

LITTLE SHERPA (SCOTLAND)

SC047634

Year to 31-Jul-24

INCOME

2023-24

	£
Small Donations	1495.00
Events	5525.18
Presentations	4069.86
Large Donations	14165.48
Refund	6.50
HMRC	9193.45
Total	34455.47

EXPENDITURE

Little Sherpa Nepal polytunnel	848.43
Laminator and pouches	63.93
Memory card case and index cards	58.00
Support for Nepali paraolympic athlete	682.19
Little Sherpa Nepal Clothing	2060.90
Design new logo	20.00
Vistaprint (posters for events)	183.47
Emirates	5587.82
Total	9504.74

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Little Sherpa(Scotland)

Report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2024

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11, of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the account

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of our examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name of independent examiner :

[REDACTED]

Date : 24 March 2025

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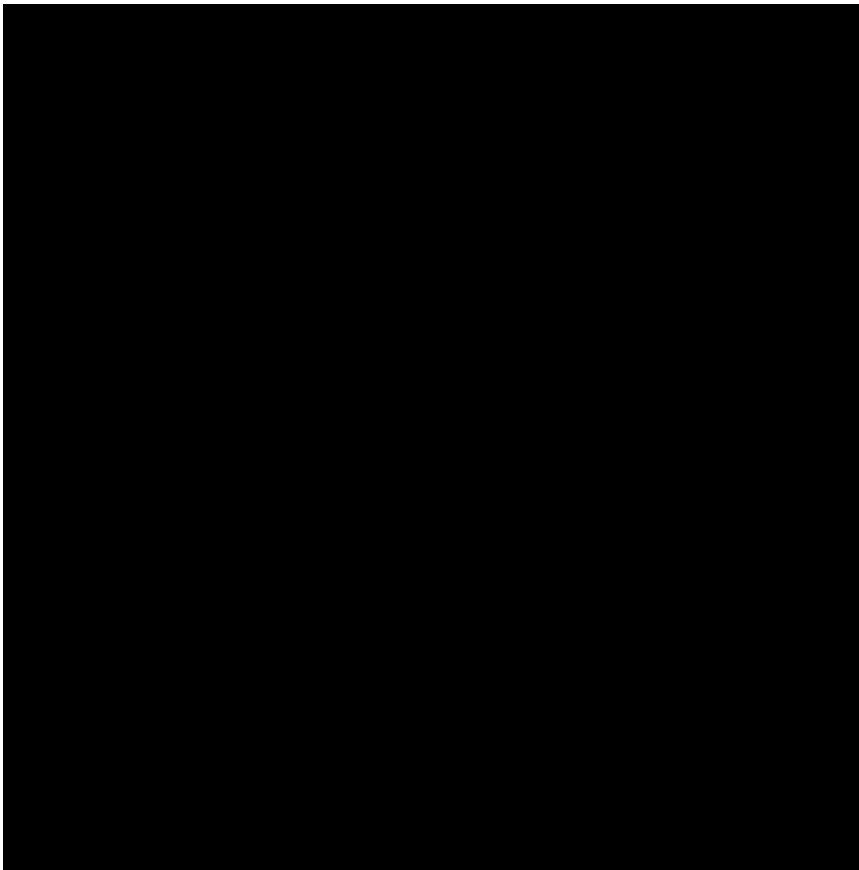
Signed :



Little Sherpa (Scotland)

Trustees' Annual Report

31.07.23 to 31.07.24





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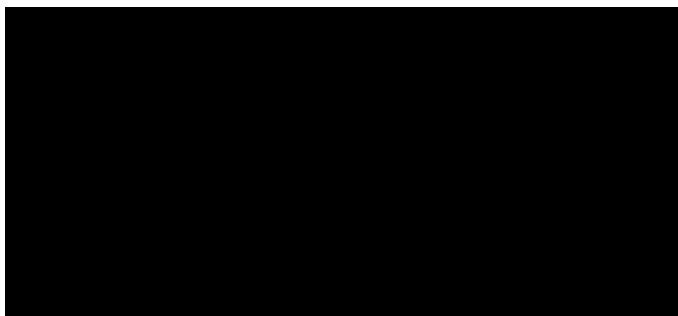
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Charity Trustees

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Objectives and activities

Initially the charity was set up to support victims of the avalanche and earthquake in Nepal in 2014/15 through a network of local residents in the village of Phortse. It has since developed into supporting and preserving the lives and culture of the Sherpa people via building projects, health care projects and educational support in the Solu Khumbu and raising awareness of the Sherpa culture across the globe.

