

# Annual Report and Accounts For the year ended 29th February 2016



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# Trustees Report For the year ended 29th February 2016



Food Distribution following our successful Famine Appeal
Name of the Charity: Friends of Kianjai, Kenya

Registration number: 1143972

Date of Registration: 26th September 2011

Bankers: Lloyds Bank Plc

A/c number: 33171360 Sort code:30-90-49

Principal address: 31 Fore Street

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Governing Instrument: Friends of Kianjai was formed by the declaration

of a trust made on the 31st August 2011

Trustees: Caroline Newton (Chair)

Jonathan Gichaaı (Vice - Chair) Sally Livsey (Treasurer)

Elizabeth Gichaara Gladys Gesage

All above trustees held office for the whole year under review.

# Trustees Report (continued) For the year ended 29th February 2016

#### Aim and Purposes

Friends of Kianjai, Kenya (FKK) are a group of Kenyans and Europeans who formed to send resources to Kianjai in the summer of 2011 to enable locals to survive a famine due to drought.

This vibrant community of Kianjai, has leaders of integrity with vision, creativity and energy for change. Their resources are depleted but the social enterprise and dedication is inspiring.

The friendships that were forged during 2011 make us uniquely placed to continue our support.

FKK see it as our role to work with these leaders to provide the resources which will empower them to realise their vision to rebuild their community.

### **Objectives and Activities**

Currently our focus of support is divided into four areas:

- \* **Famine Relief**. The region of Tigania West remains vulnerable to severe drought and when the population is facing famine we divert money from our other projects to alleviate and support where we can.
- \* **Educational support**. We support orphans and children from humble backgrounds to remain in education either at school or in a vocational place in higher education..

  We are also resourcing these institutions and teachers so they can provide a better quality of education.
- \* Special needs educational support. We resource feeding programs at our special units to minimise malnutrition amongst disabled children in the community. We aim to provide teachers and parents with training to encourage better inclusion of disabled children into education and their wider local community. Work continues on the development of the Rehema respite centre which will act as a focus for our support.



Specially fitted chairs made at our APT workshop

\* Entrepreneurial support. FKK respond to local enthusiasm and interest. We respond to initiatives within the community to develop income generating projects. These may be by individuals or groups who have come together to share ideas and support each other.

# Trustees Report (continued) For the year ended 29th February 2016

#### **Achievements and Performance**

In this, the fifth year of activities for FKK, we are delighted to report the following achievements against our objectives **Famine Relief and Food security** 

February and March 2015 was dominated by our concern for the widespread threat of famine in the region with more families under threat of starvation. We raised £40,000 following an appeal with a particularly wonderful response from the Rotary clubs and the Methodists in the Darlington circuit. This money enabled us to distribute food via the usual channels and also provide seeds. It was acknowledged that choosing between seed distribution and provision of food can be difficult. In October 2014 £2000 worth of seeds were distributed only to fail to thrive due to poor rains. However we chose to take funds from the Rehema Centre building budget this October 2015 to aid famine relief and to buy more seeds.

#### **Educational support**

The Education board continue to oversee the bank account in Kenya with Peter from Soteni co-ordinating the sponsorship lists of children. Mandy Martin (one of the founding Directors of the Oliver & Learn Foundation) visited this year and was able to see first-hand the work that is being done to support them. O&L is now funding an additional 3 schools making our sponsored schools a total of 11 as well as 22 students from the Soteni scheme.

A film crew from O&L were part of the team visit in February 2016 and visited schools and special units in order to tell the

story of FKK to a wider audience



Jordan from Oliver & Learn - filming on the run!

#### Special needs educational support.

The co-ordination of the special units feeding program -ably managed by Nkanata Mwiti, without whom our extended network of projects in this community would not exist - has now extended to 13 Units.

Community Workshops have been run as a first level intervention mainly attended by mothers and their children. This has provided peer to peer support and training in first aid, nutrition and hygiene. This has increased our involvement with the SN community which we have also extended with *Physiotherapy workshops* too.

Mucconi physiotherapy clinic has now moved to Mikunduri Hospital and good relationships have been built with physio's, doctors and nutritionalists at both Miathene and Mikunduri hospitals.

