

Registered Charity No. 1120876

**THE BRITAIN-NIGERIA EDUCATIONAL TRUST
REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

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REPORT OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES
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INTRODUCTION

The Board of Trustees present their Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2015 under the Charities Act 2011, together with the financial statements for the year. The Board confirms that the latter comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the Company's Constitution and the Charities SORP FRS 102 (2015).

PURPOSES AND ACTIVITIES

The broad aim of the Educational Trust is to promote friendship and understanding between the UK and Nigeria by providing reasoned financial support that directly contributes to the progress and advancement of education in Nigeria.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trustees continue to observe the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when considering its activities and in particular how the grants approved and applied during the year have contributed to the achievement of its objectives and aims.

❖ *The Immaculate Conception Girls' Secondary School, Umutu*

The formal opening of the new purpose-built *Donald Partridge* science block took place on in January 2015 since when, following satisfactory inspection visits by WAEC and Ministry of Education officials, the school has received approval for their students to take Senior Secondary School examinations. The first sixteen students to sit these examinations achieved creditable results particularly in Maths and Science while seven students have gained admission to higher institutions. As the student population has now exceeded 100, the Catholic Diocese has built a second hostel identical in design to the first built by the Trust to increase boarding capacity. The charity will continue to monitor the needs of the school.

❖ *Commonwealth Fellowship Plan*

In a new initiative it has been agreed with the Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) to launch four education fellowships tenable in Northern Nigeria with the aim to enable the sharing of knowledge and experience between faculties of Education in Nigeria and elsewhere in the Commonwealth. The focus of fellowships will be on educational and curriculum development and Fellows will act as visiting external examiners for courses in the Faculty of Education at their host university. Specifically the fellowships will focus on courses linked to primary/secondary teacher education with a commitment for three years (2017-2019) with Fellows spending two to three weeks each year at their host university.

Both Bayero and Ahmadu Bello universities have accepted BNET's invitation to participate and ACU are currently drafting a suitable advertisement inviting applications for the selection process. It is planned for the appointed examiners to take up their assignments at the start of the 2017 academic cycle.

❖ *Teacher Training & Development*

Teacher training and development remains a priority with maximum support being given to The Tafawa Balewa Teacher Award Scheme that was set up in 2007 to help deserving teachers upgrade their skills through the Nigeria Certificate of Education programme run by the National Teachers' Institute (NTI). In April 2015 a grant of £4,960 was released to fund the continuing course fees of 32 students on Cycle 3 while in November a new intake of 37 teachers selected from their year one examination results were chosen to receive awards funding their enrolment for the next three years. Their Cycle 1 fees of £6,118 were paid in December 2015. Currently there are 69 teachers receiving tuition bringing the total number of teachers who will have benefited through this scheme to 221.

VSO volunteer Bernie Allen successfully completed her placement with the Kwara State Ministry of Education where she oversaw the management of national graduate volunteers and national youth corps in the implementation of VSO's Nigerian education programme, which focused on in-house teacher training. These attachments have proved to be very rewarding and it is the charity's intention to fund a replacement as soon as another qualified volunteer has been identified.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

❖ ***Nigerian Schools Sports Family Fun Day (NSSFF)***

A donation of £500 was given to the NSSFF as a contribution towards the administrative costs of their second Lecture titled *Nigerians in Multicultural Britain (Education)*. The event took place at Council Chambers, London Borough of Bromley Civic Centre on 27 June 2015.

❖ ***Hope for the Village Child Foundation (HVCF)***

Following extensive investigations the Trust initiated the involvement of Worldreader, a global non-profit charity that specialises in providing digital books to further education in Africa, and sponsored the funding of 35 kindles preloaded with 200 e-books carefully selected to be suitable for children in Nigerian schools. The investment was £4,298 and the devices were donated to the Hope for the Village Child Foundation who run a clinic and several schools in the Kachia area of Kaduna State. After a period of intensive training this new aid to teaching was formally launched on 14 October 2015 to wide acclaim.

The Trustees are confident this exciting new concept can be extended to benefit other schools in many ways such as expanding library facilities and will evaluate various potential applications in the coming months.

❖ ***The Agbado E-Learning Centre***

The Agbado E-Learning Centre is a 9-month old initiative founded by Mrs Ajoke Omoware that tutors children free of charge to help them improve their learning and reading skills. The Centre relies solely on voluntary funding and the services of two professional teachers who freely give their services. As a gesture of support the Trust donated N320,000 (£1,000) to fund additional classroom facilities.

