

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1st	Month August	Year 2022		Day 31st	Month July	Year 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Himalayan Youth Foundation UK (HYF-UK)

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1124243

18 Holeyn Hall Road

Wylam

Northumberland

Postcode

NE41 8BB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Gerry Slater	Chairman		HYF-UK
2	Koenraad Foulon	Trustee		
3	Catherine Kerr	Trustee		
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6				
7	Norman Stromsoy	Chairman	Resigned January 2023	
8	Samantha Michel	Secretary	Resigned January 2023	

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by Existing Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The charity works closely with the Himalayan Youth Foundation in the USA (HYF-US), Mountaineers for Himalayas (M4H) in Andorra, and the Fontana Foundation in Switzerland.

Working with these organisations, support is provided to the following operational charities

- The Himalayan Children's Foundation (HCF) which operates the Kailash Home in Kathmandu, Nepal.
- The Choki Traditional Arts School (CTAS) in Thimpu, Bhutan

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

<p>Objectives</p> <p>To advance Education, relieve poverty, sickness and distress and promote the good health of children, particularly those aged 6 to 18, living in the Himalayan region, in such ways as the Trustees think fit.</p>
<p>Activities</p> <p>The charity has continued to work with HYF-US and M4H to support the needs of both HCF in Nepal and CTAS in Bhutan.</p> <p>HCF in Nepal</p> <p>Mountaineers for Himalayas in Andorra (M4H) continues to have overall financial responsibility for HCF in Nepal.</p> <p>HCF in Nepal runs a hostel constructed in 2007 on the outskirts of Kathmandu which houses 100 underprivileged and/or orphaned students as well as mentoring and financial support to 25 students undertaking Higher Education in the community. The hostel provides general care and assistance for the children and provides for their education through local schools.</p> <p>In the past HYF-UK have supported HCF by providing individual sponsors for each child and raising funds for other purposes connected with the Buildings and Facilities at the Kailash Hostel.</p> <p>Following the difficulties experienced last year in identifying new Sponsors and raising Funds, we have this year experienced difficulties in working with our sister Charities, and as a result, a number of Trustees who, in the past, have given great service, have decided to step down from the Charity.</p> <p>Although the Charity has been able to identify 3 new Sponsors this year, a similar number have fallen by the wayside.</p> <p>The direct support we have provided to Students who have left the HCF facility and are studying at University has come to a natural end as the students have graduated.</p> <p>We have also worked with the Madrinha Trust to provide financial support and mentoring guidance to the students, helping them to make the very most of this opportunity. This support has also reached a natural conclusion with all students having either graduated or been guided in other directions.</p> <p>Madrinha have, as agreed last year, provided funds to cover University fees and living expenses for existing students during their courses which concluded in 2023 and have now confirmed that they will not provide any further support .</p> <p>In the light of the above HYF-UK has come to the conclusion that it will not continue as an active charity seeking Funds and Sponsors, for HCF and will restrict its activities to administering the existing Sponsorship agreements in accordance with Charity Commission commitments.</p>

CTAS in Bhutan

The Fontana Foundation in Switzerland continues to have overall financial responsibility for CTAS in Bhutan, and we work with them to support the children at the Choki school.

CTAS in Bhutan is a private school for traditional arts, set up to help children from broken and economically disadvantaged homes. The school provides free education, food and lodging and schools the children in the traditional arts of Lhadri(painting), Jinzo(sculpture) and Pap(carving).

Koenraad Foulon, the Trustee with special responsibility for CTAS has spearheaded a fundraising campaign to raise funds to constructing a new Multi-Purpose Hall on the CTAS Campus. This Hall will provide space and facilities for

- Dining for all the Students
- Cultural Programmes
- Conference and Meeting facilities

Fundraising activities included a Trans Bhutan trek which took place in March 2023, and led to the raising of over \$500,000 through the UK and US charities.

Construction of the Hall commenced in June 2023, with completion scheduled for December 2024.

The Charity will continue to support CTAS and seek to raise funds as required.

