



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

1 March 2018

To

Period end date

31 December 2019

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Asantoa Foundation

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1177192

Charity's principal address

5 Low Wood Road

Erdington

Birmingham

Postcode

B23 6HE

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 Dwayne Neveu	Vice Chair		
2 Marcia Neveu	Treasurer		
3 Frances Thomas	Chair		
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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
Dwayne Neveu	
Marcia Neveu	
Frances Thomas	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(e.g. trust, association, company)

Charitable Company CIO

Trustee selection methods
(e.g. appointed, elected by)

Elected

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.

None

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

For the public benefit, the prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship in Ghana by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.

To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of the Ashanti region of Ghana in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in their own community.

To advance the education of the pupils at Asantoa Model school in Kumasi, by providing and assisting in the provision of additional resources not required to be provided by the local education authority for education at the school.

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)

The focus in meeting the public benefit aspects of the foundations purpose has been to provide resources that enable the communities to develop their financial independence by acquiring and sharing new skills that provide a regular income, with a means of becoming more sustainable.

An example of this has been the delivery of a Jewellery workshop held in three areas of the Ashanti region in Ghana. Students of the classes acquired transferable skills that enabled them to set up small enterprises which generated a wage for themselves.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This year the foundation has worked with 30 volunteers from 4 communities in Ghana, West Africa.

The charity has supported two schools in Ghana providing them with donations of clothing, toiletries, food items, for direct use by the children and stationery and other equipment for use and recycling by the schools.

Jewellery workshops held in three areas of the Ashanti region of Ghana. Attended by over 80 participants from different age groups and genders.

Those who completed the classes were given starter packs from which they were able to set up small self-employment enterprises,

We also went to Tarkwa Banso in the Wasa West of Ghana to review the clinic that had been built four years ago. Significant progress had been made over this time, with the establishment of a small maternity unit, allowing the clinic to reach new villages. The clinic reported that over the four years there has been a major decrease in the childbirth mortality rate.

Over Christmas the foundation provided resources that enabled over 150 children and their families to celebrate with a special meal and to join in festivities.

UK - we have supported several local charities through donations of clothing, bedding and footwear. Resources were received through donations from Churches and individuals throughout the period.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

During the first year the Charity has not developed a reserves policy. However, this is an item for consideration as funds increase.

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 plans for a few fundraising activities have not yet materialised, hence most of our activities have been through in-kind donations of gifts and time.

These donations have been helpful in allowing the charity to meet its key objective of helping towards relief of poverty in the Ashanti region. It reinforced the foundations belief that giving money directly to communities would not lift communities out of poverty.

A key part of the fundraising strategy is to generate in-kind income – volunteer time and skill to leverage finance from within Ghana itself.

Section F Other optional information

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Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Thom R

Full name(s)

Marcia Neveu

Frances Thomas

Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc.)

Treasurer

Chair

Date _____

20/01/2020