A second annual Disability awareness day was held and many officers of the government came including District Education Officers and doctors from Mikunduri hospital. 600 people attended the event which included workshops on legal rights for people with disabilities. We now have a nutritionalist working with us and have extended the KK Lumbi Chicken Project to a further 30 SN Families.

#### The Rehema Respite Centre for children with special needs and their families

Much work was undertaken this year for this project including:

- <> We have now built one dormitory, one toilet block, a pig shed, a cow shed and a granary on the farm.
- We have also had our first harvest of 20 x 90Kg bags of maize during a difficlut dry season and these were given out to the special units. Further planting has continued including Macadamia Nut and Banana trees
- A workshop was constructed to utilise for the running of the Appropriate Paper-based Technology (APT) <> workshop in February 2016. This was a highly successful launch of the workshop with students who are parents of children with disabilities working alongside, local professional therapists and UK trustees and volunteers. This initiative is set to continue on a weekly basis creating bespoke furniture and aids for children with disabilities out of recycled materials.

# Trustees Report (continued) For the year ended 29th February 2016



Harvesting Maize at the Rehema centre Farm.

Enabling and supporting food security is an important part of the work of FKK

Students in the APT workshop decorating their first pieces of work using earth paints

Cardboard is collected and stored for future use in shelving above.



#### Entrepreneurial support and other projects this year

- The KK Lumbi Special unit chicken project was extended to a further 30 families this year.
- Negotiations have started regarding an Experimental Farm project on 200 acres of land attached to Mituntu Polytechnic which was given to the polytechnic in 2007. Although the legal documentation supporting this does not yet exist we have an excellent letter of support from the local MP. The potential for this land for experimental farming in dry conditions is very strong and the Oliver & Learn Foundation have committed to support this project which has so much potential.

# Oisability Conference 2016 in Kianjai

Roy McCloughry (advisor on Disability to the Church of England) joined the team on the February 2016 visit and with the support and assistance of the local churches a conference on issues surrounding disability was held in Kianjai Methodist church. This provided opportunities for storytelling, theological discussions and most importantly gave members of the disabled community a platform to speak from and for others to listen. This was a ground breaking event and 20 disabled community leaders were identified as "champions" to continue the learning and dialogue that was launched at the conference.

### <> Containers shipped

We shipped 4 x 40 ft containers this year and have learnt much in the process. The first container was vandalised and various items were taken. However this caused the team on the ground to sharpen up procedures. A major triumph was the shipping of 38000 theology books on behalf of the Methodist church to Meru University library. Other shipments contained donated items of high quality including 60-70 hospital mattresses, £15000 worth of disabled buggies and much bedding and other equipment to resource the Rehema centre. However, releasing the containers from the docks proved to be a major challenge and without the tenacity and expertise of our Chairman Caroline during weeks of negotiation all the items and would have been lost.

#### <u>Friends Of Kianjai, Kenya</u> <u>Charity No 1143972</u>

# Trustees Report (continued) For the year ended 29th February 2016

The trustees continue to be grateful for the developing relationships with our partners in the following organisations who share their time, wisdom and experience with us.

Trade Aid John Asher and Trade Aid continue to share experience and support Roll out the Barrel The water bottles provided have been put to good use amongst

families with special need children.

Vision Africa This partnership is very important to us and we have much to gain

from sharing experiences and expertise.

**Soteni Village of Hope** Peter Gitonga has brought experience and inspiration to the co-ordination

of our Educational Sponsorship Scheme.

Oliver & Learn This charitable foundation provides ongoing grant funding

and enthusiastic fundraising skills!

Mulhouse Design Company The owners and staff at Mulhouse continue to support us in our fundraising

and many other ways throughout the year.

Just Be a Child Dr Lenka McAlinden was part of our February visit this year bringing her research

skills. We hope to share expertise in new projects going forward.

The trustees would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to the above organisations and individuals who have played an important part in making this year such a success. There are countless unnamed individuals in Kenya and the UK whose tireless work and enthusiasm has made all the activities we undertake possible-thankyou!

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees consider that all money raised is in direct response to a specific project or need. We identify needs or projects in the Kianjai community and aim to find donors in the UK willing to resource them. In the year under review we did not consider it appropriate to hold any reserves that do not fulfil the above requirements.

