

Trustees Annual Report 2016

Charity name:	Casa Reom Trust
Registered charity number:	1113673
Charity address:	1a New Street, Rugby, Warwickshire, CV22 7BE
Trustees:	Dave MacLellan (Chairman) Iain Slater (Treasurer) Farai Mutsambiwa

Structure, Governance and Management:

Governing document:	Deed of Trust
How is the charity constituted?	Declaration of Trust dated 23 rd October 2005
Trustee selection method:	By resolution of the trustees

Objectives and Activities:

Objects of the charity are:

To promote general charitable purposes for the benefit of the community of Beira, Mozambique and the surrounding area, and to provide relief from financial hardship and social and/or economic disadvantage and to advance the education of its residents of all ages; and in particular to provide opportunities for the aforementioned residents to participate fully in the life of their community in ways which address and alleviate social and economic disadvantage.

Summary of main activities in relation to these objects:

The present aims of the trust are:

- to raise funds to finance the completion of the new Youth With A Mission (YWAM) Casa Reom centre for street children in Inhamizua, Beira
- to ensure that the Casa Reom project has sufficient funds to cover the day-to-day running costs.

The trustees agree any development plans with the director of the Casa Reom centre, providing funds and receiving reports to monitor progress.

Most of the day-to-day running costs for the Casa Reom centre are provided by independent donations (not associated with the Casa Reom Trust) to YWAM UK. However, the trustees correspond with YWAM UK to ensure that sufficient funds are provided for running costs by sending Trust funds if necessary. Whilst donors can specify that they want to support regular running costs or the building project, normally funds which are donated to Casa Reom Trust will be allocated by the trustees to either the building project or running costs as is appropriate and required at the time.

Summary of main achievements of the charity during 2016:

Rugby Team visit Casa Reom

Earlier this year a team of six from m2o church in Rugby visited Casa Reom. Dave, Marion, Joanna, Matt, Harriet and Emma spent just over a week in and around Beira in Mozambique.



The team had time with the boys, playing and getting to know them at the centre and at the beach. You can see here Matt teaching some of the boys the "cup game". The team also visited a church on the Sunday at Inhamizua about 10 minutes' walk from Casa Reom centre.



The team also visited the school, Escola Reom, which is on the same site as the Casa Reom centre. The picture on the left shows some of the school children during break time. The school now has a total of 405 children with an even number of boys and girls. The team also visited the old base in town, shown here on the right, which has been substantially repaired and repainted by a local company called African Tech as part of the lease agreement. The next phase includes repairing upstairs and the roof which will provide a better facility for visiting teams.

A personal view by Emma Wilding

"In July this year I went out to visit Casa Reom for the first time. I had heard so much but really wanted to go and experience it myself! It was definitely something I will never forget. It was so amazing to see all the work that had gone on at the site over the years. Everyone was so welcoming and generous and when the time was to come home I really did not want to leave."

We would go over to the base in Inhamizua most days and spend time with the boys and helping out with any jobs that we could. This included gardening, teaching the boys English, helping with the building of the chicken hutch and just spending time getting to know all the boys."

"On one of the days we went to the beach and it was so much fun, and even though the boys claimed it was cold, it was the warmest sea I had ever swam in!"



"I learnt a few things whilst on the trip:

- *Personal space does not exist on any form of public transport over there.*
- *Mozambican food is absolutely incredible!*
- *But most of all, all the boys have shown me that no matter what you have been through God's love can overcome anything."*

by Emma Wilding

Christmas and New Year Giving

During the year under review Trustees decided not to conduct a Christmas Appeal or Gift Vouchers. Instead a page was set up on give.net to raise £6,000 more per year for Casa Reom to be fully funded for its expanding work. (see give.net/CasaReomTrust)

The New Vehicle

A new vehicle was purchased through the Christmas Appeal of 2015 and this was reported in our previous year Annual Report.

During 2016, the vehicle was in good condition and was used to transport both goods as well as staff and children whenever this was needed. It is proving to be the most appropriate means of transport for accessing areas that sometimes can only be accessed by four wheel drive vehicles.

Once again Trustees are grateful to all those who made contributions for the purchase of the new vehicle.

Staff

A Mozambiquan couple, Ricardo and Dorcas, joined the staff team in February 2016 along with their baby daughter. Since they are fluent speakers of the local dialect, they have been able to forge new relationships with local people, many of whom don't speak Portuguese.

Rebranding

During the year 2016, work on rebranding and development of the new Casa Reom Trust website continued.

This work on a draft new website on Wix platform is currently ongoing and covers basic content development, general content updating and writing script for videos for the website using videos from the 2016 trip to Mozambique reported above.

Below is the new logo and strap line for the new website due to be launched in 2017.



Trustees

The Trustees of Casa Reom Trust remained the same during 2016.

