



New Beginnings Charitable Foundation(NCBF)

(A Company limited by guarantee)

Trustees Annual Report
1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023.

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Registered Office: 6 Newcastle Street
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Trustees: Jennifer Annett
Lisa Cousins
Neil Davey (Chairperson)
Jamie Hanna
Robyn Knox

Project Manager: Roger Annett

Operations Manager: Adele Knox

Accountant: Phelan & Prescott Chartered Accountants
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Trustees Report for year ended 31st December 2023.

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2023. The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out in Page 2.

Governing Document

Rules of the charity are contained within the Memorandum and Articles of Association of New Beginnings Charitable Foundation updated 2015. Trustees are appointed to the committee of the charity according to criteria set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association. All necessary policies and procedures are in place.

Structure

The Charity is managed by a fundraising committee as detailed in the Legal & Administrative section; all are suitably qualified for their role. The committee is based in Northern Ireland and meet monthly in order to make fundraising and other decisions relevant to the charity. The Project Manager, Roger Annett, who is based in Uganda, manages staff and deals with the day to day running of the Village. The Operations Manager, Adele Knox, is based in the UK and deals with all administrative issues in the UK and some in Uganda.

Objectives and Activities

New Beginnings Charitable Foundation is established to raise funds in order that the following objectives may be met.

To establish a Children's Village in Kawondwe near Nakasongola in Uganda, to provide homes for underprivileged children in first class accommodation and to provide sufficient resources for the operation and maintenance of the Village.

To provide the children in the village with a high standard of education, medical care, counselling and professional guidance.

To maintain and run a Nursery & Primary School with a high level of teaching.

To develop a farm near the village to provide food for the children's village.

To provide a Christian environment for the children to grow and develop. Our desire is that each child would one day know Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

To promote, protect and uphold the rights of vulnerable members of society, especially children.

Achievements and Performance

The Village is now firmly established, and 258 homeless and underprivileged children are now housed in either excellent accommodation built to government standards or the Boarding Section at the Primary School. The Charity has provided resources, human and financial, for the development and maintenance of secure housing, educational and medical facilities for the children.

The children are educated in New Beginnings Nursery and Primary School opened in February 2016 and results are continually showing an improvement with the school rated as the highest in the District. At school, the food was catered within the proposed budget and all children received the required diet. All scholastic materials were bought and utilised according to their specific objectives. This enabled the school activities to run smoothly during the year. The Primary School registered 33 candidates for their Primary Leaving Examination and all of them passed well and joined High School.

Regular health checks are provided by health care professionals who are employed within the medical centre. The medical team were able to treat almost all illnesses with few cases needing to be referred for specialist treatment.

Since starting over 200 acres of land has been purchased, and a developing farm is in operation with further expansion each year. This will also provide practical education. The farm was able to harvest maize, cassava, sweet potato and many vegetables which reduced food expenses.

From a spiritual perspective the children are well taught. They receive daily spiritual Christian teaching and are encouraged to attend devotions daily and church weekly.

The Charity has put in place significant and thorough management arrangements to promote, protect, uphold, and enforce the rights of vulnerable members of society, especially children.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

Refer to the Financial Statement document for any detailing of financial review. The trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charities financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year.

In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the trustees are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act NI 2008 also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities .

The Board of Directors For New Beginnings Charitable Foundation

I, Neil Davey as a trustee, declare I have approved the above report.

Signature:  Position: Chairperson

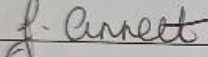
Print Name: NEIL J. DAVEY Date: 17/10/2024

I, Jamie Hanna as a trustee, declare I have approved the above report.

Signature:  Position: Vice-Chairperson

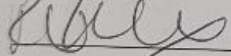
Print Name: JAMIE HANNA Date: 17/10/2024

I, Jennifer Annett as a trustee declare I have approved the above report.

Signature:  Position: Treasurer

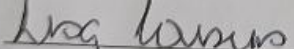
Print Name: JENNIFER ANNETT Date: 17/10/2024

I, Robyn Knox as a trustee, declare I have approved the above report.

Signature:  Position: Child Sponsorship Co-Ordinator

Print Name: ROBYN KNOX Date: 17/10/2024

I, Lisa Cousins as a trustee, declare I have approved the above report.

Signature:  Position: Fundraising

Print Name: LISA COUSINS Date: 17/10/24