

***WILMSLOW
WELLS
FOR AFRICA***



TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

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 2021 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

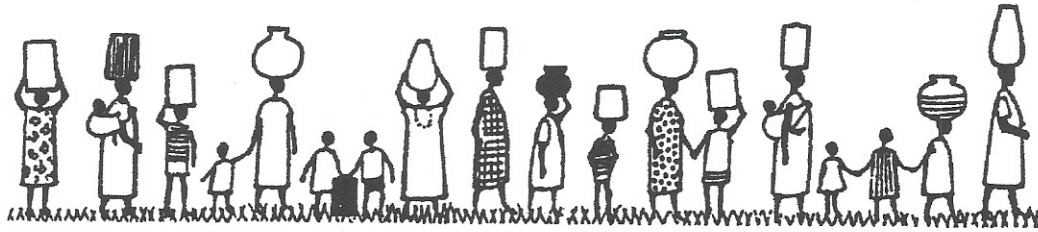
Objects:

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 £1,489,789. Its running costs have utilised £10,736 of this. This has left £1,479,053 (99.3% of funds raised) available for its charitable objectives. Of this £1,460,911 (98.8%) has been spent on over 275 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 £79,811, details of which are set out in the attached accounts. We are very grateful for the support we receive for our work

Our fund-raising events continue to raise significant amounts despite the impact of Covid restrictions. Our Garden day raised a record amount as supporters took advantage of the easing of lockdown to spend time outdoors enjoying the efforts of our gardeners. Other events had to be adapted as they could not take place due to government restrictions. Our Souperday in October 2020 was replaced with Souperweek, featuring soup recipes and a quiz to download. The March 2021 Souperday was replaced by an online talk about gardens around the world by David Cash. In addition we held an online 'Soap and water appeal' to raise funds towards hand washing stations in schools in Zambia and Dave Tonks, one of our Trustees, gave a talk on our work through the years. We sold Christmas cards direct to supporters rather than via the Wilmslow Christmas card shop which was unable to open. All these activities maintained our profile and highlighted the enormous need for water in Africa. We also maintained our presence on Facebook and created an Instagram account linked to Gardens Day. As a result of all these efforts we managed to exceed our previous year's totals both for fundraising events and for donations. 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 £75,444 which included £74,644 on 24 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 £5,181 towards one more project 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.

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 2021	31 July 2020
	£	£
Stocks of goods for resale	147	147
Cash at National Westminster Bank	17,995	13,628
	<u>18,142</u>	<u>13,775</u>

In addition to the cash balances noted above there was an amount due from the Inland Revenue of £1,180, 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 1 November 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Helen Battilana (Trustee)

Boye D. Coddard (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 2021

Receipts

	Note	2020/21 £	2019/20 £
Donations	1	47,874	34,530
Fund raising event income	2	28,808	23,847
Income Tax refunds		3,129	1,553
Bank & Building Society interest		-	4
		79,811	59,934

Payments

Direct Charitable expenditure	3	74,644	73,388
Other expenditure			
Fundraising costs	2	-	118
Public liability insurance and other administrative costs		800	1,141
		75,444	74,647
Net receipts/(payments)		4,367	(14,713)
Balance from prior year		13,775	28,488
Balance at 31 July 2021		18,142	13,775

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Notes to Receipts and Payments Account

1 Donations

	2020/21	2019/20
	£	£
Legacies and gifts in memory	1,293	9,191
Celebration gifts	-	695
Amazon	77	26
Armstrong Trust	-	2,000
Arts Society	50	-
Barnby Choir	-	150
Bollin Valley & Alderley Edge Inner Wheel	-	700
Bolton Rotary Club	500	500
Capesthorpe and Siddington Womens Institute	245	-
Henbury Mothers Union	-	76
Highway One	5,000	5,000
Keyworth Church	-	541
Mulchand Foundation	3,890	-
Rotary Club of Manchester	50	-
Simply local collection box	40	92
St Johns Lindow	-	110
St Philip and St James Alderley Edge	929	-
Triangle Community Methodist Church	100	-
Wilmslow High School	1,394	-
Wilmslow Methodist Church	-	300
Wilmslow Quakers	-	79
Donations of over £100 from 45 individuals (2019/20 –45)	29,223	13,334
Other donations	5,083	1,736
	<u>47,874</u>	<u>34,530</u>

Note: The 'Soap and water appeal' is included in 'Other donations' above and raised £2,433.