❖ ***The Special Needs Education & Welfare Foundation***

A grant of £3,825 has been approved for the Special Needs Education & Welfare Foundation to fund the cost of basic equipment needed for their innovative project that will develop communications for the many deaf children and adults in Nigeria. Working in collaboration with the Deafness Cognition and Language Research Centre at University of London and the University of Calabar, Nigeria the aim is to support the development of a distinctive Nigerian sign language that will enhance adult communication and the education of deaf children. The first phase of the project, which cuts across ethnic, cultural and linguistic backgrounds, has a target completion date of February 2018 by when the material produced will be a significant support for educators.

❖ ***Colleges Development Fund***

As previously reported this Fund was set up to accommodate the donation of one million pounds received in 2012 for the equal benefit of Kings College, Lagos and Edo College, Benin on the condition that the donor's identity would not be disclosed.

For **Edo College** their grant was applied to fund the construction and furnishing of a new two storey 6-classroom block and an additional two storey hostel complex for their students both of which were completed and commissioned in June 2014. The College has since made full use of these new facilities but the provision of Naira 20 million to fund an enduring scholarship scheme has been delayed due to the appointment of a new Headmaster and the scheme is now planned for implementation in 2016 when the terms and controls have been agreed and put in place.

It is proposed to use the remaining balance of the grant to provide a Maintenance Fund for the upkeep of the buildings and to fund a new bore hole, pipelines and ancillary equipment for the improvement of water supply. It is planned to complete this work as a priority so that closure of this project may be achieved by end 2016.

The project agreed with **Kings College** was to build, furnish and equip a 3-storey multipurpose block with a science and IT laboratory on the ground floor and classrooms on the upper floors. However, during construction the school justified the addition of a 4th floor, which as the cost could be contained within the original budget by simplifying the IT laboratory, was agreed. Building work was completed by mid-year and the classrooms furnished and equipped in time for the new academic year that started in October. A revised contract has been negotiated for the IT laboratory equipment and it is now planned to formally commission the building in June 2016 by when all outstanding jobs will have been completed and the site landscaped. The setting up of a scholarship scheme and maintenance fund along the same lines as those agreed for Edo College will be considered thereafter.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

❖ **Marketing Activities**

As part of its programme of activities to attract new members and increase awareness of the Trust an open evening was organised in September at the Brunei Gallery, School of Oriental & African Studies. Around 70 friends and members enjoyed an evening of conversation with a celebrity panel exchanging experiences about growing up, learning and schooling in both Nigeria and the UK. Similar events will be held in 2016.

Taking advantage of the expanding social networks and to raise the Trust's visibility Facebook and Twitter pages have been opened. In February Mrs Karen Sussex, a former Information Technology Tutor, was given the responsibility of managing BNET's social networks and is co-ordinating a number of improvements to upgrade the BNET website.

❖ **Vice Patrons**

The Trustees are pleased to announce the appointments of Dr Dalhatu Sarki Tafida, OFR CFR and Mr Derek Reeves, MBE as Vice Patrons of the charity in recognition of their valuable support and guidance.

Financial Review

Compared to the previous year activity in 2015 was at a much lower level as the Trust took the opportunity to consolidate its financial resources and focus on the completion of several projects. Funding remains a matter of concern as incoming resources continue to decline without the benefit of any sizeable donations. Bank interest and investment income fell by 41.7% to £4,896 (2014: £8,398) while voluntary income comprising membership subscriptions, tax reclaims and donations dropped marginally to £9,089 (2014: £9,166). Sales of Christmas cards and miscellaneous activities generated £2,584 but the overall income for the year was down by 21% at £16,569 (2014: £20,977).

Governance and supporting costs, including administrative expenses but excluding the exchange gain, were £25,597, an increase of 10.5% over 2015. This excluded allowable direct expenses of £5,774, attributed to disbursements of the donation capital, net of which there was an operating deficit of £14,790 (2014: £24,782) that was funded out of the BNET's 'unrestricted' capital resources. The combined Funds closing balance stood at £346,364 (2014: £481,332).

The Trustees acknowledge the implications these financial figures signal and are addressing as a priority the need to attract new members and donors. In consequence only £21,536 was disbursed from its unrestricted funds in support of current projects, before the write back of the creditor for the Commonwealth Scholarship, which is the lowest figure since 2007 (2014: £31,771).

