

THE SHANTY TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2023

THE SHANTY TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2023

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2023.

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 for 2022-23

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. **Rights and Entitlement Support.** Ensuring that all members of target communities have access to all their rights and entitlements under state and national legislatures. This includes ID cards, pensions, ration cards, health insurance and numerous schemes aimed at the ultra-poor and marginalised and especially those from minority groups and scheduled castes and tribes.
3. **Educational Sponsorship** for girls from the slums through school and into vocational training or university.
4. **After hours classes in four community centres** for school-age children, providing remedial teaching, child protection messages/activities, sport, music and drama.
5. **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.** Quarterly reporting continues to work well. An annual budget is adjusted quarter on quarter and funds are remitted on this basis. Regular meetings (via Teams) are held to ensure that the Shanty Trust is kept well abreast of developments in Kolkata and specifically within Tiljala SHED.
- **Fundraising.** Funds continue to arrive via the crowdfunding platform Global Giving. Income has dropped in this financial year but the Trustees are now working closely with a local fundraiser in Kolkata, as Tiljala SHED's future really depends on local rather than international support. This process is ongoing and beginning to bring in CSR funds from local Indian corporates.
- **Education.** The after school classes continue to be a popular and successful route out of the cycle of poverty for both boys and girls. With Shanty Trust's continued support of primary and enhanced support of secondary school pupils, we are seeing many young people achieving class X and XII passes (equivalent of GCSE and A level) and even going on to university. This was formerly unheard of in these communities. With a new cohort of literate young people we are seeing multiple benefits across the community.
- **Emergency Relief.** Whilst Tiljala SHED is mostly committed to supporting development through education, there are many families who fall into crisis through the death or illness of a breadwinner. Emergency rations are distributed on a monthly basis to such families until they are back on their feet.

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- **Rights and Entitlements.** While there has been no specific funding stream for this vital part of our work, we have found funds either through the livelihood budget or from the COVID Recovery grants to continue this work. It is the Shanty Trust's firm belief that each beneficiary should have access to all national and state entitlements. Our beneficiaries are so marginalised by location and illiteracy that they need help asserting their rights. Our team of 4 dedicated women, each working in one of our target communities, arranges meeting, training sessions and brings government officials into the communities to facilitate the applications, opening of bank accounts and distribution of passbooks. In recent weeks 2 two year grant (£20,000) has been awarded for this work by the Syncona Foundation for FY 24 and 25.
- **Trustee Visit.** Jane Manson (Chair and Treasurer) visited Tiljala SHED in January 2023, visiting all the projects and met with staff and beneficiaries across all the projects. We established a new focus for the young people as they emerge from school with recognised qualifications. From 2023 our youngsters will be encouraged to take on vocational training and enter the work force. The former emphasis on university was both expensive for the NGO but also discouraged the young people from earning a living.

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 £25,167 (2022: £95,983) was received during the period, with costs expended of £58,527 (2022: £38,113). £57,352 (2022: £37,000) 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 £39,612 (2022: £72,972) to be carried forward and 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 support the transfer of fundraising away from the UK and into India.** To ensure that Tiljala SHED manages the Global Giving account and generates a portfolio of corporate and institutional funding within India.
2. **Rights and Entitlements.** Now that specific funding has been found for this programme, we need to establish an effective reporting structure.
3. **Vocational Training and Employment.** Whilst many corporates are keen to help out and offer jobs, there needs to be training and orientation for the youngsters who have no role models or experience of the workplace to draw on. New funds will need to be found for this.

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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: 12 Dec 2023

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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 2023.

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).

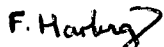
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

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: 21/12/2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	4,556	20,560	25,116	95,983
Investments	3	51	-	51	-
Total income		<u>4,607</u>	<u>20,560</u>	<u>25,167</u>	<u>95,983</u>
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds	4	<u>40</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>36</u>
Charitable activities	5	<u>1,135</u>	<u>57,352</u>	<u>58,487</u>	<u>38,077</u>
Total resources expended		<u>1,175</u>	<u>57,352</u>	<u>58,527</u>	<u>38,113</u>
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		3,432	(36,792)	(33,360)	57,870
Gross transfers between funds		<u>(4,084)</u>	<u>4,084</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds		(652)	(32,708)	(33,360)	57,870
Fund balances at 1 March 2022		<u>7,230</u>	<u>65,742</u>	<u>72,972</u>	<u>15,102</u>
Fund balances at 28 February 2023		<u><u>6,578</u></u>	<u><u>33,034</u></u>	<u><u>39,612</u></u>	<u><u>72,972</u></u>

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 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		40,572		73,872	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(960)		(900)	
Net current assets			39,612		72,972
Income funds					
Restricted funds	11		33,034		65,742
Unrestricted funds			6,578		7,230
			39,612		72,972

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 12 Dec 2023



J Manson (Chair and Treasurer)
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2023

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 2023

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 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	4,556	20,560	25,116	95,983
For the year ended 28 February 2022	3,305	92,678		95,983

3 Investments

	2023	2022
	£	£
Interest receivable	51	-

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4 Raising funds

	2023	2022
	£	£
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>		
Other fundraising costs	40	36
	<u>40</u>	<u>36</u>

5 Charitable activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Grant funding of activities (see note 6)	57,352	37,000
Share of support costs (see note 7)	175	177
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	960	900
	<u>58,487</u>	<u>38,077</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	1,135	
Restricted funds	57,352	
	<u>58,487</u>	
For the year ended 28 February 2022		
Unrestricted funds		1,077
Restricted funds		37,000
		<u>38,077</u>

6 Grants payable

	2023	2022
	£	£
Grants to institutions:		
The Tiljala SHED	57,352	37,000
	<u>57,352</u>	<u>37,000</u>

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7 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Bank charges	175	-	175	177
Accountancy	-	960	960	900
	<u>175</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>1,135</u>	<u>1,077</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>175</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>1,135</u>	<u>1,077</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiners of £960 including VAT (2022: £900 including VAT).

8 Trustees

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

9 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals and deferred income	<u>960</u>	<u>900</u>

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11 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:

	Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 March 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 28 February 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Livelihood	1,933	4,995	(8,847)	1,919	-
Emergency Food and Medicine	2,214	4,305	(12,455)	5,936	-
Girls Education	10,504	7,617	(6,517)	-	11,604
General Education	9,803	3,643	(29,533)	16,087	-
Covid Recovery Fund	41,288	-	-	(19,858)	21,430
	<u>65,742</u>	<u>20,560</u>	<u>(57,352)</u>	<u>4,084</u>	<u>33,034</u>

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

12 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year.