### Volunteers

The Trustees would like to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers in Kenya and the UK without whose inspiration, dedication and commitment many of the wonderful things FKK has accomplished would not have happened. People have been generous with their time and money and together we have endeavoured to fulfil the objectives that have been entrusted to us.

# Structure, Governance & Management

FKK was formed when Jonathan Gichaara (who was born in Kianjai), Sally Livsey and Caroline Newton met in early 2011. Following a trip to Kianjai in July 2011 the charitable trust was formed on the 31st August 2011 with the above three as trustees and the charity was registered on the 26th September 2011.

The trustees have met regularly this year and undertaken three separate visits to Kenya at their own expense. As always we have benefitted greatly from the expertise, accountability and friendship of the governors and officers within the Methodist circuit in Kianjai . They have proved to be a vital part of the team and we continue to look forward to working together in the future.

Together we share in a common faith and trust in God to Whom we look with confidence for guidance, grace and yet more abundant love and gifts.

Sally Livsey

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Signed on behalf of the trustees
Sally Livsey, Trustee & Treasurer
26th November 2016

#### <u>Friends Of Kianjai, Kenya</u> <u>Charity No 1143972</u>

# Independent Examiner's Report to the Members For the year ended 29th February 2016

This report on the accounts of Friends of Kianjai Kenya for the period ended 29th February 2016 which are set out on page 8, is in respect of an examination carried out under Section 114 of the Charities Act 2011.

#### Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You 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 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 of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning 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 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 Charities Act;
  - <> to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

Signed...... Chris Southwell

Name: Chris Southwell FCA

Address 44 Fore Street, Bradninch, Exeter EX5 4NN

Date 6th December 2016

# Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 29th February 2016

	Uı	restricted	Restricted Funds			Total	Total
		Funds	Famine	Edυ	Special	2016	2015
			& Health	cation	Needs		
Incoming Resources	s	£		£	£	£	£
Regular Giving		1787		955	770	3512	2540
Voluntary receipts:	Individuals	21563	4636	5170		31369	19897
	Churches & other groups	25168	23437		183	48788	485
	Oliver & Learn Foundation			14456	1153	15609	6000
	Corporations	740	500	1460		2700	2829
Fundraising:	Golf & Orston on Safari					0	10894
	Bazaars	4272				4272	0
	Lyn's Swim!	1846				1846	12750
	Other events	100	104		1521	1725	0
	Gift Aid Tax reclaims	2692	2706	739	355	6492	6134
Interest on deposits						0	420
Tota	l Incoming Resources	58168	31383	22780	3982	116313	61949
Resources expende	d						
Generating Funds:							
Fundraising:	Golf & Orston on Safari					0	2255
	Other events	45				45	160
	Hire of film equipment	1569					
Charitable activities	s:						
Famine relief and he	alth		18097			18097	10090
Education		8530		19117		27647	19515
Special Needs		48951	13286		10189	72426	19510
Enterprise		353				353	0
						0	0
Management & Adr	ministration Costs:					0	0
Office running costs		409				409	63
Trustee meeting cos	ts	2167				2167	488
Bank charges		130				130	150
	Total Resources Expende	62154	31383	19117	10189	121274	52231
Net Incoming/ (Out	going)Resources						
before transfers		(3986)		3663	(6207)	(6530)	9718
Transfers between	funds					0	0
Net movement in fu	unds £	(3986)		3663	(6207)	(6530)	9718
Fund Balances Brou	ight Forward	11699		3134	6207	21040	11322
Fund Balances Carri	ied Forward	77 <sup>1</sup> 3		6797	0	14510	21040

**Note 1:** All management & administration costs borne by the trustees have been returned to the charity in the form of voluntary donations which generate a reclaim of tax under the Gift Aid scheme.

Balance Sheet		Total	Total
For the year ended 29th February 2016		2016	2015
		£	£
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand (UK)		7935	4366
Cash at bank and in hand (Kenya)		475	14236
Vision Africa uncleared disbursements.	_	6100	2438
Total Net assets	£	14510	21040
Fund Balances Carried Forward			
Unrestricted funds		7713	11699
Restricted Funds : Education- Sponsorship scheme		6797	3134
Special Needs - Rehema Project	_	0	6207
Total Funds	£	14510	21040