



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	Sep	2024		31	Aug	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Zenith Education
Other names charity is known by	n/a
Registered charity number (if any)	1157788
Charity's principal address	c/o Lelliott & Co Accountants, Heath Place, Ash Grove, Bognor Regis, Chichester West Sussex Postcode PO22 9SL

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	Benedict Charles Marsh	Chair		
2	Emma Marsh	Trustee		
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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

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 (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Articles of Association
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the 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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

For the public benefit to advance the education (including social and physical training) of children in the developing world, in particular but not exclusively, in India, in such ways as the charity trustees think fit.

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)

Aims & Purpose:

After being established initially to support just one school, Zenith Education now supports over twenty educational projects. This significantly improves the lives and education of the socio-economically impoverished children who attend them.

Achievements:

Many children are trapped in the well documented 'Poverty Cycle'. It is nearly impossible for families to escape this cycle without outside intervention.

Zenith Education continues to work through its expanding group of schools to provide children with an education. Education is recognised as one of the most important factors in allowing individuals to escape poverty. Zenith is also very proud to provide at least one working toilet in every school and has been involved with funding construction of toilets, in schools where none was available. Open-air defecation continues to be a huge challenge in India and across the developing world; all Zenith Group children have access to a toilet and clean water during the school day.

Public Benefit:

The Trustees, when making decisions, have had due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

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

The original two clusters of schools in India are now well-established and to some extent self-sustaining and semi-independent. The Trustees remain closely involved, speaking to the Group leaders at least monthly, offering advice and comment on strategic direction for the Group and schools. However, there are no existing or future plans for significant investment at our projects in India, which the Trustees feel have scaled to optimum size and efficiency. By way of benchmarking, the first Zenith Education school had a cohort of 150 students in 2012; it is now operating at full capacity with 1250 students.

The success of the model in Mumbai, has enabled the Trustees to focus time and resources on new projects in Nepal and Sri Lanka.

In Nepal, Zenith Education has continued construction works at its project in Kavre, a remote community six hours from Kathmandu. Zenith Education's partnership with CCL Global has been very successful and the Trustees were delighted that CCL decided to continue their financial support for the reporting period. This has enabled the construction of new dormitory facilities for the girls and complete renovation of a dining building at the hostel. This work is completed.

In Kathmandu, Zenith Education supported the upgrade of a playground at a city preschool, providing astroturf and play equipment. This not only enriched the play for the children, it has significantly improved safety.

Zenith Education has continued its support for blind youth in Kathmandu, with further improvements at its partner organisation's facilities in the south of the city. Zenith Education committed to expanding the premises and has doubled the size of the existing facility. Zenith Education also funded critical specialist technology for the blind youth; these items included braille typewriters, printers and copiers, plus specialist technology allowing the young people to access and utilise social media for small-scale commercial activities.

In Sri Lanka, the Trustees continued improving the two newest projects. At the small rural school, Zenith Education has provided stationery equipment and education materials for the academic year. The trustees also managed to secure support from local community groups who funded projectors, screens and a PA system, greatly improving the children's learning. When viewing online resources, the children had previously had to crowd around a teacher's mobile phone.

The Trustees also committed to the construction of an outdoor learning area at a community centre for children, young people and women in central Galle. The learning area is a well-resourced, engaging and stimulating safe space, for children to learn informally, as well as receive structured teaching.

The Trustees remain positive about the future.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Wherever possible, funds are allocated to a specific cost or project; if no such project is pending, funds are retained by the charity for future use.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

n/a

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.

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)

Benedict Charles Marsh

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

19/05/26



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Zenith Education

1157788

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01-Sep-24


To

31-Aug-25

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	43,740		-	43,740	12,737
Interest	4,966	-	-	4,966	2,297
Gift Aid	10,261	-	-	10,261	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	58,967	-	-	58,967	15,034
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	58,967	-	-	58,967	15,034
A3 Payments					
Donations paid	10,697	-	-	10,697	15,363
Cost of charitable activities (incl travel)	6,403	-	-	6,403	9,646
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	17,100	-	-	17,100	25,009
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,100	-	-	17,100	25,009
Net of receipts/(payments)	41,867	-	-	41,867	- 9,975
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	98,997	6,315	-	105,312	115,287
Cash funds this year end	140,864	6,315	-	147,179	105,312

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	From last year	98,997	6,315	-
	Balance this year	41,867	-	-
	Balance this year			-
	Total cash funds	140,864	6,315	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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
			Benedict Charles Marsh	03/11/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Zenith Education

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 August 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1157788

Set out on pages

1 to 2

Remember to include the page numbers if added.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date:

11/02/2026

Name:

Rob Lelliott

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

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.