Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	1	1	2024	To	31	12	2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Family of Hope
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1156732
Charity's principal address	1, The Maltings
	West Ilsley
Postcode	**RG20 7AX**

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	Amanda Slater			
2	Kerry Mcleish			
3	Alex Horlock			
4	Jennie Slatter			
5	Briony Slater			
6	David Fawcitt			
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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 (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by 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.

We have a team of 5 Directors in Uganda and have been registered in Uganda as a Community Based Organisation.

All our trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefit.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

To act as a resource for young people living in Jinja District by helping young people develop their skills and capabilities to participate in society, by advancing education.

To promote social inclusion

To advance the education of the pupils at The Family of Hope Education Centre.

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 children in our school have been unable to attend school elsewhere due to extreme poverty or their individual complex learning needs. The children are thriving and benefitting from the school, socially and educationally. It is clear from our visits that the children are happy, thriving and enjoying the range of activities we can offer through the small classes. They are benefitting from hands on learning, extra teacher time and learning through play and activities alongside the more traditional Ugandan 'Chalk and Talk' education.
The school in Uganda is a registered community based organisation and day to day running and decision making is by our Ugandan trustee and staff team in collaboration with the UK trustees.
The families and parents are delighted and grateful that their children can go to school. A benefit we had not considered initially is the respite time this gives the children's carers, whether a single Mum with a severely autistic child or a poverty stricken Grandma caring for her orphaned grandchildren whom she cannot afford to send to school.
The community is benefitting by us providing work, schooling, buying local food and resources. The community are enjoying using the football pitch and playground. The community is also seeing clearly how we value each and every one of our children and consider them worth spending time, money and energy on improving their quality of life. These SEN children are often left alone and not considered worth educating.
The trustees are not benefitting from the charity. We declare that the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity Commission on public benefit.

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.

We are very grateful to all our volunteers who support us in so many ways giving their time, skills and energy to the project both here and in Uganda.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year





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2025 at Family of Hope

Thank you for supporting us in 2025. Here is a snapshot to let you know about our amazing year.

We still have our five teachers, two amazing matrons, our night watchman and our farmer. They all worked incredibly hard to look after our 100 fabulous children. We now have 5 Ugandan trustees who meet regularly and do a fabulous job running our school and community.



The school has had another excellent year under the fabulous guidance of Robert Kirimwita. Robert is a very successful headteacher and respected community leader who runs Family of Hope as a trustee and therefore a volunteer. We are hugely grateful for his commitment and sent huge congratulations to him in April 2025, when he wed the lovely Alice.

Our children and young people are enjoying their time at the school and are developing their social skills, life skills and communication skills every day as they spend time with our staff and their peers. Our teaching staff work hard to make their sessions fun and hands on whilst still teaching to the Ugandan curriculum.





The children are fed well at school thanks to our amazing cook, Samali. She works incredibly hard to provide the children with meals three times a day. The children help her with meal prep as part of their life skills education as well as collecting firewood, water and washing up.





The children and young people all love music. They like to sing, dance and play the percussion instruments. Learning songs, action rhymes and dances is part of their daily routine. The children love to perform to visitors and parents, and this obviously provides much joy.









The children have been making bracelets with beads. This is excellent fine motor control practise for many of our children and the concentration to thread the tiny beads is immense. Well done everyone.





We continue to grow maize, bananas and a variety of fruits and vegetables on our two farm plots. They help provide lots of food for the children. The more we grow the less we need to buy. Here is a picture of this year's maize beginning to grow after planting with Henry our fabulous farmer and Nuulu enjoying some Jack Fruit. We still have cows and chickens too.





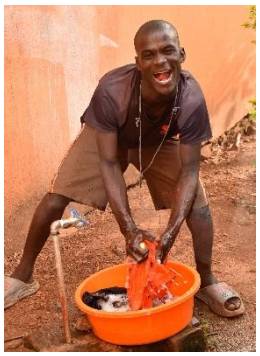


There's nothing quite like afternoon lessons under the mango tree learning how to make traditional palm leaf mats and decorations. We can buy the dyed leaves cheaply from the market. Palm mats are made by making many long strips of woven palm and then sewing together.





As well as learning in the classrooms the children are learning life skills with their matrons. They help with chores, learn how to look after themselves and wash their clothes. They also learn how to keep the compound clean and healthy including washing and cleaning the latrines. Everyone is still smiling!









We have 26 children in extreme poverty attending local primary schools with their sponsor's support. They are still making great progress at seven different schools. Three of our deaf children have moved to a specialist deaf school with additional support from The Jill Knight Scholarship Fund. The school is in Mbale where they are progressing really well. We are incredibly grateful for all their sponsors who enable the education of these children to continue.





Section D Achievements and performance

While the UK trustees were in Uganda in 2025 we spent some time in the classrooms and enjoyed doing some teaching. We enjoyed lots of activities based around the stories about Handa and great fun was had by all.





