

***WILMSLOW
WELLS
FOR AFRICA***



TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

REGISTERED CHARITY No: 328330



This report follows the guidelines laid down by the Charity Commissioners in their publication 'Accounting for the Smaller Charity'.

Details of charity:

The name of the charity is 'Wilmslow Wells for Africa' and the registered number is 328330. The principal address is The Spinney, 35A Bollin Hill, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 4AN. The governing document is the Charitable Declaration of Trust dated 25 October 1989.

The Trustees at 31 July 2020 were:

Jenny Gibbs (Chair)
Helen Battilana
Roger D Goddard (Treasurer)
David M Tonks

The Secretary of the Charity is Anne Elphick.

Bankers: National Westminster Bank plc, Grove Street, Wilmslow, Cheshire

Independent Examiner: M N G Evans FCA, 144 Grove Lane, Cheadle Hulme, Cheshire, SK8 7NH

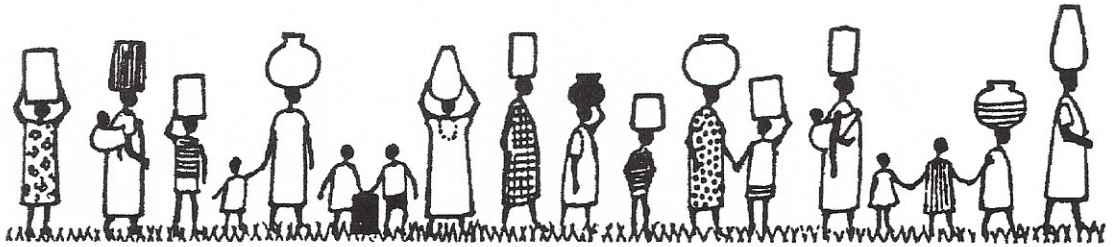
Objects:

The object of Wilmslow Wells for Africa is the relief of poverty in the continent of Africa by the provision of water for human consumption and irrigation. This may be achieved by the drilling of wells, the building of dams, the provision of storage tanks or any other means. Wilmslow Wells for Africa raises funds through donations and the efforts of a working committee. The provision of clean drinking water promotes public health benefits and supports sustainable communities in some of the poorest areas of the world.

Operation of the charity

Projects are undertaken either directly with communities in Africa, often through local churches, or through other aid organisations who have identified a water-related need. Money is only committed to projects by the Trustees when funds have been raised. Normally the running costs associated with wells, including maintenance, are the responsibility of the local community. Funds are raised by a committee which plans a programme of events throughout the year. Monies are held mainly in an interest-bearing account pending projects being approved by the Trustees.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's objectives and in approving projects for support.



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Summary of Wilmslow Wells activities

Since its formation in the mid-1980's, the charity has raised £1,409,977. Its running costs have utilised £9,936 of this. This has left £1,400,041 (99.3% of funds raised) available for its charitable objectives. Of this £1,386,267 (99.0%) has been spent on over 250 projects, helping provide clean water to local communities. The provision of readily accessible clean water helps reduce disease and eliminates the need to spend hours each day collecting water, often from unsafe sources.

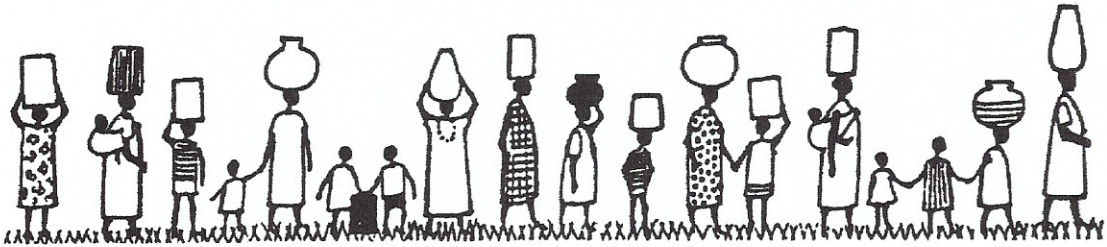
The funds we have not yet spent reflect the time it takes to identify and evaluate projects. We have to obtain information on projects, ensure they appear to be properly researched as to cost and feasibility and have appropriate ongoing maintenance arrangements in place and satisfy ourselves they represent reasonable value in terms of the number of people helped.

We request reports on the progress and completion of projects, to provide evidence that the funds were used appropriately and to enable us to monitor the project against the proposal.

Activities during the year:

During the current year the total income amounted to £59,934, details of which are set out in the attached accounts. We are very grateful for the support we receive for our work. In recent years we benefitted from two extremely generous legacies from long standing supporters. These legacies significantly increased our reserves. The Trustees are mindful of the need to utilise these funds for our charitable objectives and seek out appropriate opportunities whilst bearing in mind our grant criteria which include value for money and the ability to assess the viability of the project. Our policy is to endeavour to manage our spending over a period of up to three years where such one-off donations occur. As we have tried to focus on smaller projects where major charities may not take an interest it can take a year or two to return back to our normal reserve levels. This has been achieved by the year end.