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Constitution

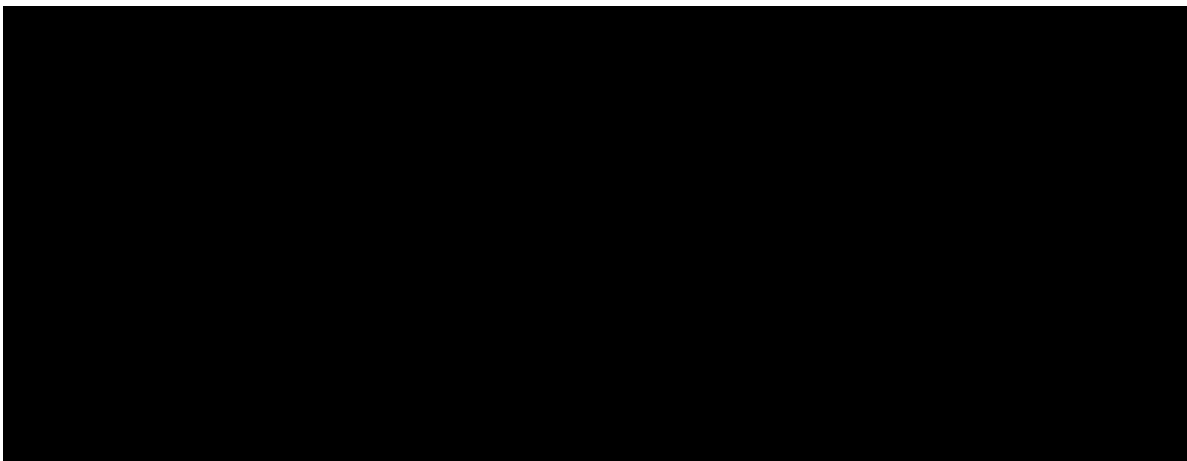
Trustee recruitment and appointment

No change

Achievements and performance

- An increase in requests for presentations resulted in increased income for the charity.
- We were asked to put on an exhibition of Sherpa culture at The Explorers' Garden at Pitlochry Festival Theatre and show our film, "Sherpas Speak".
- Renowned author Fiona Valpy's novel, "The Sky Beneath Us", was released with 10% of the profits donated to the charity
- Disabled Nepali athlete, [REDACTED] was sponsored to go to the Asian Games.
- Warm, insulated clothing was provided for locals.
- A project to build polytunnels in Phortse village was started in order that the locals can grow more varied crops. Initial materials have been delivered to site.
- We continued to provide scholarships at Phortse Primary School.
- We were asked to organise a trek to Everest Base Camp for a group of Scots suffering from traumatic brain injuries. This will raise both awareness of, and reputation for, the charity as well as considerable funds.

These projects comply with the charity's aims of supporting and preserving the lives and culture of the Sherpa people in the Solu Khumbu.



Financial review

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Having been involved in supporting communities in adverse situations like avalanches, earthquakes and floods, we have decided to aim to have £25000 in reserve so we can help immediately.

This year we have almost doubled that figure as it has been problematic to source materials and competent builders in order to construct the size of polytunnels that we have planned for Phortse.

The age of the community hall in Phortse requires the use of very specific stone to repair it. This has been very difficult to transport to the village.

Details of any deficit

None

Donated facilities and services

None

Future plans

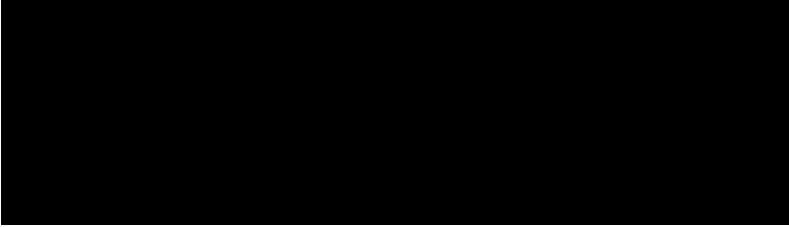
- Progress with polytunnels
- Progress on rebuilding of community hall
- Purchase of 60 sets of monk's robes for Tengboche Monastery
- Purchase of clothing for 55 nuns in Thame nunnery
- Provision of scholarships for primary school children attending school in Namche Bazaar
- Provision of iPads to young people in Namche Bazaar school and Tengboche Monastery
- Support for the elderly in any of the traditional Sherpa villages by facilitating a "meals on wheels" project and providing insulated clothing

Additional information

This year has seen the charity be lucky enough to have TV and radio presenter and author, Cameron McNeish, and best-selling author, Fiona Valpy, agree to become patrons.

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Chairperson

23.04.25