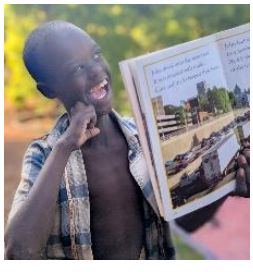


The children thoroughly enjoy your donated toys and clothes. Thank you so much for thinking of us when you pass on your old toys, games and clothes. This year we would particularly like to mention WH Smiths, Brightwalton and The Ilsleys Primary Schools for their art and craft materials, books and clothes. There are too many of you out there to name individually for all the Lego, Duplo, play food, books, craft materials, toy cars, musical instruments and suitcases plus so much more. Thank you so much every single one of you.









Our football pitch is still used every day by our own children, other local schools, the community youth football and netball teams and for community meetings. Our children use it for ball games, running and athletics as well as supporting any community matches. The Family of Hope Community Christmas Football Cup grows bigger every year and the ladies' netball teams are part of the competition too. It is great fun for everyone and the community come along in their hundreds to support.







We are still raising funds for our new vocational centre. We are delighted to report that the first building is underway, partly due to an incredibly generous £20,000 donation this year. A block of workshops/classrooms is rising from the ground. In the meantime, it is wonderful that we have a temporary carpentry workshop and hair salon at the school while the new site is being developed. It will be wonderful to be able to complete some of our young people's education by giving them a trade to take forward in life.





If you know of anyone who would like to help us build our new centre or companies etc who may like to sponsor a UK registered charity for a year, please do get in touch. Here is a GoFundMe link for anyone interested.

We would like to thank everyone who sponsors children with us. The children love receiving your photographs, letters and gifts and for a few people they sometimes get to meet their sponsor child when visiting the school. What a special experience for everyone involved. We hope you love seeing their photos as much as they enjoy seeing yours.





We have had some wonderful supporters helping us out with fundraising this year. The start of the year saw a ceilidh and a wonderful dinner which raised us £1000, with grateful thanks to Susan. The Autumn brought a fabulous Oxford Gospel Choir concert that raised £1,500, with grateful thanks to Sarah. A talk and quiz raised £300, with grateful thanks to Judy and there were more talks throughout the year which helped us raise more cash to support the school and vocational centre.





Thank you to everyone who helped with any of the above. These make a huge difference to us. We are always willing to come and talk to groups, churches and schools so do get in touch if you would like to hear more about us. If anyone would like to hold a fundraiser for us this year, we would love to hear from you!

Behind the scenes supporters
Thank you to Andrew at Mint who looks after our website free of charge.
Thank you to Mel who externally examines our accounts every year free of charge
Thank you to Brian who looks after the day-to-day accounting for us free of charge

We have a you tube channel where we upload little videos. Do check it out for some action! https://www.youtube.com/@familyofhopeuganda

Thank you to everyone for a fabulous 2025 and for all your donations of money, items and time.

Please keep up to date by checking out the website www.familyofhope.co.uk , liking our page on Facebook www.facebook.com/familyofhope.co.uk or following us on Instagram @familyofhopeug.

Email us at: info@familyofhope.co.uk



Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	At present the charity keeps a reserve of up to £40,000, a year's running costs. We are beginning to fundraise for the Vocational Centre so our reserve will go up as we save for this.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	Not applicable

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.

All our funding this year has come from individual donors.

We run a programme of 'Child Sponsorship' and have 40 children sponsored.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	A Horlock	
Full name(s)	ALEXANDRA HORLOCK	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	

Date 03/09/26

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Family of Hope	1156732

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2025	To	31/12/2025

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 £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	47,888	-	-	47,888	49,830
Donations for travel	-	-	-	-	3,000
Donations for school	-	30,015	-	30,015	9,443
Donations for guest house	-	1,010	-	1,010	8,400
Donations for grant finder	-	1,750	-	1,750	-
Fraudulent transactions (refund)	-	-	-	-	3,045
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	47,888	32,775	-	80,663	73,718
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	47,888	32,775	-	80,663	73,718
A3 Payments					
General - spend in Uganda	2,517	-	-	2,517	790
General - spend in UK	1,240	-	-	1,240	496
School - spend in Uganda	-	70,950	-	70,950	52,823
School - spend in UK	-	-	-	-	467
Guest House - spend in Uganda	-	2,310	-	2,310	7,100
Travel - spend in UK	-	-	-	-	2,188
Grant finder - spend in UK	-	1,750	-	1,750	-
Fraudulent transactions (refunded)	-	-	-	-	3,045
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,757	75,010	-	78,767	66,909
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,757	75,010	-	78,767	66,909
Net of receipts/(payments)	44,131	- 42,235	-	1,896	6,809
A5 Transfers between funds	- 40,935	40,935	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	42,908	6,219	-	49,127	42,318
Cash funds this year end	46,104	4,919	-	51,023	49,127

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 £
		46,104	4,919	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	46,104	4,919	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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
A. Horlock	A. HORLOCK	03/09/26
AJSlater	A SLATER	03/9/26

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	Family of Hope		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1156732
Set out on pages	1 and 2 of this document		

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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

I 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.

Signed:	Melvyn Cook	**Date:**	22 April 2026
Name:	Melvyn Cook		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	FRSC, FRSB		
Address:	Clock Cottage, West Ilsley, Newbury, Berkshire RG20 7AW.		

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.

None.