



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
From 1 April 2022 To 31 March 2023
Period end date

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name The Nepal Development Association

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1183441

Charity's principal address 18 Broadfields Harpenden Herts

Postcode AL5 2HJ

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	Mr Stephen John Hammersley	Chair	whole year	
2	Mrs Susan Elizabeth Hammersley		whole year	
3	Dr Nicola Jayne van der Westhuyzen		whole year	
4	Mr Jacques William van der Westhuyzen		whole year	

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

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
None	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
None		

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

None

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)	As a Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the 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 trustees are mindful of managing risks.

Our primary risk management procedures are to only fund work that we know personally and is being delivered by people we know. We also seek independent reports from people that we know to attest to the impact of the work; that it is well governed and that issues such as Safeguarding are properly overseen and managed.

Grant activity has stayed at expected given the budgets received and approved from the work in Nepal.

The grants to Veritas work in Nepal (integral mission training) have ceased.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

For the public benefit, the relief and assistance of people in need in Nepal who are victims of economic or social disadvantage or catastrophe and advancing the education of these people for the public benefit by making grants and awards to organisations that provide safe housing and education and by making grants and awards to students or other people in full time education.

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)

In governing the charity and planning its activities the trustees are aware of and give regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

The trustees make grants to organisations that provide relief and assistance for people in Nepal who are the victims of social disadvantage.

In the year that this report covers, trustees continued to make grants to organisations they know personally and that have a track record in identifying people who are the victims of social disadvantage and providing them with safety and education.

Grants were made to a hostel based in Pokhara, Nepal that takes in children who are subject to abuse and cruelty and whose families (if they exist) are unable to look after them. The children are provided with good quality accommodation, a safe family environment and a good education. The hostel is registered with the Nepali authorities and its activities are overseen by a committee, independent from the hostel workers, drawn from local churches. During the year trustees have had video calls with the home manager and shared information with medical missionaries from Switzerland who co-fund the work.

As a result of these grants:

- Young people who otherwise would have been at risk have been kept safe
- Young people have been freed from cruel and abusive situations.
- Twenty-two young people have progressed their education within the Nepal system with their fees paid for

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

The trustees have engaged with the Board of the hostel with a view to the hostel operating with less dependency on external funding.

The trustees are pleased that the Board of the hostel have a plan to transition to a community-based model of care that will be more sustainable in that it will rely less on donations from outside Nepal.

For the last few years, the Board of the hostel has not been admitting children younger than the youngest in the hostel.

The Trustees of the Nepal Development Association recognise the difficulty of this transition as there are 22 vulnerable young people directly affected by decisions. The trustees are happy that we have in place the necessary funding to allow the hostel to manage through this transition process

The trustees run the affairs of the charity so that all monies raised less bank charges are invested in charitable work. The trustees' policy on grant making is to support organisations that it knows well. Donations come from people who also know the work in Nepal through personal connections.

There are no staff employed and the trustees manage all communications with supporters and make sure that feedback on the effectiveness of the grant making is secured.

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

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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The main achievements of the charity has been to be able to continue with its grants that support work in Nepal amongst disadvantaged people.

Grants of £20,146 total were made to the hostel in Nepal (Pokhara) phased in line with the budget seen and approved by the trustees. This allowed the hostel to accommodate and educate twenty-two young people and to support some of the young people into vocational training and further education.

During the year we have also been able to talk with the hostel about how we taper our grant support as referenced in the earlier section of this report.

During the year we have been provided with regular reports and are encouraged that the hostel has been able to educate and support very vulnerable children though another challenging year.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity has no operating costs. Our reserves policy is to ensure that we have sufficient money in the bank so that together with committed donations and grants we have sufficient to cover any grants commitments made over the next twelve months.

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 source of funds are people who know the work in Nepal through personal contact with some of the (previously) UK based development workers who engaged in starting up the Nepali work. Most of the people who support the charity are associated with Christchurch Harpenden where the development workers used to worship, and which used to support the work direct before this charity was formed.

Grants are also secured on a similar basis and the Kunde Foundation has similar links to the work in Nepal.

We have not applied for grant support – support has been offered by people who know the value of the work in Nepal.

This is a grant making charity and its only administrative expense in the year are bank fees. All other expenditure goes via grants to support work amongst disadvantaged people in Nepal.


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 John Hammersley	
Position (e.g., Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	30 December 2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Nepal Developmental Association

1183441

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01-Apr-22

To

31-Mar-23

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
Voluntary Receipts					
Donations & Gift Aid	37,899	-	-	37,899	9,944
Grants - ChristChurch Harpenden	1,200	-	-	1,200	1,200
Grants - Kunde Foundation	5,000	-	-	5,000	5,000
Grants - Fred Grace Charitable Trust	-	-	-	-	770
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	44,099	-	-	44,099	16,914
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	44,099	-	-	44,099	16,914
A3 Payments					
Grants to Hostel in Nepal	20,146	-	-	20,146	18,316
Grants to Veritas College (work in Nepal)	-	-	-	-	525
Bank charges (paymenst)	137	-	-	137	225
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,283	-	-	20,283	19,066
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,283	-	-	20,283	19,066
Net of receipts/(payments)	23,816	-	-	23,816	- 2,152
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	29,116	-	-	29,116	31,268
Cash funds this year end	52,932	-	-	52,932	29,116

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	Bank Account	52,932	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	52,932	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				


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

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 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	Date of approval
	S J Hammersley	30-Dec-23



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

The Nepal Development Association

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1183441

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

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:

Date:

30/12/2023

Name:

Kevin Blackley

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

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