Reserves policy

To ensure the Trust's reserves are adequate to maintain and fund the long term objectives of the Trust, expenditure will normally be limited to the income derived through its investments, membership subscriptions, annual appeals, bequests, regular Gift Aid donations and the sale of merchandise. The unrestricted year-end balance of £321,080 is deemed adequate to support on-going commitments, particularly BNET's five-year Commonwealth Fellowship Plan and the course fees of the teachers benefiting under the upgrading programme run by the National Teachers Institute, as well as providing sufficient funding for other new projects that may arise.

Investment Policy

The purpose is to maximise investment income so as to achieve a balance between income and expenditure thus limiting the need to fund out of reserves. Throughout 2015 investments remained fairly stable closing with a value of £115,338, an increase of 0.08% over 2014 (£114,434). No new investments are planned.

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Financial Review (continued)

Investment Policy (continued)

The Trustees continue to maintain their current policy of keeping cash reserves secure and will generate maximum interest income by holding £161,613 of the cash balance in a Charities Aid Foundation investment bond and the remaining £33,694 held on the money market so that it is readily available to fund approved educational projects. Similarly the restricted donation balance of £217,582 has been held in a designated HSBC current account. The Trustees generally have an overall “risk-averse” attitude to investments

Grant Making Policy

To maximise the benefit of the Trust’s limited financial resources applications for financial support are considered under three distinct categories. These are Small Grants, Capital Projects and Associated Grants.

Small Grants cover applications that have no on-going commitment or administrative requirement and are limited to a maximum award of £5,000. The Resident Representative regularly monitors the application of all small grant awards.

A Capital Project is normally funded out of capital, requires a detailed business plan prior to approval and the Resident Representative, Nigeria closely monitors its progress during implementation.

Associated grants cover applications with other organisations who themselves are financially committed to the support of education in Nigeria. The condition of participation with a partner organisation is that they would be responsible for administration and management of any award. Such awards are limited to a maximum of £10,000 per annum for a period not exceeding five years

FUTURE PLANS

It is the intention to complete the Kings College project on time and within budget in 2016. Provision remains in place for both Kings and Edo Colleges to launch scholarship schemes for their qualifying indigent students and any remaining balances from their respective grants will be applied to set up appropriate college maintenance funds. In addition to continuing support for Teacher Training and VSO Volunteers, the potential benefit of e-readers for Nigerian schools is being evaluated and it is proposed to fund visiting external examiners in partnership with the Association of Commonwealth Universities to a minimum of two universities in Nigeria. Other opportunities that benefit education in Nigeria will be continually assessed and evaluated.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Trust is a registered charity, number 1120876 governed by its Constitution dated September 4, 2007. Formerly known as ‘The Alhaji Sir Abubakar Tafawa Balewa Memorial Trust’, it had been founded in 1968 by members of the Britain-Nigeria Association to honour and perpetuate the memory of Nigeria’s first Prime Minister. The assets and continuation of existing activities of that trust migrated to The Britain-Nigeria Educational Trust on December 31, 2007.

Trustees

The Trust is administered by a Board of Trustees of not less than seven in number who shall normally serve for a three-year term. One third of the Board is therefore re-elected at each Annual General Meeting. The appointment of Trustees and Officers is made in accordance with Rule 5 of the Constitution with one seat permanently reserved for The High Commissioner for Nigeria to the United Kingdom.

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At their Meeting held on 3 November 2015 the Trustees appointed Professor Graham Furniss, BA PhD FBA OBE Vice Chairman of the Trust.

The following served as Trustees during the year: -

Mr D K O Brandler	(Chairman)
Professor G L Furniss, BA PhD FBA OBE	(Vice Chairman)
Mr G M Clark	(Secretary)
Mr J R Lee	(Treasurer)
Dr M H Anderson	
Professor L J Bown, OBE	
Mr T Cooke	
Ms E. Dudley	(Events Co-ordinator)
Mr D. Fatunla	Appointed 3 February 2015
General (Dr) Y D Gowon	
Mr J A F Howard	Resigned 1 September 2015
Mr A Oladimeji	
Mr K M Rafferty	(Membership secretary)
Mr D R Reeves, MBE	Resigned 23 July 2015
Mrs K Taylor	Appointed 3 November 2015
HE The High Commissioner for Nigeria to the UK	

Trustee Recruitment and Training

Potential Trustees are identified by members of the Board and considered against the Board's requirements concerning availability, eligibility, competence and specialist skills. Achieving a balance of experience and backgrounds with first-hand knowledge of Nigeria is the objective.

