

THE SHANTY TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2022

THE SHANTY TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2022

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's trust deed dated 16 December 2019, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (published in October 2019).

Objectives and activities

Summary of Purposes

The relief of poverty for the public benefit particularly, but not exclusively, in Kolkata, India, by providing grants to individuals in need and/or charities or other organisations working to relieve poverty.

The trustees are confident in the public benefit as defined by the Charity Commission.

Summary of Main Activities

Crowdfunding to support projects run in Kolkata, India by Indian NGO Tiljala Society for Human and Educational Development:

1. Livelihood: business development training for destitute women seeking to take out microloans.
2. Educational Sponsorship for girls from ultra poor families through school and university.
3. After hours classes in community centres for school age children, providing remedial teaching, child protection messages/activities, sport, music and drama.
4. Emergency food and medical support for destitute families/individuals in crisis.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity

- **Reporting and Remitting.** The Shanty Trust and Tiljala SHED have established quarterly reporting. This enables The Shanty Trust to submit the necessary reports to Global Giving and other donors. Funds are remitted to Tiljala SHED quarterly based on an annual budget which is adjusted where necessary each quarter. This is working well.
- **Fundraising.** Although The Shanty Trust was not able to arrange offline fundraising events due to the continuing pandemic, donations continued to flow from online crowdfunding activities. Global Giving Foundation made two large grants of USD25,000 and USD40,000 for COVID recovery. This has provided a financial cushion to help us help Tiljala SHED weather the uncertainties of raising funds locally in India.

The Shanty Trust has built up a small revenue stream of regular giving via CAF Donate.

- **Education.** Schools remained closed in Kolkata throughout almost the whole of this period, but Tiljala SHED kept open all after-hours classes, providing 600 destitute children with the necessary education, routine and discipline throughout dark times. All this was funded by The Shanty Trust. Where necessary The Shanty Trust funded the distribution of smartphones to enable secondary school pupils to access online classes. The Shanty Trust continues to provide data top-ups for these youngsters.
- **Emergency Relief.** Whilst the pandemic did not cause a notable level of disease in this community (there was no testing and sickness and fever are commonplace) families struggled to survive because they were, for many months, unable to go out to work. So the bulk of Tiljala SHED's work, and The Shanty Trust's support, was devoted to the distribution of food parcels. Over 6500 parcels were distributed in 2021, each parcel providing a month's dry rations for a family. Whilst the rations were mostly provided by Indian Institutions (most notably the Azim Premji Foundation) the costs of staffing, packaging, transportation and distribution were carried by The Shanty Trust.

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- **Rights and Entitlements.** The Shanty Trust recognises the vital importance of ensuring that every beneficiary can access state benefits to which they are entitled. Within these marginalised communities where most adults are functionally illiterate and officials don't visit, people struggle even to be aware of their entitlements. So The Shanty Trust is funding a small programme led by an experienced social worker to facilitate the processes involved in acquiring the necessary documentation: identity documents, voter cards, health and life insurance, ration cards. The team also supports the creation of Self Help Groups, small credit unions for women. The SHG empowers women by giving them access to financial services. These groups also empower the members to be active within their communities: they campaign against child marriage, encourage the children to remain in education and even advocate for cleaner streets. One SHG helped to feed 60 even more destitute families in its locality during lockdown. So far the small cost of running this programme comes from the Global Giving COVID Recovery Grants. The Shanty Trust is actively looking to set up a separate funding stream or to raise unrestricted funds for this important intervention.

Financial review

Details of the financial performance for the period are set out on pages 5 to 11.

The main sources of income for The Shanty Trust are from donations made, the majority of which as noted above were received via the US based crowdfunding platform, Global Giving. In total £95,983 (2021: £56,008) was received during the period, with costs expended of £38,113 (2021: £40,906). £37,000 (2021: £39,740) of these costs were amounts distributed directly to Tiljala SHED to support their charitable work directly in India.

After expenses there is a surplus for the period of £72,972 (2021: £15,102) to be carried forward to be used in furtherance of the charity's objectives.

Risks Facing the Charity

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks

The Shanty Trust has no assets other than cash at bank, and no liabilities apart from the items included within accruals. Jane Manson is the only executive and this is a voluntary role. Because of its nature, the Trustees do not consider it necessary for the charity to hold a set level of reserves or have a set reserves policy.