Charity Commission Guidance

In managing the charity's activities, the Trustees have taken due notice of the Guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making.
- policy programme related investment.
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

HCF Nepal

The number of children the Charity supports through sponsorship has dropped by one to 24 children in the Kailash Home in Nepal. We no longer support any students undertaking Higher education and training.

CTAS Bhutan

Over the years the number of students resident at the CTAS school in Bhutan has increased to 200.

Fundraising

The charity is pleased to record that the following sums have been raised and distributed during the year-

- Raised the sum of £217,241
- Distributed the sum of £230.536.

The funds were distributed as follows: -

To Kailash Home in Kathmandu

- £59,844 to provide sponsorship of 24 children at the Kailash home.
- £15,834 to cover the costs of 6 children at University.
- £843 has been provided in additional Sponsor Support for individual children.
- £421 was donated for general support for the children.

To Choki Arts School in Thimpu

- £153,029 was raised and donated to the Funds for construction of a new Multi-purpose Hall.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Recognising the responsibility of maintaining Sponsorship support for the children at HCF the Charity operates a Reserve Policy, which provides financial cover in the event of a default by sponsors.,

Additional reserves are also in place to protect the charity from exposure to adverse movement in the currency exchange rate.

We work in close co-operation with M4H in Andorra and Fontana Foundation in Switzerland, and these organisations operate reserve policies aimed at ensuring that operating costs at HCF and CTAS are fully covered.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising).
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The principal sources of funding for the Charity have been individual Child Sponsorship agreements and donations from individuals and from other charitable organisations.

The Charity has been able to support its key objectives by maintaining and its register of sponsors, and by raising funds which enable it to contribute to the educational, caring and accommodation needs of HCF and CTAS.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Gerald Slater

Catherine Kerr

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

Trustee

Date

November 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Himalayan Youth Foundation UK

No (if any)
1124243

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/08/2022	To	Period end date 31/07/2023
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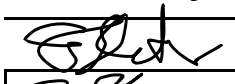
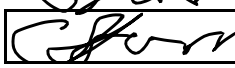
Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
HCF Child Sponsorship	35,150	-	-	35,150	-
HCF University Sponsorship	12,916	-	-	12,916	-
HCF Just Giving Donations	-	-	-	-	-
HCF Medical Fund	-	-	-	-	-
HCF General Donations	2,055	-	-	2,055	-
HCF Enterprise Fund	-	-	-	-	-
CTAS Donations	161,317	-	-	161,317	-
HCF Gift Aid Recovery	5,770			5,770	
Bank Interest	33			33	
Rounding error	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	217,241	-	-	217,241	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	217,241	-	-	217,241	-
A3 Payments					
HCF Sponsor Fees	59,844	-	-	59,844	-
HCF College fees	15,834	-	-	15,834	-
HCF Sponsor support	843	-	-	843	-
HCF Enterprise expenses	-	-	-	-	-
CTAS Donation	153,029	-	-	153,029	-
HCF Medical	-	-	-	-	-
HCF Gift Fund	421	-	-	421	-
Fees and Costs	565	-	-	565	-
Rounding error	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	230,536	-	-	230,536	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	230,536	-	-	230,536	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 13,295	-	-	- 13,295	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	50,732	-	-	50,732	-
Cash funds this year end	37,437	-	-	37,437	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Treasurer Account	31,612	-	-
	Savings account	3,844	-	-
	USD Account- converted	1,981	-	-
	Total cash funds	37,437	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	G. Slater	21/01/2024
	C. Kerr	

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Himalayan Youth Foundation UK

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st July 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1124243

Set out on pages

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**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 of the 1993 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (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 statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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.

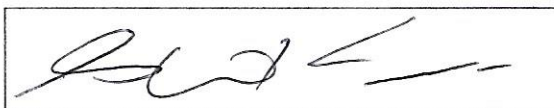
**Independent
examiner's statement**

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:
 - 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:



Date:

07/12/2023

Name:

Gary Kerr