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2 Fund raising events and costs

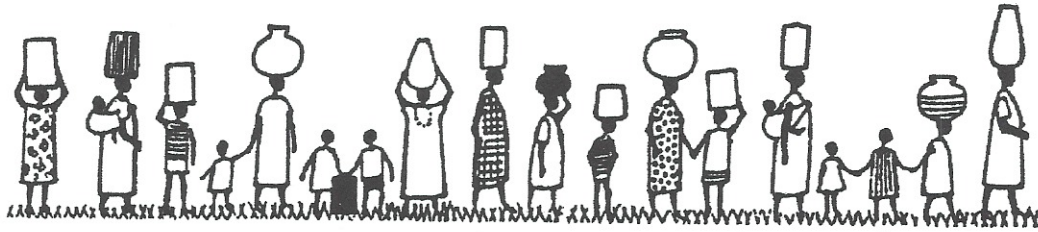
	2020/21			2019/20		
	Receipts	Payments	Net receipts	Receipts	Payments	Net receipts
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gardens day	24,690	-	24,690	19,160	-	19,160
Souperday/Souperweek	1,327	-	1,327	2,998	-	2,998
World Gardens talk	917	-	917	-	-	-
Folk night	-	-	-	268	75	193
Christmas and gift card and other product sales	1,424	-	1,424	643	43	600
Hough Garden event	450	-	450	-	-	-
Bridge drive	-	-	-	778	-	778
	<u>28,808</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,808</u>	<u>23,847</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>23,729</u>



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3 Direct Charitable expenditure

	2020/21	2019/20
	£	£
Aid Africa – Malawi – borehole repairs and latrine	1,610	
Aid Africa – Malawi – 9 borehole repairs	2,874	
African Revival – Siamoono, Zambia- rainwater harvesting tank	6,832	
Afrinspire – Uganda- 20 spring protections		4,440
Afrinspire – Paaya, Uganda- borehole		2,144
Afrinspire – Kamuuli, Uganda - spring protections		324
Afrinspire – Uganda- 10 spring protections	2,200	
Afrinspire – Aso and Katu, Uganda – shallow wells	4,158	
Afrinspire – Uganda – 10 spring protections	2,220	
Aid Africa – Malawi – borehole repairs		1,581
Aid Africa – Malawi – borehole repairs		1,708
Aid Africa – Chiringa, Malawi – borehole repairs and water infrastructure		5,568
Amigos – Te-Olam, Uganda -well		4,500
Build It International - Light of Hope School, Zambia- latrines		5,000
Build It International - Zambia- hand washing stations		3,600
Build It International - Safe Hands appeal 2 hand washing stations	3,600	
Build It International - additional hand washing station	1,800	
Busoga Trust - Nasuuti, Uganda- hand dug well		3,500
Busoga Trust - Iganga, Uganda- 2 borehole refurbishments		3,500
Busoga Trust - Uganda-3 borehole refurbishments	7,500	
Diocese of Amsasi – Rondo, Tanzania -water storage tank	2,190	
Embulbul Primary School, Kenya – Latrines for special needs school		4,328
EVC – St Matia, Mulumba, Uganda – toilet block and rainwater harvesting	10,100	
Friends of Wm Stewart Centre – Ibulumu, Malawi – borehole repair	700	
Gatimu Primary School -Gatimu, Kenya– latrines		4,186
Geoff & Diannah Charitable Trust – Nzoia Kenya – additional costs on well redesign		838
Geoff & Diannah Charitable Trust – Marakaru, Uganda – hand dug well	2,867	
Ghana Outlook – Akuavevbeg, Ghana – borehole and pump		3,690
Helping Uganda Schools – Little Shepherd School, Uganda – water tank	640	
Helping Uganda Schools – Kosovo, Uganda – water point provision in slums	3,250	
Helping Uganda Schools – St Francis de Sales School, Uganda – rainwater harvesting	5,000	
Kwanjora Special School, Kenya – latrines for special needs school		4,129
Myra’s Wells- Yil-Yaale, Burkina Faso- borehole		5,000
Myra’s Wells - Burkina Faso- borehole	5,216	
Street Child – Democratic Republic of Congo – latrines and water harvesting at 2 schools		7,500
Teso Development Trust –Soroti, Uganda -3 hand dug wells and 2 spring cappings		6,000
Teso Development Trust –Lake Kyoga, Uganda -4 hand dug wells	6,000	
Village Water – Zambia – well repairs and hygiene training		1,852
Village Water – Zambia – well repair	3,929	
Village Water – Kosolo,Zambia – repair water points	940	
Village Water – Mozambique – repair water points	1,018	
	74,644	73,388



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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 2021 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: 10th MAY 2022

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