Members of the Board will necessarily have an interest in the welfare and progress of Nigeria's population.

Prospective Trustees are invited to attend Board Meetings prior to accepting the role to help them gain an understanding of the work and aims of the Trust and are required to sign the Charity Commission's "Declaration of Eligibility" before their appointment. Following election they are briefed by the Chairman and provided with further information about the Trust and their role within it. They receive copies of the Constitution, the latest Report and Accounts and a copy of the Charity Commission publication "The Essential Trustee". All Trustees are kept up to date on charity issues through the Charity Commission's regular bulletins and newsletters. Attendance at relevant courses may be considered as necessary.

Professional Advisors and Key Personnel

Chairman	Mr D K Brandler
Vice Chairman	Professor G L Furniss, BA PhD FBA OBE
Secretary	Mr G M Clark
Treasurer	Mr J R Lee
Membership Secretary	Mr K M Rafferty
Address	Europoint House 5 Lavington Street London SE1 0NZ

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Professional Advisors and Key Personnel (continued)

Bankers	HSBC Bank plc The Peak 333 Vauxhall Bridge Road London SW1V 2EJ
Independent Examiner	Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP Aquis House 49-51 Blagrove Street Reading RG1 1PL
Resident Representative (Nigeria)	Engineer G Ojieh 677 Emma Adubifa Street, Omole 2 PO Box 19779, Ikeja Lagos, Nigeria

Membership

The Trust welcomes, in both the United Kingdom and Nigeria, individuals over the age of eighteen, institutions and companies who are interested in supporting its charitable objects. The benefits of membership include a newsletter, a quarterly digest that provides information about current affairs in Nigeria, a monthly compendium of events in and around the UK and various social fundraising functions. Tangible benefits are also provided by Arik Air International, the Royal Over-Seas League and the Nigeria High Commission.

Through its membership with the Business Council for Africa, corporate members and members with business connections may attend various BCA 'Nigeria' events at discounted rates.

A valuable and regular income is derived through membership subscriptions. Eight new members joined in 2015 while twenty-eight were lost (9 deaths, 3 resignations and 16 for non-payment of subscriptions). Overall membership numbers reduced by 20 to 201. Green Park Worldwide were welcomed as joining corporate members while Arik Air International, Leventis Overseas plc, FBN Bank (UK) Ltd and PZ Cussons plc each maintained their commitment to the charity.

Protection of its member's personal information is a commitment of the Trust, which is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office under number Z1107800.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees continue to keep the Trust's activities under review, particularly with regard to any major risks that may arise from time to time. The major risks identified by this process have been mitigated to an acceptable level by internal control systems, insurance cover, third party project reports and other procedures as considered appropriate from time to time.

STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE ACCOUNTS

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards) and applicable law.

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STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

Under charity law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its net outgoing resources for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are 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.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 7 April 2016
and signed on their behalf by

David Brandler
Chairman

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2015 £	Total 2014 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	9,089	-	9,089	9,166
Other trading activities	3	2,372	-	2,372	3,185
Income from Investments	4	4,896	-	4,896	8,398
Other income - Members meetings		<u>212</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>228</u>
Total income		<u>16,569</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,569</u>	<u>20,977</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Costs of generating funds		655	-	655	846
Charitable activities	5	<u>2,028</u>	<u>149,758</u>	<u>151,786</u>	<u>621,112</u>
Total resources expended		<u>2,683</u>	<u>149,758</u>	<u>152,441</u>	<u>621,958</u>
Gains on investments	9	<u>904</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>904</u>	<u>6,120</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		14,790	(149,758)	(134,968)	(594,861)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		14,790	(149,758)	(134,968)	(594,861)
<i>FUNDS AT 1 JANUARY 2015 (2014)</i>		<u>306,290</u>	<u>175,042</u>	<u>481,332</u>	<u>1,076,193</u>
FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015 (2014)		<u>321,080</u>	<u>25,284</u>	<u>346,364</u>	<u>481,332</u>

