Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	1	Jan	2025	**To**	31	Dec	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Serve Africa
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1150759
Charity's principal address	The Dormy House
	Combe Hay
	Bath
	Postcode BA2 7EG

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	Peter Scott	Chair		
2	John Miller			
3	Colin Sidery.			
4	Denise Wells			
5	David Woodridge			
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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

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted	Trust
Trustee selection methods	By agreement of existing trustees

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.

Within the UK fund raising, management and administration are undertaken entirely by volunteers.

In Uganda a local pastor and his wife oversee the different activities on a day to day basis. The Chair aims to visit Uganda at least once each year in order to review progress and to consider future developments. He works with the other trustees and the Uganda pastor to agree the main activities that support the refugees.

Serve Africa has established Victorious Life College which trains young adults in IT, tailoring and catering.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

To relieve those in conditions of need, hardship or distress

To provide education and training

Enable people to obtain gainful employment

Counsel and otherwise support traumatised and displaced people

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 main activities are:

- Undertake and support activities aimed at relieving the hardship and distress of the poor and vulnerable
- Undertake fundraising and provide finance to help the poor and vulnerable
- Help displaced people to be integrated into local communities
- Provide advice to optimise the impact of funding
- Continually assess the benefits of the support and relief activities, setting and adjusting priorities.

The public benefit is that the charity

- Improves the life opportunities of poor children by supporting them to attend school
- Enables adults to receive training and higher education, improving their employment options and earning potential
- Provides education in health, safety and hygiene
- Provides help and support to establish stable family settings
- Provides counselling to enable traumatised people to be freed from past emotional hurts
- Provides food aid
- Enhances the living conditions of the poor, including improved housing, improved food and water supplies, and better facilities
- Provides medical advice, treatment, supplies and facilities
- May provide loans or gifts to set up small businesses

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Currently Serve Africa supports internally displaced people. The original refugees fled the civil war in the north of the country. The focus of our work is two large villages near to the community at Mbalala, which is about 35 km south west of the capital, Kampala. These villages are known as the Kivuuvu and Bukunya camps. Altogether they house around 400 adults and 600 children.

The charity has seen people gradually develop aspirations for their own future. Education and training programmes give individuals the skills and knowledge to obtain gainful employment, thereby allowing them to gain a reasonable standard of living. Clean water and latrines, medical care and counselling have also been provided.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

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Serve Africa has continued to work with internally displaced people in Uganda. Serve Africa operates through local staff. The charity provides clean water and latrines, medical care, counselling, education and tertiary training.

Serve Africa employs the following:

- A nurse visits the camps and primary school each week to check for malnutrition and illness. He also undertakes training in good health and hygiene to try and ensure disease prevention in the communities. We have implemented an inoculation programme for expectant mums, babies and children. In the last four years, there have been no infant mortalities although one mother died in child birth. There is ongoing treatment of 78 HIV positive camp residents.
- A counsellor supporting members of the camps to work through the traumas of their past experiences, as a result of atrocities by the Lord's Resistance Army when they were in northern Uganda.
- A borehole keeper who maintains two boreholes (arranged by Serve Africa) and ensures that they are not misused, so they will provide clean, uncontaminated water for a long time. The keeper also oversees the maintenance of latrines and rainwater capture facilities.
- An experienced builder runs regular courses, of around 15 months duration, in basic construction for groups of young men.
- Trainers for catering, tailoring and IT skills at the College.
- A watchman to look after the college buildings
- An administrator to support Pastor Ludovick, his wife and the wider team, as well as liaise with the UK chair.

Serve Africa continues to support education and skills training. In 2025 an increasing number of supporters have sponsored students at secondary school and in various forms of training.

- We continued to provide materials and welfare for pupils at the state primary school on the Kivuuvu camp.
- 42 pupils attended Mbalala Secondary School, with fees, board and lodging paid..
- 34 students learned IT, tailoring or catering skills at the College. 6 of these were fee paying students from outside the camp. 7 students also completed a course in construction.
- Two students were funded on a more advanced construction course.
- Local businesses trained two students in car mechanics, two in computer repairs and two in metal fabrication
- Two students were sponsored to continue their degrees in medicine and education. Two others continued courses in nursing and hotel management.

