Women's Education Partnership

Annual Report & Accounts 2025

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Trustees' Annual Report 2025

The Trustees of Women's Education Partnership have approved this report of the charity's activities in 2025. WEP provides education for girls and women in Sudan and South Sudan - from elementary schools and adult literacy to university scholarships. The Trustees have complied with the duty in the Charity Act to have proper regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

Chair's Report

Introduction

Women's Education Partnership provides education and support for displaced and disadvantaged women and girls in Sudan and South Sudan.

2025 was a year of revival and renewed commitment. Following a period of disruption, we made progress reconnecting with our scholars and strengthening how we monitor their academic progress, wellbeing and personal development. The continuing war in Sudan—particularly affecting Darfur, where many of our scholars originate—has severely disrupted higher education. Our programme now supports students in Sudan, South Sudan and Sudanese refugees in Egypt, although limited funds constrain the assistance we can provide.

Programme Highlights

South Sudan

We continued our scholarship support programme in Juba, where 52 scholars are studying subjects including medicine, midwifery, economics and management. Roots for Development colleagues Gale Emmanuel and Chriss Alokore have helped maintain contact with students and monitor their progress and needs. We gratefully acknowledge one large donation of £31,037 towards higher education in South Sudan. We have depended on a large donation each year to support the work in South Sudan but must understand we cannot depend on one-off donations. We have also continued to support KIMU in providing adult education programmes and women's literacy.

Sudan

Our Sudanese scholars are still displaced by the continuing war. Most are within Sudan but far from the capital; others had fled to Egypt, Chad, Libya, Uganda or South Sudan. We maintain contact with about 100 scholars via WhatsApp. Through their wartime outpost in Cairo, we are in touch with Ahfad University for Women, which launched online tuition for their displaced students. Some are too traumatised to study, or cannot access the internet, and chose to "freeze" their studies for a year. However, the majority have persevered, often under deeply stressful circumstances. Fifty scholars additionally took up the opportunity to follow the 12-month online Self-Study English language course we had commissioned from the British Council, although not all succeeded in completing the course.

Egypt

Through an arrangement between the President of Ahfad University for Women (Professor Gasim Badri) and the Arab Academy for Science, Technology & Maritime Transport, some of our Sudanese scholars who had reached Cairo were able to continue their studies in Egyptian institutions. Overall, of our Sudanese

scholars, seven managed to graduate in 2025 - three in Health Sciences, two in Psychology & Preschool Education, one in Management, and one in REED (Rural Extension, Education & Development). Those in Sudan were unable to attend the Cairo graduation ceremony, but our WEP Chairman was able to do so. Through his contacts, in 2025 we took on a new project in Cairo, supporting a school for Sudanese refugee children who could not get into Egyptian schools, and this is ongoing.

Additional Staff Support

We provided £4,500 in retention support for two former members of our literacy programme staff, with the hope that they can resume work in Khartoum when security improves. This was made possible by a generous personal donation.

Financial Overview

The principal figures available for 2025 are:

South Sudan programme expenditure: £72,787

Al-Ahfad University and related activities in Egypt: £41,032

Receipts and payments:

Receipts in grants and donations totalled: £70,410

Payments totalled: £114,057

Giving a deficit for the year of: £43,647.

This was financed from our reserves which have accordingly dropped to £166,675 (from £210,322 in 2024).

We are grateful to our donors, particularly for the personal donations of £31,037 for South Sudan higher-education and of £4,500 funding for staff retention support. Demand remains high, so we must allocate our limited resources carefully and responsibly.

Governance and Acknowledgements

Our work depends on the commitment of trustees, volunteers and advisers. Trustees are: Islam Ali leads staff recruitment and induction; Simon Boyd oversees fundraising and financial reporting; Sue Claydon oversees WEP activities in South Sudan; and Dr Anna Snowdon manages scholarships and safeguarding. Chairman Dr Abdalaziz Suliman provides overall leadership. Former trustees Bryony Pike and Kate Smith contribute technical website support, newsletter editing and assistance with the 2025 Big Give campaign. James Oram supports financial governance and prepares accounts for external scrutiny as treasurer. None of the above receive remuneration for their roles. I thank all donors, grant-makers, volunteers, colleagues and partners, including Roots for Development and Al-Ahfad University, for sustaining our work. Above all, I recognise our scholars, whose determination to continue learning despite conflict, displacement and hardship reminds us why this work matters.

Looking Ahead

During 2025, we restored important connections with scholars, improved monitoring and continued educational support across South Sudan, Sudan and Egypt. Serious challenges remain, including ongoing conflict, uncertainty over university accreditation and financial pressure on refugee students. Nevertheless, the progress made gives us reasons for cautious optimism.

Our priorities for the coming year are to consolidate this progress, strengthen relationships with scholars and partner organisations, and secure the resources needed to sustain support. On behalf of the trustees, thank you for your generosity, commitment and confidence in our work.

