



**FRIENDS OF
ANGEL'S ORPHANAGE**
every little helps, every penny counts!

TRUSTEES REPORT to 31 May 2021

Friends of Angels Orphanage is a registered UK Charity (**1139321**) that cares for children and their carers in our children's home in Kathmandu, Nepal. It started as a 'family and friends' group after a visit to this children's home in 2009, and then, because of the need, became a registered charity.

Our philosophy has always been – we are not here for the sprint, we are here for the marathon – and we are now 13 years into our care. Unlike other children institutions, our home is a home until the children are able to leave safely; they do not have to leave at 16 years of age.

The governing document is a deed of trust and the charity is unincorporated. The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have taken this into account when carrying out their work. Likewise, risks are identified and mitigated. One of the key risks is to ensure our funds are well spent and fully accounted for and our regular visits to Nepal and working through trusted individuals known to us for many years helps to ensure this. Where possible funds are sent direct to the appropriate payee, for example, education fees are invoiced to us by the schools and settled direct to them; likewise rent on the children's home is paid direct to the landlord.

TRUSTEES and Structure

'The Friends' are managed by a board of trustees, 3 of whom go twice yearly to Nepal. in Spring and Autumn spending around 10 weeks a year there. Once again, because of Covid, this has not been possible this year. They plan to travel there again in March 2022. The current trustees that served this year are

Dr Rosa Matheson

Dr Ian Matheson

Mr Brian Mildenhall

Mrs Laurence Olnois

Mrs Anne Fisher

None of the trustees receive a salary or personal benefit from the charity. Those who travel to Nepal pay all their own expenses. The trustees keep in touch regularly.

'The Friends' are fortunate to have a network of contacts in Nepal, built-up over the years, whom they can call on for help and advice and in an emergency.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

This year has been severely affected by the restrictions of Covid both here and in Nepal. We also had a case of Covid in the house. We have had to turn to using 'online social networking' more. We have used the technology Zoom to keep in regular weekly contact

with the children. We are aware of the problems that come with 'lockdowns' and how they affect young people and the longer it went on the more they needed this contact – we even played quizzes.

Again our Newsletters have been less frequent over this year, but our Facebook updates have been more frequent as well as emails out to supporters. We work hard to keep all our supporters engaged and informed of the children's progress and the charity's activities.

FUNDS

'The Friends' raise and manage the funds to cover all the needs of children and carers. Our funds also arrive from regular or one-off donors and Monthly Supporters who decide how much they would like to donate on a monthly basis. Some supporters come from outside the UK and are known to us through personal and family contacts. The Covid restrictions have adversely affected our normal fundraising activities, but we are fortunate to have loyal individuals who create their own fundraising opportunities, such as regular marmalade and jam making to sell. We are also fortunate to have very loyal Monthly Supporters who have stayed 'the marathon' with us.

FINANCES

The trustees aim to maintain a creditable balance allowing the charity to continue to meet the expenses for at least 1 year. We also bear in mind an 'Education Fund' and a 'Pension Fund' for the 'mother' who cares for the children.

Expenditure can be grouped under the following major items: education, including modest school fees per individual as most education in Kathmandu is private, school books, exam fees and uniform; housing, including electricity and gas; food, clean water provision, clothing and household items; healthcare, including doctor's fees as there is no universal health system in Nepal, dentists' and opticians' fees; and occasional outings such as cinema and the like.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



Dr Ian Matheson

Angels Orphanage accounts for the year to 31st May 2021

Angels Orphanage Income & Expenditure

	2020-21		2019-20	
	£	£	£	£
	Income	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure
June	7,427.38	1,562.00	2,325.00	1,563.06
July	2,612.00	4,440.22	3,505.44	3,458.58
August	1,085.00	1,176.80	1,278.00	2,089.84
September	1,417.75	1,723.54	1,812.75	3,057.66
October	1,655.00	0.00	3,212.58	3,116.24
November	1,995.30	6,865.00	1,945.87	1,306.88
December	1,302.55	3,090.00	4,146.75	5,244.06
January	2,860.00	2,983.00	2,338.97	51.67
February	2,343.84	965.50	2,578.00	6,301.71
March	1,892.50	1,492.50	3,358.72	5,036.39
April	1,025.00	3,998.52	2,838.00	0.00
May	3,037.00	58.43	1,285.00	0.00
	<u>28,653.32</u>	<u>28,355.51</u>	<u>30,625.08</u>	<u>31,226.09</u>
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenditure				
UK		740.56		967.41
Nepal		27,614.95		30,258.68
		<u>28,355.51</u>		<u>31,226.09</u>

Angels Orphanage 2020-21

	£	£
	2020-21	2019-20
Opening balance	46,769.36	44,435.15
Bank UK	40.00	40.00
Bank Nepal	0.00	225.00
Cash UK	0.00	0.00
Cash Nepal	120.83	668.38
Moneygram float	-5,011.68	-2,849.00
Money loaned from FKB	<u>41,918.51</u>	<u>42,519.53</u>
Income	28,653.32	30,625.08
Expenditure	28,355.51	31,226.10
Excess income over expenditure	297.81	-601.02
Calculated closing balance	<u>42,216.32</u>	<u>41,918.51</u>
Closing balances		
Bank UK	46,182.69	46,769.36
Bank Nepal	40.00	40.00
Cash £	0.00	0.00
Cash nrs	0.00	0.00
Money gram float	120.83	120.83
Money loaned from FKBs	<u>-4,127.20</u>	<u>-5,011.68</u>
	<u>42,216.32</u>	<u>41,918.51</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial statement of the Friends of Angels Orphanage for the year ended 31st May 2021.

Respective responsibilities

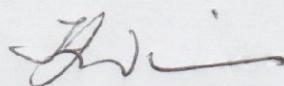
The charity is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that the audit requirement of Section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43 (7) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions of 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 financial statements, and seeking any explanations 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 financial statements.

Independent Examiner's statement.

In connection with my examination of the charity funds, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the charity, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



Independent Examiner

13 February 2022

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