The Vinjeru School Trust - Charity No: 1135234

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the period ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present their annual report and the independently examined accounts for the twelve months ending 31 December 2025.

Name and principal address
The name of the charity is The Vinjeru School Trust and the principal address is 98 The Causeway, Maldon CM9 4LL.

Trustees
The trustees who served during the period were:
Ross Power – Chairman
Roberta Power – Secretary
Martin Hodder
Gillian Hodder
Joel Haris – Treasurer
Hannah Haris
Matthew Bone

Objectives
The objectives of the Trust are:

- To raise funds for the extension of a school based on Christian principles in the town of Kapiri Mposhi, Zambia.
- To provide education and bring hope to the underprivileged children in Kapiri Mposhi who would otherwise not be able to afford education.
- To raise funds to operate an effective bursary scheme to enable a quarter of the students to have a reduced fee or a free place.

The School is accessible to all, regardless of race, religion or gender. The school endeavours to provide quality, holistic education which will be of benefit to the students and to the wider community in the area around Kapiri Mposhi and, since the opening of the boarding facilities, the whole of Zambia.

Review of Activities

Trustees Visit to School Site
During the year, two of the trustees had the privilege of visiting the School in Summer 2025. The trustees were able to inspect the new Primary school building, which was completed in 2025, and were impressed with the condition of the site. The buildings were in good condition and the grounds were well-cared for.

Building
The Primary Block, for which building commenced in the previous year (2024), was completed in Autumn 2025, adding nine new classrooms for the school, allowing significant expansion of the Primary offering. This building under construction was inspected by the trustees as part of their visit.

Work also commenced during the year on a new Library for the Secondary School. Fundraising took place during the year, raising the funds to start the building project. This is anticipated for completion in Summer 2026.

School Life and Examinations
The trustees' visit in Summer 2025 offered the opportunity to see the school in operation. The trustees were encouraged to observe the good interaction between staff and pupils, as well as the good attitude and respect shown to each other.

The results from the senior school students were once again strong, with another 100% pass rate achieved in 2025. The school aims to continue achieving strong pass rates in 2026.

Funding
The Trust has continued to support the school with some operational costs due to the growth phase of the school. Financial processes and recent results indicate the school will be self-sufficient in terms of operation in the near future.

The Trust has held fundraising events, which included a tea and cake afternoon and a quiz to engage supporters in 2025. The Trust has continued to receive large and small donations which has enabled the school to continue operating and has added funds for building projects. The main projects for which fundraising took place during the year were the building of the new Primary School Block and a new Secondary Library.

Many sponsors have continued to support students at the school through the Vinjeru School Trust Bursary Scheme. The scheme currently supports students who would otherwise not be able to attend secondary education.

Governance
The Trustees have continued to work with individuals in Zambia to establish a Zambian trust to oversee the operational governance of the school. The intention is that the UK trust will be solely responsible for raising money and providing grants for the building work of the school in Zambia and for the running of the bursary scheme.

During the year, in August 2025, Matthew Bone was appointed as a Trustee.

Future Work
The Trust is in the process of supporting the Secondary Library Project, which is scheduled for completion in Summer 2026.

Signed on behalf of the trustees on 22/09/2026

Ross Power
Chairman, The Vinjeru School Trust – Charity No: 1135234

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE VINJERU SCHOOL TRUST
Charity number 1135234

I report on the accounts of the charity trustees for the year ended 31st December 2025, which are set out on the attached accounts.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that an independent examination is required. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act, to follow the procedures specified in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiners' statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 examiners' statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and

b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 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.

Ms M C Richardson FCCA

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22nd September 2026

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Receipts and Payment Account for the 12 months ended 31 December 2025

As at 31/12/2025	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds £	Year to: 31/12/2024 £
Receipts				
General fund donations	21,573		21,573	21,594
Building fund donations		61,107	61,107	59,822
Simbeye fund donations		23,454	23,454	14,522
Bursaries fund donations		24,103	24,103	14,810
Wedge Education Grant		0	0	8,000
Interest income	152		152	323
	21,725	108,664	130,389	119,071
Payments				
Grants paid - School operations	0	1,025	1,025	912
Grants paid - Bursary		23,048	23,048	15,354
Grants paid - Building works		83,663	83,663	63,600
Uniforms		0	0	4,500
Simbeye support		19,040	19,040	22,370
Wedge Education Grant		4,000	4,000	4,000
Teaching Fund Grants paid		0	0	5,000
Bank and finance charges	306		306	351
Professional fees	0		0	360
Fund-raising Costs	4		4	2,457
	310	130,776	131,086	118,904
Net receipts / (payments)	21,415	-22,112	-697	167
Transfers between funds	-23,319	23,319	0	0
Total funds brought forward	16,900	4,262	21,162	20,995
Total funds carried forward	14,996	5,469	20,465	21,162

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31/12/2025

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Funds	Total funds
Cash funds	0	0	0
HSBC	14,996	5,469	20,465
	14,996	5,469	20,465

Joel Haris
Trustee/Treasurer