Dr Abdalaziz Suliman



Chairman of Trustees, Women's Education Partnership
21st October 2026

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds General	Unrestricted Funds Designated	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
Receipts		£	£	£	£	£
Voluntary receipts		47,929	150	6,000	**54,079**	54,433
Grants		-	-	15,339	**15,339**	6,000
Investment dividends/interest		-	-	-	**-**	-
Other income	8	1,746	-	-	**1,746**	840
Currency exchange gains		13			**13**	-
		49,688	150	21,339	**71,177**	61,273
Asset & investment sales		-	-	-		-
Total Receipts	2	49,688	150	21,339	**71,177**	61,273
Payments						
Charitable Activities		-	-	113,819	**113,819**	113,775
Fund raising & publicity		-	-	-	**-**	-
Governance, assurance, UK costs		238	-	-	**238**	209
Other costs		-	-	-	**-**	-
Currency exchange losses			-	-	**-**	312
		238	-	113,819	**114,057**	114,296
Asset & investment purchases		-	-	-		-
Total Payments	3	238	-	113,819	**114,057**	114,296
Excess (Deficit) of Receipts over Payments		49,450	150	(92,480)	**(42,880)**	(53,023)
Transfers between funds		(72,337)	-	72,337	**-**	-
		(22,887)	150	(20,143)	**(42,880)**	(53,023)
Bank accounts & cash at 1st January	7,8	186,412	3,000	20,143	**209,555**	262,578
Bank accounts at 31st December	7	163,525	3,150	0	**166,675**	209,555

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

Cash Funds						
Bank accounts & cash	7	163,525	3,150	0	**166,675**	209,555
Funds on deposit		-	-	-	**-**	-
		163,525	3,150	0	**166,675**	209,555

The attached **Notes** and **Independent Examiner's certificate** form part of these financial statements

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by

Abdul Suliman



Chair of Trustees
Date: 30th October 2026

James Oram



Treasurer
Date: 30th October 2026

Note 1. **Basis of preparation**.

a. **Basis of accounting.** The Accounts are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 on a Receipts & Payments basis.

b. **Funds.** Trustees are free to use unrestricted funds to further the charity's objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds, where the trustees may create a fund for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are spent as directed by the donor.

c. **Changes to previous year's accounts.** There have been no change to the previous year's accounts.

Note 2. **Receipts analysis**

	Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	2025	2024
a. Grants	£	£	£	£	£
All Saints Educational Trust - UK	-	-	-	**0**	6,000
Visual Education Ltd, Oxford					
- S. Sudan tertiary and literacy education	-	-	-	**0**	0
British & Foreign Schools Society					
- Teacher Training	-	-	-	**0**	0
British & Foreign Schools Society					
- Teacher Training REFUND	-	-	-	**0**	0
Gordon Memorial College Trust Fund					
- University Scholarships	-	-	15,339	**15,339**	0
Elementary schooling - private donor(s)	-	-	-	**0**	0
All Saints Educational Trust UK					
- University Scholarships	-	-	-	**0**	0
Women's literacy - I.T. private donor(s)	-	-	6,000	**6,000**	6,500
Women's literacy - I.T. private donor(s) REFUND	-	-	-	**0**	0
Eyecare, Khartoum - private donor(s)	-	-	-	**0**	0
Women's literacy -	-	-	-	**0**	0
					0
Private donors - University scholarships	-	-	-	**0**	0
Potter Foundation - University scholarships	-	-	-	**0**	0
Bryan Guinness Trust, UK	-	-	-	**0**	0
Kenana Sugar, Khartoum	-	-	-	**0**	0
Postcode Africa Trust, UK	-	-	-	**0**	0
Sarum St Michael Trust - UK	-	-	-	**0**	0
Swiss Embassy, Khartoum	-	-	-	**0**	0
Total grant receipts	**0**	**0**	**21,339**	**21,339**	6,500
b. Donations					
Gift Aided donations	17,512	150	-	**17,662**	45,367
Gift Aid rebate	23,190	-	-	23,190	-
Other donations and fundraising	7,227	-	-	**7,227**	2,566
Other income	980	-	-	**980**	-
Total donations	**48,909**	**150**	**-**	**49,059**	47,933
c. Other income: interest & currency gains (fx)	13	-	-	**13**	0
Total receipts	**48,921**	**150**	**21,339**	**70,410**	54,433
Total donations from individuals as percentage of overall income				78.2%	100.0%

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025

Note 3	Payments analysis	Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	2025	2024
	a. Charitable Activities - Education Projects	£	£	£	£	£
	University scholarships, Khartoum	-	-	-	-	0
	Teacher Training, Khartoum	-	-	-	-	0
	Elementary Education, Khartoum	-	-	-	-	0
	Women's Literacy, Khartoum	-	-	-	-	0
	British Council English course	-	-	3,015	3,015	1,809
	Cairo School	-	-	38,017	38,017	7,250
	Cairo Interns	-	-	-	-	1,303
	Eye Care outreach, Khartoum	-	-	-	-	0
	Covid-19 awareness outreach	-	-	-	-	0
	Cost of delivering education support projects	-	-	-	-	19,657
	Total education projects	**0**	**0**	**41,032**	**41,032**	**30,019**
	b. Charitable Activities - grant making					
	Salaries funded by private donor IT		-	3,026	**3,026**	0
	Higher Education univs: Wordwall grant	-	-	31,037	**31,037**	0
	Kimu Literacy School: Other grants	-	-	-	**0**	0
	South Sudan - Roots for Development	-	-	38,724	**38,724**	0
	Total grant payments - South Sudan	-	-	72,787	72,787	0
	Total payments for charitable activities	**0**	**0**	113,819	**113,819**	37,269
	c. Governance, assurance, UK costs	238	-	-	238	238
	d. Currency exchange losses (fx)	0	-	-	**0**	0
	Total payments	**238**	**0**	**113,819**	**114,057**	37,507