COMPARATIVE YEAR

<i>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</i>					
Donations and legacies	2	9,166	-	9,166	
Other trading activities	3	3,185	-	3,185	
Income from Investments	4	8,398	-	8,398	
Other income - Members meetings		<u>228</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>228</u>	
<i>Total income</i>		<u>20,977</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,977</u>	
<i>EXPENDITURE ON:</i>					
Costs of generating funds		846	-	846	
Charitable activities	5	<u>51,033</u>	<u>570,079</u>	<u>621,112</u>	
<i>Total resources expended</i>		<u>51,879</u>	<u>570,079</u>	<u>621,958</u>	
Gains on investments	9	<u>6,120</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,120</u>	
<i>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</i>		<i>(24,782)</i>	<i>(570,079)</i>	<i>(594,861)</i>	
<i>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</i>		<i>(24,782)</i>	<i>(570,079)</i>	<i>(594,861)</i>	
<i>FUNDS AT 1 JANUARY 2014</i>		<u>331,072</u>	<u>745,121</u>	<u>1,076,193</u>	
<i>FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014</i>		<u>306,290</u>	<u>175,042</u>	<u>481,332</u>	

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of the accounts

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BALANCE SHEET AT
31 DECEMBER 2015

	Notes	2015	2014
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	9	115,338	114,434
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	10	283	385
Cash at bank		<u>500,854</u>	<u>685,392</u>
		501,137	685,777
CREDITORS: Due within one year	11	<u>(270,111)</u>	<u>(298,879)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>231,026</u>	<u>386,898</u>
		346,364	501,332
CREDITORS: Due after one year	11	<u>-</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>346,364</u>	<u>481,332</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Unrestricted funds		321,080	306,290
Restricted funds	12	<u>25,284</u>	<u>175,042</u>
		<u>346,364</u>	<u>481,332</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 7 April 2016
and signed on their behalf by:

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David Brandler
Chairman

THE BRITAIN-NIGERIA EDUCATIONAL TRUST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The charity has early adopted the provisions of bulletin 1 as permitted.

The Britain Nigeria Educational Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

The charity has cash resources and has no requirement for external funding. The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. They continue to believe the going concern basis of accounting appropriate in preparing the annual financial statements.

b) Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 the restatement of comparative items was required. In their estimation, the impact of transitioning is not material to the financial statements and therefore the restatement of comparative items is not required. The transition date was 1 January 2014.

c) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty.

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying value of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimation and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of revision and future periods if the revision affects the current and future periods.

In the view of the trustees, no assumptions concerning the future or estimation uncertainty affecting the assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date are likely to result in a material adjustment to their carrying amounts in the next financial year.

d) Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Income

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Investment income is included when receivable.
- Incoming resources from charitable trading activity are accounted for when earned.

f) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognized on an accrual basis as each liability is incurred.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with fundraising activities.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Charitable expenditure is reported under two sub headings:

- Grants in support of the charity's aims.
- Support costs - comprising the costs incurred to support the trustees in running the activities and supervising the projects in Nigeria.

In previous years Governance costs (costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity, the independent examiner fees and costs in respect of the strategic management of the charity) were shown separately in the Statement of Financial Activities. To comply with Charities SORP FRS 102 Governance costs have been included within support costs.

Capital items costing under £500 are written off when incurred.

g) Grants

Grants payable are recognised as expenditure in the year in which a binding commitment to make payments is entered into.

h) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds held by the charity are those which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds are where specific conditions are imposed by the donor which restricts the use of unspent funds. The income is taken directly to the relevant restricted funds.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

i) Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recorded at their transaction value and subsequently valued at closing mid-market value at the Balance Sheet date. Any gain or loss on revaluation is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

j) Foreign Currency

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the prevailing rate of exchange on the date of the transaction.

Other than the Kings College project, grants paid to Nigeria are generally agreed at a sterling amount and paid from a sterling bank account, thus no exchange rate gain or loss arises. The Kings College project is managed from the charity's bank account in Nigeria and the transactions are translated into sterling at the prevailing rate of exchange on the date of the transaction.

k) Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any trade discounts due.

l) Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised when the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2015 Total £	<i>2014 Total £</i>
Memberships	5,761	-	5,761	5,431
Tax reclaim	1,136	-	1,136	2,538
Donations	<u>2,192</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,192</u>	<u>1,197</u>
	<u>9,089</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,089</u>	<u><i>9,166</i></u>

The donation income in 2014 was all unrestricted.