Our fund-raising events continue to raise significant amounts despite the impact of Covid restrictions. We held our Garden daythrough YouTube videos and asked for donations through the Charities Aid Foundation donation button on our website. The remarkable result was that, enhanced through Gift Aid, we raised a record amount in excess of £20,000, part of which was received after the year end. We also held two Souperdays, and a Bridge Drive and a Folk Night. In addition to the ongoing generous financial support of many who have worked with us over a number of years, supporters baked cakes and gave talks to schools and other groups – our thanks go to all involved in this work. Gift cards are available for those who want to make a donation as a present for friends or family and have proved popular. Christmas cards, tea towels and other textile goods are also available for sale. We have an increasing number of supporters who have entered into regular monthly donations by standing order, often supported by Gift Aid. Details of this scheme and of Gift Aid donations can be obtained from the Treasurer.



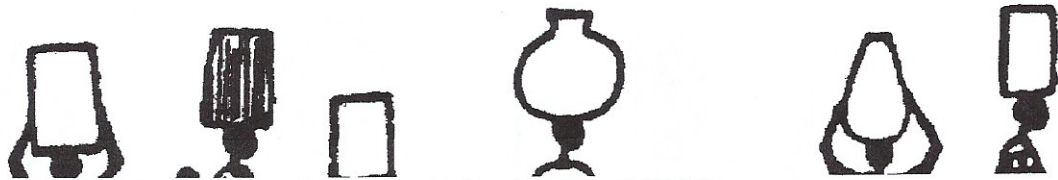
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Payments during the period amounted to £74,647 which included £73,388 on 20 projects in 7 countries. Our decisions to support projects are based on cost, numbers of people helped, the severity of the need and the viability of the project. Detailed reports on the projects are included in our regular newsletters. Subsequent to the year-end we have donated a further £7,025 towards 2 more projects and we are at the evaluation stage with a number of other proposals.

All work carried out for the charity is on a voluntary basis and there are no paid employees. Our website 'www.wilmslowwells.org' gives details of fund-raising events, projects undertaken and our history. It also provides links enabling people to make donations online. The website has generated contacts from new donors and potential projects and partners. We have received a number of donations through the internet as a result. If supporters wish to use the facility they can donate via our website if they have a Charities Aid Foundation account or by debit or credit card. We are registered with HMRC as well in the event of anyone being lucky enough to be due a tax refund and wishing to donate it via their tax return.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R D Goddard'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

R D Goddard
Treasurer



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Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis and comply with section 42(3) of the Charities Act 1993.

Reserves policy

The charity only holds funds until suitable projects have been evaluated and approved by the Trustees or to fund existing future commitments to approved projects which have not yet been drawn down by the project partner. Where significant one-off donations are received the Trustees may choose to spend these over a period of up to 3 years in order to manage the workload associated with projects.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Assets


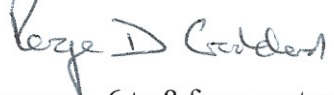
	31 July 2020	31 July 2019
	£	£
Stocks of goods for resale	147	55
Cash at CafCash Gold	-	3,288
Cash at National Westminster Bank	13,628	25,145
	<u>13,775</u>	<u>28,488</u>

In addition to the cash balances noted above there was an amount due from the Inland Revenue of £2,214, relating to a tax refund. This income arose from Gift Aid donations and will be recorded in next year's receipts and payments account.

Liabilities

There are no outstanding liabilities at this date.

The accounts on pages 4 to 8 were approved by the trustees on 2 November 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

 (Chairman)
 (Treasurer)

The notes on pages 6 to 8 form part of these financial statements.



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Receipts and payments account – year ended 31 July 2020

Receipts

	Note	2019/20 £	2018/19 £
Donations	1	34,530	32,238
Fund raising event income	2	23,847	25,356
Income Tax refunds		1,553	1,657
Bank & Building Society interest		4	33
		59,934	59,284

Payments

Direct Charitable expenditure	3	73,388	108,538
Other expenditure			
Fundraising costs	2	118	223
Public liability insurance and other administrative costs		1,141	468
		74,647	109,229

Net receipts/(payments)		(14,713)	(49,945)
Balance from prior year		28,488	78,433
Balance at 31 July 2020		13,775	28,488

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Notes to Receipts and Payments Account

1 Donations

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Legacies and gifts in memory	9,191	13,331
Celebration gifts	695	-
Alderley Edge Methodists	-	200
Amazon	26	427
Armstrong Trust	2000	-
Barnby Choir	150	137
Bollin Valley & Alderley Edge Inner Wheel	700	-
Bolton Rotary Club	500	750
East Cheshire Ladies	-	104
Fulshaw Womens Institute	-	20
Go Local	92	78
Henbury Mothers Union	76	-
Highway One	5000	-
Keyworth Church	541	737
Lindow Discussion Club	-	100
Massada Lodge	-	300
Plumley Womens Institute	-	70
Prestbury Garden Club	-	105
Sale URC	-	148
St Johns Lindow	110	-
University of 3 rd Age	-	50
Wilmslow Methodist Church	300	360
Wilmslow Quakers	79	73
Donations of over £100 from 45 individuals (2018/19 –36)	13,334	13,301
Other donations	1,736	1,947
	34,530	32,238