However, Farai Mutsambiwa was due for re-election as a Trustee in November 2016. Farai indicated that he was willing to stand for re-election for a further 3 years. Iain proposed Farai for re-election and Dave seconded. Farai was therefore re-elected as Trustee until 30/11/2019.

Another Trustee, Iain Slater, moved work from England to Belfast, Northern Ireland. However, this did not affect Trustees' meetings as these carried on via video conferencing.

Looking Ahead:

Building Fund Appeal on give.net

Casa Reom Trust has transferred its Building Fund Appeal from JustGiving onto the give.net website. This was done to reduce the ongoing costs associated with the use of JustGiving. We are raising funds for the next phase of our Building Project at Casa Reom which will be a multi-use building housing a kitchen, mess hall / meeting room, office and staff accommodation. See [give.net/CasaReomBuildingAppeal](https://my.give.net/CasaReomBuildingAppeal). So far, over £10,000 has been donated and every pound helps to unlock additional funding from other donor organisations.

Building Fund Appeal on give.net

<https://my.give.net/CasaReomBuildingAppeal>

Donating with give.net is really easy and completely secure. If you are a UK taxpayer, you can Gift Aid your donation which will add 25p to every £1 you give

GE Foundation Matching Fund

A number of people who support Casa Reom work at GE in Rugby or elsewhere. The GE Foundation has a matching fund where personal gifts to Casa Reom are matched by the GE Foundation's giving fund. More information on GE Foundation matching is available at www.gefoundation.com/giving-programs/matching-gifts.

Further Information:

Past copies of all of our Annual Reports can be found on the Casa Reom website (www.casa-reom.org.uk) along with newsletters and further updates on the project.

Financial Review:

Brief statement of the charity policy on reserves:

The trustees do not aim to keep particular reserves, but ensure that commitments to provide funds do not exceed trust assets.

The fund is not in deficit.

Principal funding sources:

Funds are collected through different mechanisms:

- fundraising events
- individual donations, both one off and by standing order
- applications for grants from other charitable trusts

Fundraising events are organised by individuals or groups, including trustees of Casa Reom Trust. The Casa Reom Trust may be willing with prior agreement to pay for fundraising expenses, but the events remain the responsibility of the organisers.

The accounts are included below on page 7. The restricted funds are itemised and include money given by individual donors specifically for running costs and money raised for specific projects and purposes such as the yearly Christmas Appeals. Much of the money received for the Christmas Appeals comes through give.net which replaced JustGiving in 2016.

Receipts in 2016 totaled £25,979 and included:

- £1,944 for the Christmas Appeal 2015 (New Vehicle).
- £490 restricted donations
- £22,278 unrestricted one-off and regular donations
- £1,267 tax refund on Gift Aid Donations

These amounts include tax recovered through the Gift Aid scheme.

To all our donors, supporters, friends and volunteers – Thank you for your ongoing support!

Declaration:

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:

Full name:

Position:

Date:

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Casa Reom Trust
(Charity number 1113673)**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2016, which are set out on page **7**.....

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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down by the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- to state 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 audit 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 believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 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.



Nicola Tysall

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17th July 2017

Casa Reom Trust - Financial statement for the Year Ended 31st December 2016

Receipts and payment account:

Receipts	2016		2015		Payments		2016		2015			
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Standing Orders / Regular Donations	7,522	130	7,652	6,057	265	6,322	18,473	170	18,643	13,426	356	13,783
One-off Donations	14,494	70	14,563	6,666	9,348	16,014	9	8,447	8,456	0	21	21
Donations from Other Charities / Trusts	444	0	444	0	0	0	216	0	216	216	0	216
Christmas Appeal (excl JustGiving)	0	1,531	1,531	0	4,304	4,304						
GAYL / Paypal	77	0	77	50	0	50						
Give.net / JustGiving.com	59	366	426	100	1,085	1,185						
Bank Interest	0	17	17	1	10	11						
Tax Refund on Gift Aid Donations	948	319	1,267	1,678	1,889	3,566						
Total receipts	23,544	2,434	25,979	14,552	16,900	31,453	18,698	8,617	27,315	13,642	377	14,020

Receipts exceed payments by:
Cash, and bank deposits 1st Jan 2016 17,433
Cash, and bank deposits 1st Jan 2017 19,511
18,174

2016 Restricted Receipts:

Christmas Appeal 2015 (New Vehicle)	£ 1,944
New Building Appeal	320
Running Costs	170
	<u>2,434</u>

2016 Restricted Payments:
Christmas Appeal 2015 (New Vehicle) £ 8,447
Running Costs 170
8,617

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2016

Assets	£
Bank current account	11,311
Bank deposit account	8,200
Cash in hand	0
Total cash	<u>19,511</u>
Restricted cash	16,701