Note 4. **Aid work - monitoring and support overhead costs.**

Charitable Activities	Staff	Office	IT & comms	Transport costs	Total 2025	2024
a. Wages, salaries and benefits	£	£	£	£	£	£
Locally-engaged staff, Khartoum and casual staff	0	-	-	-	**0**	4,369
Freelance staff in Sudan	3,026	-	-	-	**3,026**	0
Other locations	-	-	-	-	**0**	150
Total	**3,026**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**3,026**	4,519

b. Average number of full time equivalent permanent staff in the year, excluding casual labour, is 0

There were 2 freelance/casual staff in 2025

c. The current payment is a goodwill payment for support of two former staff

d. Excludes cost of registering WEP in Sudan (Governance)

Note 5. Severance pay provision

There is no staff pension scheme but funds are set aside for severance pay awards under Chapter IX of the Sudan Labour Code 1997

	2025 Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Charitable commitments Total £	2024
Commitments outstanding at 1st January 2025	-	6,108	**6,108**	
New commitments set aside in year	-	-	**0**	
Commitments paid or cancelled during the year	-	-	**0**	
Amount of commitments as at 31st December 2025	**-**	**6,108**	**6,108**	

Staff were made redundant in June 2023 without any new salary increase in that year. The brought forward commitment was therefore agreed as the final amount due and was paid to two members of staff in October 2024 with an amount remaining to be paid for one more. This commitment should be borne in mind when reading these accounts.

Note 6. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and loans

a. Remuneration & benefits: No remuneration or other benefits are paid to trustees. (2025 - Nil).

b. Loans: No amounts are owing to or from the charity's trustees at any time. (2025 - Nil).

Note 7. Bank accounts and Cash balances

Location	2025 £	2024 £
UK	150,873	193,766
SUD	15,802	15,789
	166,675	**209,555**

Due to the war in Sudan, we have been unable to obtain updated statements for our bank accounts there. The figures included in the accounts are based on the last reported balance in April 2023 as adjusted for movements in the exchange rate.
It is likely cash held in the office has been looted.
An allowance has been made for current exchange rate changes over the year using the following official rates
The 2025 UK balance has been adjusted to include a previously dormant account - see note 8

Date	GBP USD	USD GBP	GBP EUR	EUR GBP	GBP SDG	SDG GBP
31-Dec-24	1.266200	0.789765	1.199600	0.833611	761.649500	0.001313
01-Jan-25	1.270700	0.786968	1.210600	0.826037	764.011200	0.001309
31-Dec-25	1.315600	0.760109	1.171700	0.853461	790.364000	0.001265

Note 8. Adjustment to Bank Balances

During the financial year, an omitted bank account with an opening balance of £766.33 was identified and brought onto the financial records as other income. Given the immateriality of the amount relative to total income, no prior period restatement was made, and the current balance of £274.83 is reflected in cash at bank.

Note 9. The Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012

The trustees confirm, in accordance with these regulations that, at year end, the charity did not have any outstanding guarantees to third parties nor any debts secured on its assets..

Receipts and Payments Accounting

General funds represent the funds of the charity that are not subject to any restrictions and available for the general purposes of the charity. These include funds designated for a particular purpose by the charity.

The purpose of any restricted funds is noted in the accounts.

The accounts include monetary transactions, assets and liabilities for which the charity can be held responsible.

Receipts and payments include income as received and expenditure when irrevocably paid.

Foreign currency transactions are recognised at the average monthly rate of exchange received or using the best available published data.

All exchange differences are recognised in the receipts and payments account.

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Governance costs include the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

The following assets are recognised:

- Any tangible fixed assets held by the charity.
- Fixtures, fittings and office equipment where the charity is free to dispose of such assets and where the original cost exceeded £500.
- Any amounts owing to the charity including tax rebates or insurance claims.
- Legacies where formal notification and amount has been received at 31st December.
- Any investments held beneficially by the charity.
- Closing bank balances as shown in the receipts and payment account.

The following liabilities are recognised:

- Any loans or overdrafts advanced to the charity.
- Funds set aside for severance pay liabilities.
- Creditors for goods or services where the supply has been received and invoiced by 31st December.
- Monetary assets and liabilities are translated into sterling at the exchange rate at the end of the financial year, 31 December.

Independent Examiner's report

To the Trustees of Women's Education Partnership

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 set out on the previous pages of this report

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 this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:
- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act

- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and

- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report
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 if 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 statements 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 2011 Act; and

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to 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.

Tracey Nicholls
Signed by Tracey... • Oct 30, 2026

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