

AIM FOR CHANGE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

Administration information

Aim for Change (registered charity number no. 1107924) is situated in Market Bosworth, Leicestershire. The correspondence address is 31 York Close, Market Bosworth, Leicestershire, CV13 0ND

The following trustees who have served from 1 April 2018 until the date this report was approved are:

Mrs Ruth James (founder)
Mrs Nicola Ridout
Mrs Nicola Yates-Smith
Dr Domini James
Dr Lawrence Miall
Mr Robert Leake
Dr Matt James

Structure, governance and management

Aim for Change is governed by a declaration of trust executed on 13th October 2004 as amended by supplemental deed dated 20th January 2005. The legal form adopted by the charity is that of a trust.

The above trustees are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance, including trustee appointment, to Aim for Change including deciding on how the funds of Aim for Change are to be spent.

Aim and purposes

The aim of the charity is to give hope and security to impoverished families, orphans and street children who are living in the very rural bush areas of Uganda and Pakistan through the development of education, healthcare and self sufficiency.

Aim for Change has been working in Uganda for 16 years and in Pakistan for 13 years; we have been officially registered with the UK Charity Commission for 14 years.

The ethos of the charity is: Education – Health Care – Self Sufficiency.

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Objectives and activities

Aim for Change is committed to helping as many children and adults as possible who are living in poverty; working at present in Uganda and Pakistan through:

- Giving children the opportunity of education
- Improving health care through fresh water boreholes and medical facilities
- Enabling people to support themselves through animal projects/small businesses

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the ethos of Aim for Change.

Achievements and performance

Education

The charity cares for many children and young people, including orphan/street/refugee children of Uganda and orphan/refugee/abused children of Pakistan. We support several schools, in Uganda, helping to provide school materials, resources and in some cases, funding for building work. All schools supported were built by the charity. An increasing number of the young people have now progressed to vocational training and university degree courses, on completion of their Secondary education. In Mbarara, where, through sponsorship, the charity supports a large number of former street children, several students have now graduated, secured employment and are voluntarily contributing to towards the education costs of new intake street children. Young people in Lira have also graduated or are nearing the completion of higher education courses. In Pakistan, the small school in our orphanage has continued to grow in numbers attending. The charity continues to help provide school equipment and materials for this school, as the need arises and also for a small school in a refugee colony in Islamabad.

Health Care

Through grants many fresh water boreholes have been provided in Uganda in communities and at schools, where the water is also accessed by the wider community. Boreholes have also been provided in Pakistan.

Self sufficiency

The charity provides individual animal projects/cultivation/farming/large community projects which include; water provision, cultivation, animals, sewing projects and small businesses. We have many chicken/pig/goat projects.

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Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £83,657 of which £78,990 were donations. A total of £47,899 was spent on charitable causes, with approx. 82% of this being spent in Uganda and 18% in Pakistan.

Travelling costs of £3,131 (2018 - £4,176) were spent during the year for visiting Uganda and Pakistan for Ruth James and Nicola Ridout. Nicola's costs are covered by the charity in lieu of salary for hours worked in the charity office and Ruth's costs are covered by her personal donation to the charity.

Telephone expenditure of £15 (2018 - £5) was for international phone cards used to call the charity's projects in Uganda and Pakistan from a UK landline.

A surplus of £27,376 was made in the year. The charity's bank balance at the year end was £104,443 and total assets were £292,739.

The full financial results can be seen on pages 5 & 6.

Policy on reserves

The trustees hold reserves in order to meet any potential fluctuations in receipts and payments, and to enable the organisation to continue fulfilling its charitable aims and objectives.

After taking account of assets not readily realised into cash, the charity had £104,443 (2018 - £77,066) held in reserves at the year end.

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales 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 the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993, the Charity Regulations 2008 and trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees on 15 January 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

Mrs Ruth James
Founder/chair/trustee

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CHARITY NO 1107924**

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2019

AIM FOR CHANGE**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT****YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019**

	<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>	
	Unrestricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £
INCOME				
Donations received		78,990		46,916
HMRC gift aid received		4,610		5,536
Gross interest		57		20
		<u>83,657</u>		<u>52,472</u>
EXPENSES				
<u>Charitable causes</u>				
Uganda	39,499		19,948	
Pakistan	8,400		40,600	
	<u></u>	<u>47,899</u>	<u></u>	<u>60,548</u>
<u>Administration</u>				
Travelling	3,131		4,176	
Telephone	15		5	
Promotional and website	2,674		1,188	
Printing, postage and stationery	826		690	
Bank charges and money transfer fees	1,388		645	
Software and IT	348		-	
Depreciation	-		450	
	<u></u>	<u>8,381</u>	<u></u>	<u>7,153</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		<u><u>27,376</u></u>		<u><u>(15,229)</u></u>

AIM FOR CHANGE**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****AS AT 31 MARCH 2019**

	<u>2019</u> Unrestricted funds £	<u>2018</u> Unrestricted funds £
Fixed Assets		
Properties and equipment in Uganda	132,546	132,546
Land, property and equipment in Pakistan	55,750	55,750
	<u>188,296</u>	<u>188,296</u>
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	104,443	77,066
	<u>104,443</u>	<u>77,066</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>292,739</u></u>	<u><u>265,362</u></u>
Funds of the Charity		
Amounts brought forward		
Designated reserves	188,297	196,747
Undesignated reserves	77,066	83,845
Surplus/(Deficit) this year	27,376	(15,229)
	<u><u>292,739</u></u>	<u><u>265,362</u></u>

Approved by the trustees on 15 January 2020 by:

Signed

Mrs Ruth James

Founder/chair/trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Aim for Change (Charity No 1107924)

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2019 which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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 you as 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 next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Andrew Niven MAAT

Member of: The Association of Accounting Technicians

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15 January 2020