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2015 Total £	<i>2014 Total £</i>
Sale of Christmas cards	2,372	-	2,372	3,185
	<u>2,372</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,372</u>	<u><i>3,185</i></u>

Income in 2014 was all unrestricted

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4. INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2015 Total £	2014 Total £
Bank interest	1,072	-	1,072	4,594
Income from Unit Trusts and Bonds	<u>3,824</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,824</u>	<u>3,804</u>
	<u><u>4,896</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>4,896</u></u>	<u><u>8,398</u></u>

Income in 2014 was all unrestricted

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2015 Total £	2014 Total £
Grants (note 6)	(8,464)	150,426	141,962	594,252
Support costs (note 7)	<u>10,492</u>	<u>(668)</u>	<u>9,824</u>	<u>26,860</u>
	<u><u>2,028</u></u>	<u><u>149,758</u></u>	<u><u>151,786</u></u>	<u><u>621,112</u></u>

2014 Comparatives

Grants (note 6)	31,771	562,481	594,252	
Support costs (note 7)	<u>19,262</u>	<u>7,598</u>	<u>26,860</u>	
	<u><u>51,033</u></u>	<u><u>570,079</u></u>	<u><u>621,112</u></u>	

6. GRANTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2015 Total £	2014 Total £
VSO - (1 grant – individual)	-	-	-	1,500
Nigerian School Sports Family Fun Day	500	-	500	500
Hope for the Village Child - textbooks	-	-	-	2,500
Hope for the Village Child – e-readers	4,495	-	4,495	-
Gethsemane – Teacher training	-	-	-	2,505
Bayero University – Textbooks	-	-	-	1,350
National Teachers Institute	11,338	-	11,338	6,460
Girls School Umutu	346	-	346	17,607
Edo College	-	-	-	177,500
Kings College	-	150,426	150,426	242,683
Scholarship – Edo & Kings Colleges	-	-	-	142,298
Agbado e-Learning Centre	1,032	-	1,032	-
Borehole Project	-	-	-	(651)
Special Needs Education & Welfare Foundation	3,825	-	3,825	-
Commonwealth Scholarship withdrawn	<u>(30,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(30,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u><u>(8,464)</u></u>	<u><u>150,426</u></u>	<u><u>141,962</u></u>	<u><u>594,252</u></u>

Restricted grants in 2014 were those to Edo and Kings College listed above totalling £562,481.

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7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2015 Total £	2014 Total £
Administration	4,335	-	4,335	4,330
Nigerian Representative retainer and expenses	4,004	4,462	8,466	8,475
Colleges Development Fund support costs	-	-	-	2,619
Event costs	208	-	208	-
Office rent	2,681	-	2,681	1,724
Printing, postage and stationery	4,347	-	4,347	4,924
Bank charges	-	1,312	1,312	1,444
Exchange (gain)/loss	(15,105)	(6,442)	(21,547)	(3,706)
AGM costs	3,419	-	3,419	2,665
Governance costs:				
- Board Meetings	2,309	-	2,309	1,231
- Independent Review	3,870	-	3,870	2,730
- Trustees Liability Insurance	424	-	424	424
	<u>10,492</u>	<u>(668)</u>	<u>9,824</u>	<u>26,860</u>

2014 Comparatives

Administration	4,330	-	4,330
Nigerian Representative retainer and expenses	4,935	3,540	8,475
Colleges Development Fund support costs	-	2,619	2,619
Event costs	-	-	-
Office rent	1,724	-	1,724
Printing, postage and stationery	4,924	-	4,924
Bank charges	5	1,439	1,444
Exchange (gain)/loss	(3,706)	-	(3,706)
AGM costs	2,665	-	2,665
Governance costs:			
- Board Meetings	1,231	-	1,231
- Independent Review	2,730	-	2,730
- Trustees Liability Insurance	424	-	424
	<u>19,262</u>	<u>7,598</u>	<u>26,860</u>

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8. STAFF COSTS (including trustees)

	2015	<i>2014</i>
	Total	<i>Total</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Wages and salaries	<u>4,335</u>	<u><i>4,330</i></u>
Number of staff during the year (part time):		
Administration	<u>1</u>	<u><i>1</i></u>

No employee earned over £60,000 in either year.

There were no remunerated key management personnel in either year.

Expenses reimbursed to three Trustees during the period totalled £2,517 (*2014: £2,280, four trustees*) relating to travel costs.

No trustees received any remuneration during the period.

Total donations received from trustees amounted to £716.

