

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 2018 TO MARCH 2019

# **Objects:**

The objects of Magalen Community Services (MCS) are:

MCS seeks to improve livelihoods of mothers and children in rural and disadvantaged communities in Uganda through planning and development of projects in the agricultural sector, health sector, education and employment. Our aim is to see a more economically empowered community, improved living standards and increased entrepreneurial skills initiatives - through business activities and saving schemes.

## Activities:

In order to fulfil these objectives MCS funds the activities of a group of residents of Magola Sub-County. This group of dedicated and hard working people act as leaders and facilitators for learning and development within the community. They have skills and knowledge in the fields of agriculture and animal husbandry, as well as child rearing and nutrition.

During this year the Village Learning Programme continued to provide support, advice and practical assistance to people living in rural communities. Participants in the programme reported an improved quality of life as a result of better management of food cultivation and management.

The MCS volunteers assisted a group of local women to set up a savings scheme, which assists families to manage the small amounts of cash that they have available over time. This programme is entirely managed by its members and they have expressed a high level of satisfaction in the positive effect this has on their money management.

In this year a scheme commenced to provide instruction in tailoring for any member of the community who wished to take this up. This has been extremely popular as it allows participants both to make better clothes for themselves and their families, and to make small amounts of money by making clothes for other community members. A sewing machine is available at the MCS office for those who wish to use it.

## Funding:

The organisation was entirely funded by voluntary donations during the period. As large a proportion of revenue as possible is sent to Uganda to support the activity in Magola.

MCS has neither paid employees nor any offices in the UK.

### **Public benefit:**

All activities of MCS are carried out in pursuance of the objects as stated above and are for the benefit of the target community.

#### **Income and expenditure:**

	£	
Cash balance 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2018	335	
Income		
Donations	1045	
Expenditure		
Programmes in Uganda	815	
Administration	140	
Fundraising costs	86	
Surplus/ - deficit	4	
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Cash balance 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2019	339	

#### Magalen Community Services Income and Expenditure April 2018 – March 2019

Approved by the MCS Board of Trustees December 2019.

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