Future Plans

1. To enhance profile on social media, to produce a regular newsletter for donors
2. A Trustee Visit to the Projects in Kolkata – January 2023
3. To establish a reliable funding stream for Rights and Entitlements, with a view to making the programme fully self-sustaining
4. To find seed-funding for a handicrafts training and resource centre. Ultimately Indian Government funds should be available but only after the initial training in traditional Bengali kantha stitching and other handicrafts. The building exists and belongs to Tiljala SHED but it needs renovation and conversion. Main project aim is to empower women to take their own products direct to market without the middlemen which so often makes this kind of work exploitative.

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Structure, governance and management

The Shanty Trust is registered with the Charity Commission as of 24th February 2020 (charity number 1188154). The charity is governed by its trust deed dated 16th December 2019.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

J Manson (Chair and Treasurer)

M Cassidy

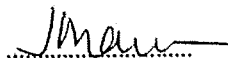
H Bratchell

E Boot

C McMurdie

New trustees are appointed via recommendation by the existing trustees of the charity.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



J Manson (Chair and Treasurer)

trustee

Dated: 1st Dec 2022

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHANTY TRUST

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Shanty Trust (the charity) for the year ended 28 February 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

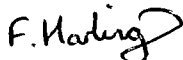
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 15/12/2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	3,305	92,678	95,983	56,008
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds	3	36	-	36	40
Charitable activities	4	1,077	37,000	38,077	40,866
Total resources expended		1,113	37,000	38,113	40,906
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		2,192	55,678	57,870	15,102
Fund balances at 1 March 2021		5,038	10,064	15,102	-
Fund balances at 28 February 2022		7,230	65,742	72,972	15,102

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022

		2022		2021	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		73,872		16,002	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(900)		(900)	
Net current assets			<u>72,972</u>		<u>15,102</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds	10		65,742		10,064
Unrestricted funds			<u>7,230</u>		<u>5,038</u>
			<u>72,972</u>		<u>15,102</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 1st December 2022



J Manson (Chair and Treasurer)
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2022

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Shanty Trust was registered with the Charity Commission on 24th February 2020. The registered charity number is 1188154.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (published in October 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Charitable activities expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services to its beneficiaries and those costs necessary to support them,

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and other expenditure not directly related to the charitable activities.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	3,305	92,678	95,983	56,008
For the year ended 28 February 2021	<u>6,204</u>	<u>49,804</u>		<u>56,008</u>

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3 Raising funds

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fundraising and publicity		
Other fundraising costs	36	40
	<u>36</u>	<u>40</u>

4 Charitable activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Grant funding of activities (see note 5)	37,000	39,740
Share of support costs (see note 6)	177	226
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	900	900
	<u>38,077</u>	<u>40,866</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	1,077	
Restricted funds	37,000	
	<u>38,077</u>	
For the year ended 28 February 2021		
Unrestricted funds		1,126
Restricted funds		39,740
		<u>40,866</u>

5 Grants payable

	2022	2021
	£	£
Grants to institutions:		
The Tiljala SHED	37,000	39,740
	<u>37,000</u>	<u>39,740</u>

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6 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Bank charges	177	-	177	226
Accountancy	-	900	900	900
	<u>177</u>	<u>900</u>	<u>1,077</u>	<u>1,126</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>177</u>	<u>900</u>	<u>1,077</u>	<u>1,126</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiners of £900 including VAT (2021: £900 including VAT).

7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

8 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>900</u>	<u>900</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2022

10 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 March 2021	Movement in funds		Balance at 28 February 2022
	£	Incoming resources	Resources expended	£
Livelihood	1,629	2,356	(2,052)	1,933
Emergency Food and Medicine	-	20,653	(18,439)	2,214
Girls Education	3,916	9,828	(3,240)	10,504
General Education	3,060	13,341	(6,598)	9,803
Covid Recovery Fund	1,459	46,500	(6,671)	41,288
	<u>10,064</u>	<u>92,678</u>	<u>(37,000)</u>	<u>65,742</u>

The above restricted funds all relate to specific projects being undertaken by a charitable organisation in India called The Tiljala SHED.

11 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year.