teach at. Subsequent feedback 1 year later from Hooke Court read "They have been so appreciated and incredibly well used".



4. Visit by Prodigal Bikes Volunteer Calum McFarlane to Gai, Kenya to train bike mechanics

In March 2018, Prodigal Bikes volunteer Calum McFarlane travelled to Gai, Kenya, with 4 others from our partner charity the Akamba Aid Fund. The plan was to unload and distribute the bikes from the container sent in January, but owing to the delay in Kenyan customs, Calum was 2 months ahead of the container. Calum visited a number of schools, who all expressed an interest in receiving bikes. He also trained a number of students at the Polytechnic in Gai in mountain bike maintenance. The students have subsequently assisted in helping to maintain the bikes for the local school children.



5. Finding and Equipping a Suitable Building to be our Store and Workshop.

A large workshop, on the same site as the container used for storing the first batch of bikes at Furrington Farm, was identified at the end of 2018 as a suitable building for Prodigal Bikes to base its workshop and bike store in. This building is ideal for a number of reasons:

- Good access for HGVs directly from an A-road, rather than through narrow country lanes.
- A road looping around in the farm yard providing a large turning area for HGVs.
- A rural setting away from large numbers of residential properties.
- A large 800 square feet of floorspace.
- Large doors at one end to allow HGVs to reverse into the workshop, and allow loading of containers undercover if required.
- Relatively good value to rent at only £300 per month including electricity.

The workshop was, however, very dirty inside and needed a full repaint inside and out. A grant from the Screwfix Foundation was received in April 2018 for this work, and in June 2018 work commenced to fully repaint the workshop. This took longer than expected, but was completed in October 2018. Then as the weather turned through the autumn, numerous drafts, roof leaks and issues with the guttering were identified and rectified. Four sets of work benches, bike stands and tool kits were purchased and combined with tools donated by the public. The workshop was decorated with a number of old bikes and the Prodigal Bikes banner. Subsequently, training of local disengaged people commenced in the workshop in January 2019. Apart from lack of heating, the workshop is proving ideal for its intended purpose.



6. Working with Ex-offenders and other disengaged people.

The work with ex-offenders has not started during the reporting period as the workshop was not yet ready. This work has now started as of January 2019.

Future plans

With Prodigal Bikes now fully up and running, our plan for 2019 is to stabilise our finances, concentrate on delivering more bikes to Africa, and help people here towards employment in engineering-related work and move away from crime.

Charity Accounts

The charity's accounts attached to this report have been prepared in line with current statutory requirements.

On behalf of the trustees



Anthony Raybould – Founder of Prodigal Bikes.
19th August 2019



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

PRODIGAL BIKES

On accounts for the year
ended

31ST OCTOBER 2018

Charity no
(if any)

1170845

Set out on pages

from which the accounts have been prepared

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31.10.2018.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of 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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Neil Lukins

Date:

2-8-2019

Name:

NEIL LUKINS

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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

NONE



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Prodigal Bikes

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Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/11/2017

To

31/10/2018

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and Fund Raising	2,083	-	-	2,083	4,264
Grant from Screwfix for Workshop	2,600	-	-	2,600	-
Bike sales	305	-	-	305	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,988	-	-	4,988	4,264
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,988	-	-	4,988	4,264
A3 Payments					
Bike parts & tools	666	-	-	666	-
Honorarium paid to trustee	600	-	-	600	-
Payment to trustee for services provided	1,200	-	-	1,200	695
Workshop decoration & fit-out	583	-	-	583	-
Rent of workshop	1,230	-	-	1,230	450
Cost of Fundraising	991	-	-	991	1,063
Misc Expenditure	319	-	-	319	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	5,589	-	-	5,589	2,208
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	5,589	-	-	5,589	2,208
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 601	-	-	- 601	2,056
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,953	-	-	1,953	-
Cash funds this year end	1,352	-	-	1,352	2,056

2,311

1,952

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	Lloyds Bank	1,352	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,352	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	STOCK OF DONATED BICYCLES	UNRESTRICTED	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	