9. INVESTMENTS

	2015	<i>2014</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Market value 1 January 2015 (2014)	114,434	<i>108,314</i>
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Net unrealised gain/(loss)	<u>904</u>	<u><i>6,120</i></u>
Market value at 31 December 2015 (2014)	<u>115,338</u>	<u><i>114,434</i></u>

The investments were donated to the charity by The Britain-Nigeria Association and The Alhaji Sir Abubakar Tafawa Balewa Memorial Trust.

All investments are listed.

All investments are basic financial instruments and are measured at fair value.

10. DEBTORS

	2015	<i>2014</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Prepayments	<u>283</u>	<u><i>385</i></u>

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11. CREDITORS

	2015 £	2014 £
Due within one year:		
Grants payable	266,751	296,149
Independent exam fee	<u>3,360</u>	<u>2,730</u>
	<u>270,111</u>	<u>298,879</u>
Due after one year:		
Grants payable	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>20,000</u></u>

All creditors are basic financial instruments measured at transaction value.

12. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	1 January 2015 £	Movement in Funds			31 December 2015 £
		Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	
Restricted Funds					
Colleges					
Development Fund	<u>175,042</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(149,758)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,284</u>
	<u><u>175,042</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(149,758)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>25,284</u></u>

The Colleges Development Fund is a donation received that is to be applied for the equal benefit of Kings College, Lagos and Edo College, Benin, over a five-year period although not necessarily evenly. BNET has the freedom to discuss the needs of both colleges and then to draw up an agreed programme to enable each to derive maximum benefit from the value of their respective grants. The donation may not be invested for gain but should earn interest that will accrue solely for the benefit of BNET as a contribution towards related expenses. Direct costs may be charged against the capital of the donation.

13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS

	Investments £	Current Assets £	Current Liabilities £	Liabilities after one year	Total £
Restricted Funds					
Colleges					
Development Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>288,210</u>	<u>(262,926)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,284</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>288,210</u>	<u>(262,926)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,284</u>
Unrestricted Funds	<u>115,338</u>	<u>212,927</u>	<u>(7,185)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>321,080</u>
	<u><u>115,338</u></u>	<u><u>501,137</u></u>	<u><u>(270,111)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>346,364</u></u>

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14. COMMITMENTS

Edo College Project:-

The contracts for the building entered into by the College, which the Trust had agreed to support, were completed during the year, under budget. The trustees intend setting up a maintenance fund, but the amount required to fund this has not yet been agreed. At the year-end 15,594,151 Naira (£52,964) was held in Edo's project bank account, this will be used to improve the school's water supply with the balance going to the maintenance fund.

Kings College

The balance of the contracts entered into by the College, which the Trust has agreed to support, is 37,413,419 Naira (£127,071 at the year-end exchange rate) and is included within creditors. Payment is contingent on reports from the Quantity Surveyor and the Trust's Resident Representative. The project bank account is controlled by the charity and included within the bank accounts on the balance sheet.

Included within opening and closing creditors is also 20,000,000 Naira (£67,928 at the year-end exchange rate 2014: £71,149) for each project to set up a scholarship scheme. Due to delays in construction and agreement over the mechanics of the scheme these have not yet progressed.

Visiting Fellowship

In 2010 the Trustees established the visiting fellowship plan with Ibadan University, to take place over the following five years. Due to problems identifying suitable candidates and getting the university to actively participate in this, only two fellowships took place in the period to 2014. At the end of 2014 the trustees therefore determined that another award would not be made until they had written assurances regarding the administrative procedures at the university.

At the start of 2015 it was agreed that the award should be widened to other universities in the North of Nigeria and divided up into smaller awards for a shorter period for external examiners. The remaining balance of award of £30,000 was therefore withdrawn.

The trustees have agreed to use this £30,000 in conjunction with a £10,000 contribution from ACU to fund the External Examiners project. The awards are subject to security assessment at the time of each award and have therefore not been accrued in the accounts.

	2015 £	2014 £
Grants payable:		
Opening balance at 1 January 2015	316,149	40,000
Granted during the year	192,139	594,903
Grant written back	(30,000)	(651)
Exchange gain on Naira build contracts	(26,620)	-
Payments made	<u>(184,917)</u>	<u>(318,103)</u>
Payable at 31 December 2015	<u>266,751</u>	<u>316,149</u>

15. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at the balance sheet date.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BRITAIN-NIGERIA EDUCATIONAL TRUST

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2015, which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 154 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examiner's work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity, the charity's members as a body and the charity's trustees as a body for my independent examiner's work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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 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 any 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:
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave 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.

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Date: 14 April 2016