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2 Fund raising events and costs

	2019/20			2018/19		
	Receipts	Payments	Net receipts	Receipts	Payments	Net receipts
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gardens day	19,160	-	19,160	18,029	138	17,891
Souperdays	2,998	-	2,998	2,773		2,773
Sponsored events	-	-		2,653		2,653
Folk night	268	75	193	-		-
Christmas and gift card and other product sales	643	43	600	870	85	785
Bridge drive	778	-	778	1,031		1,031
	<u>23,847</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>23,729</u>	<u>25,356</u>	<u>223</u>	<u>25,133</u>



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3 Direct Charitable expenditure

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Aid Africa – Malawi – <i>borehole repairs</i>		1,676
African Revival – Siamwamvwa & Lubombo, Zambia- <i>WASH facilities</i>		1,155
African Revival – Siamoono School, Zambia- <i>WASH facilities</i>		4,515
Afrinspire – Uganda- <i>20 spring protections</i>	4,440	
Afrinspire – Paaya, Uganda- <i>borehole</i>	2,144	
Afrinspire – Kamuuli, Uganda - <i>spring protections</i>	324	
Afrinspire – Uganda- <i>2 boreholes and 20 spring protections</i>		7,600
Afrinspire – Kitayundwa and Bugaya, Uganda – <i>18 water collection jars</i>		2,072
Afrinspire – Uganda - <i>Spring protection, boheholes and latrines</i>		8,515
Afrinspire – Zambia - <i>latrines</i>		1,349
Afrinspire – Uganda – <i>spring capping and school latrines</i>		803
Aid Africa – Malawi – <i>borehole repairs</i>	1,581	
Aid Africa – Malawi – <i>borehole repairs</i>	1,708	
Aid Africa – Chiringa, Malawi – <i>borehole repairs and water infrastructure</i>	5,568	
Aid Africa – Malawi – <i>borehole repairs</i>		2,317
Amigos – Te-Olam, Uganda - <i>well</i>	4,500	
Amigos – Ayira A, Uganda - <i>well</i>		4,500
Build Africa – Ole Polos Primary School, Kenya- <i>water and sanitation</i>		15,000
Build It International- Light of Hope School, Zambia- <i>latrines</i>	5,000	
Build It International- Zambia- <i>hand washing stations</i>	3,600	
Build It International- Machaya School, Zambia- <i>latrines</i>		6,000
Busoga Trust- Nasuuti, Uganda- <i>hand dug well</i>	3,500	
Busoga Trust-Iganga, Uganda- <i>2 borehole refurbishments</i>	3,500	
Busoga Trust-Iganga, Uganda- <i>2 hand dug wells and 2 borehole refurbishments</i>		7,000
Chililabongwe School, Zambia - <i>borehole</i>		3,562
Embulbul Primary School, Kenya – <i>Latrines for special needs school</i>	4,328	
Gatimu Primary School -Gatimu, Kenya– <i>latrines</i>	4,186	
Gatimu Primary School -Gatimu, Kenya– <i>water harvesting and tank</i>		1,730
Geoff & Diannah Charitable Trust – Nzoia Kenya – <i>additional costs on well redesign</i>	838	
Ghana Outlook – Akuavevbeg, Ghana – <i>borehole and pump</i>	3,690	
Kaloko Trust – Mpatisha, Zambia – <i>borehole and pump</i>		7,987
Kwanjora Special School, Kenya – <i>latrines for special needs school</i>	4,129	
Mission Direct- Rushararazi, Uganda- <i>Water harvesting</i>		5,200
Myra’s Wells- Yil-Yaale, Burkina Faso- <i>borehole</i>	5,000	
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Street Child – Democratic Republic of Congo – <i>latrines and water harvesting at 2 schools</i>	7,500	
Teso Development Trust –Soroti, Uganda - <i>3 hand dug wells and 2 spring cappings</i>	6,000	
Teso Development Trust –Soroti, Uganda - <i>6 hand dug wells</i>		9,000
Transform Burkina – Toomba, Burkina Faso - <i>borehole</i>		3,375
Village Water – Zambia – <i>well repairs and hygiene training</i>	1,852	
Village Water – Mozambique - <i>water points and hygiene training</i>		10,182
	73,388	108,538



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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Wilmslow Wells for Africa

I report on the accounts of Wilmslow Wells for Africa for the year ended 31 July 2020 which are set out on pages 4 to 8.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustee and Examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the requirements of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 ('the Act') does not apply. It is my responsibility as to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 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 I do not express an opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to doubt that in any material respects the requirements:-
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act;
 - 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, subject to the comment in the Trustees annual report.

Name:
Relevant qualification or body:
Address:
Date: 19th MAY 2021

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