

Empowering Vulnerable Children (EVC) Uganda
(Registered charity, number 1158189)
Financial statements
for the ending 31 December 2016

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Empowering Vulnerable Children (EVC) Uganda Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2016

The Empowering Vulnerable Children (EVC) Uganda is a registered charity governed by a Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) adopted by the trustees on 18 May 2014 and registered by the Charity Commission on 8 August 2014.

Charity Trustee	Edward Fawcett Gordon Lland Judith Fawcett Father Boniface Kaayabula Mary Frost Ramon Monserrate Robert Bbaale Rebecca Lland Nicki Howard Ramon Monserrate Simona Verdura	appointed 6 April 2016 appointed 6 April 2016 until April 2016
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Aims and objectives

The prevention or relief of poverty in Uganda by providing: grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

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Summary of the main achievements during the period

This year EVC saw significant progress in its work of sponsoring poor children in education and developing key projects.

During the year Simona Verdura left the Board and we wish her well for the future. Nicola Howard joined as Treasurer and also Rebecca Lland, who has responsibility for Media and is EVC's Child Protection Officer.

Funds raised increased substantially through church appeals, marathons, house to house collections, the EVC annual concert, Newcastle University Chaplaincy fundraising, Gift Aid, one off donations and through the website.

The Child Sponsorship Programme saw, a major increase in the numbers of very poor children able to access education, significant progress in building a girls' dormitory in one of the local schools and the provision of lights for children at home to use for study when there is no mains electricity.

Many supporters of EVC undertook successful marathons throughout the UK and Vice Chairman, Gordon Lland, completed the gruelling Prague Marathon. These, together with the church appeals programme, raised significant sums.

The second EVC Annual Concert was held again at St Joseph's Church, Bedford. Attendance was significantly increased from 2015, raised valuable funds and was a highly professional event, showcasing the work of EVC.

An EVC Networking group was formed to gain contacts in relevant organisations in order to develop partnership working to help meet the Charity's aims. We are now liaising with A4S Bedford, Riseley Men's Group and the Uganda Marathon.

Trustees again visited the work in Uganda to oversee progress on projects, meet with children, parents and teachers, ensure donors' money is spent correctly, meet with Ugandan volunteers, the Uganda Marathon organisation and promote EVC's work within the area.

New volunteers have joined the Marketing and Fundraising Committee adding valuable expertise needed for the development of the website.

People in Bedford and beyond have now heard of EVC and there are opportunities to develop the work in many areas so that more destitute children will access their human right to an education which will provide real hope for their future.

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The charity's policy on reserves

EVC needs reserves in order to properly plan for unforeseen significant financial expenditure. The annual financial planning and regular monitoring / review process enables the reserves to be maintained at the right level. The level of reserves is reviewed on an annual basis and in accordance with increases in income and expenditure. A cash flow analysis aids this process.

The Board has set up a reserves policy that requires:

- reserves be maintained at a level ensuring EVC's core activity could continue during a process of unforeseen financial difficulty.
- takes into account planned activity levels.
- EVCs commitments.

The following headings were used in the development of the policy:

- the current reserves policy statement, as above.
- risk assessment against each category of income and expenditure.
- future activity levels, likely requirements and levels.
- EVCs commitments.
- statement of the required reserves level as a result of the above.

RESULTS

The surplus for the year was £9,694 (2015: surplus £5,085) which has been transferred to general reserves.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Constitution requires the trustees to prepare accounts statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view state of affairs of the organisation and of the income and expenditure of the organisation for that year. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

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- followed applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice without any material departures;
- 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the organisation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with recommendations of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) on Accounting by Charities and with the Constitution.

RISK POLICY

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

In setting our programme each year we have regard to both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit. The trustees always ensure that the programmes we undertake are in line with our charitable objects and aims. For 2016 the Board agreed the most appropriate level should be £1,000 to cover a major emergency within the area of our work but in general we would seek to work towards having in reserve 6 months core operating costs.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:


Signed
Edward Fawcett, Trustee

Date 14th October 2017

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

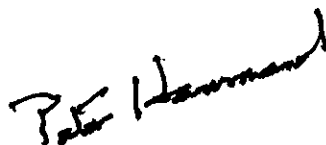
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

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14th October 2017

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Receipts & payment account
for the year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2016 £	Restricted income funds 2016 £	Total funds 2016 £	Period ended 2015 £
Receipts					
Donations		-	29,187	29,187	25,400
Fundraising		13,238	9,028	22,266	9,792
Sundry receipts		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		13,238	38,215	51,453	35,192
Payments					
Child sponsorship		-	22,141	✓22,141	19,050
Dormitory project		-	5,000	✓5,000	-
Waterhole project		-	200	✓200	-
Lighting project		-	600	✓600	-
Uganda administration and staff costs		1,564	-	✓1,564	-
Other projects		-	-	-	-
Insurance		268	-	268	324
Printing & stationary		192	-	192	617
Launch costs		-	-	-	475
Website		460	-	460	648
Governance		406	-	406	229
Legal costs		-	-	-	207
Promotional banner		-	-	-	84
Bank charges		-	75	75	75
Subscription		-	-	-	65
Postages		-	-	-	50
Computer for Ugandan charity		573	-	✓573	-
Sundry administration payments		81	-	81	108
Total payments		3,544	28,016	31,560	21,932
Net receipts/(payments)		9,694	10,199	19,893	13,260
Cash funds at the start of this period		5,085	8,175	13,260	-
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Cash funds at the end of this period		14,779	18,374	33,153	13,260

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Statement of assets and Liabilities
as at 31 December 2016

	Note	31 December 2016	31 December 2015
		£	£
Cash assets			
Bank accounts		33,153	13,260
Cash in hand		-	-
		<u>33,153</u>	<u>13,260</u>
Other monetary assets			
Debtors		-	-
Investments		-	-
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Assets retained for the charity's own use			
General equipment £188 at cost			
Trademark £170 at cost			
Liabilities			
Creditors	3	240	240
Advance receipts		-	-
Total funds		<u>240</u>	<u>240</u>

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:



Ted Fawcett
Chairman

Date 14th October 2017

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1 Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2 Funds analysis

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	(Payments) £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
Restricted funds					
Child sponsorship	6,735	26,280	(22,141)	-	10,874
Dormitory project	564	5,903	(5,000)	-	1,467
Waterhole project	25	4,290	(200)	-	4,115
Lighting project	-	600	(600)	-	-
Other projects	351	142	(75)	-	418
Admin & promotional fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Charity set-up	500	-	-	-	500
Classroom	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Pre incorporated funds	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>8,175</u>	<u>38,215</u>	<u>(28,016)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,374</u>
		1	-		
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	5,085	13,238	(3,544)	-	14,779
	<u>5,085</u>	<u>13,238</u>	<u>(3,544)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,779</u>

3 Creditors

	2016 £	2015 £
Independent examiners fee	240	240
	<u>240</u>	<u>240</u>

4 Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

5 Glossary of terms

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Restricted funds: These are funds given to the charity, subject to specific restrictions set by the donor, but still within the general objects of the charity.

Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

Debtors: These are amounts owed to the charity, but not received in the accounting period.