

NAKAYOSHI KAI - THE JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1212136

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2025-02-13

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE AIMS OF THE CIO ARE TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN PRIMARILY UNDER STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE BY ENCOURAGING PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND AND PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THEIR CHILDREN THROUGH COMMUNITY GROUPS AND BY: (1) OFFERING APPROPRIATE PLAY, EDUCATION AND CARE FACILITIES, FAMILY LEARNING AND EXTENDED HOURS GROUPS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT OF PARENTS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF SUCH GROUPS, ENSURING THAT SUCH GROUPS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN WHATEVER THEIR RACE, CULTURE, RELIGION, MEANS OR ABILITY; (2) ENCOURAGING THE STUDY OF THE NEEDS OF SUCH CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND PROMOTING PUBLIC INTEREST IN AND RECOGNITION OF SUCH NEEDS IN THE LOCAL AREAS; AND (3) INSTIGATING AND ADHERING TO AND FURTHERING THE AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING ALLIANCE.

Activities: Our activities include childbirth classes, toddler groups, and Japanese literacy classes (hiragana, katakana, and kanji) for primary school children. We also run a support group for parents of children with school refusal or mild developmental disorders.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin

Geography

- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£20,497	£18,581	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Yukiko Lorenzo	Chair	2024-11-14
KAY LAURIE		1995-07-20
Mineko Sasano		2025-02-13

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Accounts

NAKAYOSHI KAI - THE JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GROUP CIO

Registered Charity Number: 1212136

Reporting period: 13 February 2025 – 31 December 2025

Trustees' Annual Report

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: NAKAYOSHI KAI - THE JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GROUP CIO

Legal Form: Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Country of Registration: England and Wales

The trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2025.

Trustees

Yukiko Lorenzo - Chair

KAY LAURIE

Mineko Sasano

Objectives and Activities

NAKAYOSHI KAI – THE JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GROUP CIO exists to prevent loneliness and social isolation among Japanese residents in the United Kingdom, particularly families and parents, through social events, parenting support, and community activities. The charity also aims to preserve and promote Japanese language and culture within the UK.

To achieve these objectives, the charity organises regular social gatherings, cultural events, parenting support activities, and opportunities for friendship and mutual support among members of the community.

Through these activities, the charity helps individuals who may experience loneliness or isolation to gain confidence, build meaningful social connections, and become more engaged within their local communities in the United Kingdom.

The charity also promotes Japanese language and culture through its activities, contributing to greater cultural understanding and strengthening friendship between Japan and the United Kingdom.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The charity exists to benefit individuals connected to Japan and Japanese culture living in the United Kingdom. This includes Japanese residents, individuals with Japanese heritage (such as those with a Japanese parent, grandparent, or spouse), as well as individuals and families without Japanese heritage who have an interest in Japan, are planning to live in Japan, or wish to engage with Japanese language and culture.

Through its activities, the charity provides opportunities for social interaction, peer support, and community engagement, helping to reduce loneliness and social isolation and improve wellbeing.

The charity also promotes cultural exchange between Japan and the United Kingdom by sharing Japanese language and culture with the wider community. The trustees believe that these activities provide clear public benefit both to participants and to the wider society.

Structure, Governance and Management

NAKAYOSHI KAI - THE JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GROUP CIO is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered by the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 13 February 2025 and operates in accordance with its Constitution.

Trustees are recruited for their commitment to the mission of the charity and for their skills relevant to achieving its objectives. Trustees meet regularly to consider public benefit obligations, assess risks, agree plans, monitor implementation, and review progress against objectives. Meetings are held in person or virtually.

Financial Review

During the year, the charity received income from membership fees, donations, and fundraising activities. These funds were used to support the charity's activities, including social events, community support programmes, and administrative costs.

The charity's total income for the year was £20497.10.

Total expenditure amounted to £18580.75, resulting in net funds of £1916.35 for the year.

At the year end, the charity held total funds of £22,364.57, all of which were unrestricted funds. These funds are held in the charity's bank accounts and are available to support future activities and ensure the ongoing financial stability of the charity.

The trustees are satisfied with the financial position of the charity and consider that it has sufficient resources to continue its activities in the foreseeable future.

Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to maintain sufficient unrestricted reserves to ensure the continued operation of the charity and to meet any unforeseen expenditure.

Given the size and nature of the charity, the trustees consider the current level of reserves to be appropriate to support ongoing activities and provide financial stability.

Statement on Liabilities

The trustees confirm that the charity had no material liabilities outstanding at the year end.

Plans for the Future

The charity plans to further develop and expand its activities in order to reach a wider number of individuals connected to Japan and Japanese culture who may be experiencing loneliness or social isolation.

In the coming years, the trustees aim to increase the frequency and variety of social and cultural events, enabling more people to access opportunities for friendship, peer support, and community engagement.

The charity also intends to strengthen cultural exchange between Japan and the United Kingdom by promoting Japanese language and culture more widely within local communities.

The trustees remain committed to ensuring that the charity grows in a sustainable way while maintaining its core focus on wellbeing, inclusion, and community connection.

Trustees' Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved this Trustees' Annual Report and confirm compliance with their duties under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011.

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Name: Yukiko Lorenzo (Trustee)



Date: 10th July 2026



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

13/02/2025

To

31/12/2025

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					
Donation	2,026	-	-	2,026	-
Charitable activities	8,438	-	-	8,438	-
Fundraising	9,849	-	-	9,849	-
Interest on Bank Account	184	-	-	184	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	20,497	-	-	20,497	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	20,497	-	-	20,497	-
A3 Payments					
Cost of Charitable activities	13,628	-	-	13,628	-
Cost of Fundraising	4,953	-	-	4,953	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	18,581	-	-	18,581	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	18,581	-	-	18,581	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,916	-	-	1,916	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	20,449	-	-	20,449	-
Cash funds this year end	22,365	-	-	22,365	-

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	General Fund	22,365	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,365	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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
<i>Yukiko Lorenzo</i>	Yukiko Lorenzo	10/07/2026