At the end of 2024, the previous borehole dried up. We arranged for two new water holes, one for each camp.

In April the nurse reported that the US Government had ended funding of drugs for those infected with HIV/Aids, and that the health of those affected was declining. We were given funds for a year's supply of drugs, and in a short time those with HIV/Aids had recovered their health. We have now received new funding for 2026.

Our chair visited the camps in March and November, when he met staff, students and education providers. Particular attention was focussed on students who wanted to go on to Diploma and degree courses next year. Time was also spent in November discussing plans with our co-ordinators, Ludovick and Lydia, for the charity in Uganda in 2026. Finally the Christmas appeal for children's clothes and shoes raised over £2,000

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The trustees hold reserves to cover a temporary shortfall in UK income or to fund unexpected costs in Africa, for example, vehicle repairs or emergency medical care. The levels of undesignated reserves are reviewed annually, checking the figures after each payment to Uganda. We aim to hold of reserves of around 10% of the expected annual payments that are not covered by restricted funds.
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.

Almost 85% of the income came from donations and associated gift aid, including funds from sponsors of students at university and secondary school. About 12% of income came from sales of plants and home-made cards. The small remainder represents fees paid by college students from outside the camps.

Regular spending included £39,000 for skills training and education, and about £7,300 on health, welfare and camp facilities. Almost £2,000 was spent on college equipment. Finally, a further £3,500 covered local transport and various admin costs.

SA also provided £3,200 to cover travel, accommodation and small gifts during the chair's visits.

Section F Other optional information

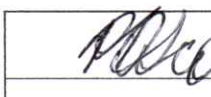
The trustees are grateful for the hard work of Pastor Ludovick who co-ordinates the activities in Uganda on a day by day basis, and of all those whose work supports the residents of the camps. We also acknowledge the generosity of individual supporters, especially those who have agreed to sponsor students at university, college and secondary school.

Further information and photographs are available at Serve Africa.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PETER DENNIS SCOTT	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	28 April 2026	

Serve Africa	1150759	CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	1-Jan-25	To	31-Dec-25

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	2024 to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Individual giving	20,897	21,226	-	42,123	41,653
Gift Aid	10,539		-	10,539	1,975
On-line donations inc gift aid	2,606	2,340	-	4,946	2,923
Fundraising	4,103	3,895	-	7,998	7,168
Bath Christian Trust	440	600	-	1,040	-
Uganda student fees	2,113		-	2,113	1,349
	-	-	-	-	-
	-		-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	40,698	28,061	-	68,759	55,068
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Use of Uganda balances	1,745	-	-	1,745	-
	-		-	-	-
Sub total	1,745	-	-	1,745	-
Total receipts	42,443	28,061	-	70,504	55,068
A3 Payments					
Education and Skills	18,329	20,225	-	38,554	40,188
Health, Facilities and Welfare	5,798	1,464	-	7,262	7,848
Transport and Admin	3,537		-	3,537	4,240
Chair's Travel and UK Admin	1,978	1,250	-	3,228	3,528
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
Sub total	29,642	22,939	-	52,581	55,804
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Skills Training	1,895		-	1,895	2,475
Office			-	-	
New Uganda funds	1,320			1,320	739
Sub total	3,215	-	-	3,215	3,214
Total payments	32,857	22,939	-	55,796	59,018
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,586	5,122	-	14,708	- 3,950
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-	-
A6 UK Cash funds last year end	22,066	6,421	-	28,487	32,437
UK Cash funds this year end	31,652	11,543	-	43,195	28,487

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Bank account	31,652	11,543	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	31,652	11,543	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Advances to Uganda Team	1,487		-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
College Centre including assets for Catering, IT and Tailoring Training	General		
Vehicle	General	-	-
Laptop and printer (Uganda office)	General	-	-
Computer repair tools	General	-	-
Construction students kit	General	-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	PETER SCOTT	25/7/26

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
SERVE AFRICA

On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	**1150759**

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* *Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed	Colin M Goater	**Date:**	**11th June 2026**

Name: **Colin Michael Goater**

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:

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Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	