

FRIENDS OF DELLA AND DON

England & Wales - Charity number 1129751

Details

Other names FODAD

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2009-05-20

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF RATHMALAMA, SRI LANKA AND THE SURROUNDING AREA WHO ARE VICTIMS OF THE 2004 BOXING DAY TSUNAMI, IN PARTICULAR BY THE SUPPLY OF RESOURCES TO AID THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE COMMUNITY.

Activities: FODAD's mission is to help bring a long-lasting difference to the lives of those in Ratmalana, Sri Lanka and the surrounding area, whose lives were devastated by the 2004 Tsunami, through the provision of education and skills, access to adequate healthcare, support and community facilities and meaningful, sustainable employment.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** SRI LANKA
- Sri Lanka

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£9,672	£23,089	-	-
2024-03-31	£20,781	£27,341	-	-
2023-03-31	£16,902	£32,503	-	-
2022-03-31	£30,926	£31,779	-	-
2021-03-31	£18,082	£12,449	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MELANIE SAR	Chair	
GAVIN PRIESTLEY		
SAUL VENIT		
STEPHEN RUCK		
donal gallagher		2013-10-06
lucy maycox		2013-10-06

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Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	Day 01	Month April	Year 2021	To	Day 31	Month March	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	FRIENDS OF DELLA AND DON
Other names charity is known by	FODAD
Registered charity number (if any)	1129751
Charity's principal address	24 RECTORY ROAD
	OXFORD
	OXFORDSHIRE
	Postcode OX1 4BU

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	MELANIE SAR	CHAIR		
2	DONAL GALLAGHER			
3	GAVIN PRIESTLEY			
4	STEPHEN RUCK	TREASURER		
5	SAUL VENIT			
6	LUCY MAYCOX			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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 <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	TRUST
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</small>	ELECTED BY 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.

Friends of Della and Don is a non-governmental, non-political, non-religious charity formally established in 2009. It is constituted under a trust deed dated 20 May 2009. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission. The Trust deed defines the charity's Objects as being: THE RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF RATHMALAMA, SRI LANKA AND THE SURROUNDING AREA WHO ARE VICTIMS OF THE 2004 BOXING DAY TSUNAMI, IN PARTICULAR BY THE SUPPLY OF RESOURCES TO AID THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE COMMUNITY.

Our Charity Commission registration number is 1129751.

Trustees: There were six unpaid permanent trustees during the reporting period.

Governance: Trustee meetings are held at least three times a year. Financial updates are provided at least twice a year. Decisions to grant financial assistance to our projects are subject to approval by the trustees. Monitoring of the projects is made through in-country visits and regular email, text and phone messages with contacts in country.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

FODAD's mission is to help bring a long-lasting difference to the lives of those in Ratmalana, Sri Lanka and the surrounding area, whose lives were devastated by the 2004 Tsunami, through the provision of education and skills, access to adequate healthcare, support and community facilities and meaningful, sustainable employment.

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)

EDUCATION

Encourage attendance by providing a daily nutritious meal for every child
Provide a new uniform or shoes each year
Fund extra out-of-school tuition and pay for our own after-school teachers operating from our school on the beach
Develop closer links between the school in Sri Lanka and those in the UK
Present awards for merit and attendance

HEALTHCARE

Provide funding for much needed drugs beyond the reach of most.
Distribute donated vitamins

ENTERPRISE & COMMUNITY

Establish and support a fishermen's co-operative to provide sustainable employment and income for the villagers
Support local business start-ups to generate employment opportunities

SPORT

Provide sports equipment
Host competitions and events to develop team building

INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE

On an individual basis, provide additional tuition and after-school care
Help fund drugs and treatment for those in need
Provide hardship grants for cases referred to us through the Medical Clinic and others
Other ad hoc requests for assistance

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the reporting period, no visits were made to Sri Lanka due to the continued disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic as well as environmental and economic crises. In May 2021 a cargo ship sunk off the coast of Colombo, causing Sri Lanka's worst-ever marine disaster due to the resulting chemical and plastic pollution. A fishing ban was subsequently imposed which was devastating for the livelihoods of the fishing community who were already unable to fish during lockdown. The country experienced severe food shortages in September 2021. Mass protests broke out against the government in March 2022 in response to the country's dire economic situation. Schools were open intermittently throughout the reporting period due to national lockdowns.

The charity's activities were limited by the pandemic, lockdowns and economic and political turmoil, although we were able to see the real difference the charity made in helping beneficiaries quickly during what continues to be an extremely challenging time.

These are just some of the highlights of the achievements made during the reporting period:

Livelihoods

Purchased a new fishing boat and a new engine for Udaya and other fishermen in the village. This is crucial for ensuring self-sufficiency for the village in the future.

Education

Smith, who FODAD has supported since 2005, was appointed as a permanent teacher in March 2022 after successfully completing teacher training.

Chamika, whom FODAD has known since she was young, passed her A levels and was accepted to university. Her life ambition is to be a police officer and FODAD is funding her through university.

Provided funds for a Christmas party for the children in the village in December 2021.

Individual Assistance

FODAD provided essential emergency relief for food supplies in the wake of various crises including COVID-19, the sunken cargo ship in June 2021 and the heavy rains in November 2021.

FODAD continued to pay the salaries of its teaching staff throughout the reporting period even when schools were closed.

Continued to contribute to savings accounts for all the children at the Village school and the Beach School.

Healthcare

Village toilets and shower unit deep cleaned.

The medical clinic was closed for much of the reporting period, however funds were still provided to individual beneficiaries through our partner organization in Sri Lanka, NIC.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees have agreed that they need to be notified when the Charity accounts show less than 1 years running costs available

Details of any funds materially in deficit

NIL

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.

Income sources:

Regular standing donations
One-off donations
Support from schools and other organisations
Sponsored events

Expenditure categories:

Food
Clothing and shoes
Medical costs
Contributions to salaries of teachers
Repairs to the school and general maintenance
Books and educational material
Contributions for educational & medical assistance
Support to fishermen's boats & nets
Grants for individual hardship

Section F

Other optional information

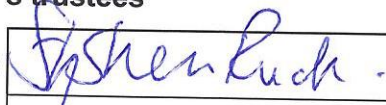
Section G

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)

Stephen Ruck

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

TREASURER

Date

28th December 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

FRIENDS OF DELLA AND DON

1129751

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/04/2021		31/03/2022

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					
Donations	26,368	-	-	26,368	-
Gift aid tax refund	4,558	-	-	4,558	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	30,926	-	-	30,926	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	30,926	-	-	30,926	-
A3 Payments					
Education	9,615	-	-	9,615	-
Healthcare and Hardship	2,045	-	-	2,045	-
Accountancy fees	444	-	-	444	-
Banking and just giving costs	218	-	-	218	-
Communications	178	-	-	178	-
Welfare, Sanitation and Medical	398	-	-	398	-
Emergency relief	14,703	-	-	14,703	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	27,600	-	-	27,600	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Enterprise	4,178	-	-	4,178	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,178	-	-	4,178	-
Total payments	31,778	-	-	31,778	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 852	-	-	- 852	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 852	-	-	- 852	-

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	Cash at bank	56,008	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	56,008	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature 	Print Name Stephen Ruck Gavin Priestley	Date of approval 05/01/2023 05/01/2023
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Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

FRIENDS OF DELLA AND DON

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31ST MARCH 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1129751

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31ST March 2022**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Dulcie Karadia F.C.C.A

Date:

05/01/2023

Name:

DULCIE KARADIA F.C.C.A

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ASSOCIATION OF CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS

Address:

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NONE