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Office of the Scottish **Charity Regulator**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	1	Jan	2024	To	31	Dec	2024

Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Likhubula Partnership
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	**SC 38877**
Charity's principal address	McLean and Stewart, Solicitors and Estate Agents 51/53 High Street Dunblane Stirlingshire **Postcode FK15 0EG**

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	[redacted]			
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Trustees are responsible for the activities of the Steering Group, including expenditure approvals, annual reviews, progress and effectiveness.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Trustees are appointed from members of the community who support the work of the Partnership and serve on the Committee. They are vetted by the Committee and approved by the existing Trustees.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To improve the education, health and well-being of the inhabitants of Likhubula, Malawi.
To create and develop a close relationship between the two communities.
To initiate and fund sustainable projects aimed at relieving poverty and deprivation.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

1. Funding of secondary school and tertiary college bursaries
2. Improving communication between the two communities
3. Supporting agricultural self-sufficiency through community-led initiatives including the supply of fertiliser to enhance crop growth.

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period	Bursaries awarded to 20 secondary pupils and 3 tertiary students. Bursars supplied with stationary, books, solar lamps, sanitary wear and maize. Updated curricular text books provided for the Likhubula Dunblane Bursary Library. Payment for the repair and maintenance of Likhubula computer to ensure regular and efficient communication between committees. Effective use of social media allowing regular communication between the communities. Successful fundraising ensuring an ability to meet financial commitments and add value to existing projects. Fundraising included a school cross-country run which raised £1,700 for bursaries, a University Christmas Fayre which raise £745 for Partnership funds and a Coffee Morning which raised £1,269. Liaison with local schools and churches has continued. Liaison with the local Boys Brigade who have helped with fundraising and raising awarareness of the needs of Likhubula. Liaison between The Dunblane Guild and Likhubula Mvano to support needy families in Likhubula. 65 beneficiaries of fertiliser to improve crops. Encouragement has been given to explore a move from artificial fertiliser to more sustainable forms of soil enrichment in the Likhubula area.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	Reserves are held to support: • A 4 year rolling programme of school and college bursaries • Provision of fertiliser and maize • Emergency situations arising from climate change.
Details of any deficit	None
Donated facilities and services (if any)	

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Other optional information

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) [redacted]

Full name(s)

Position (e.g. Chair) Secretary

Date 27th June 2025

[redacted]

27/06/2025

The Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR)

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To whom it may concern

Dear Sir/Madam

As Secretary for the Likhubula Partnership (Charity no. SC 38877), I enclose copies of:

- the Annual Financial Accounts for 2024, including the External Scrutiny Report,
- the Trustees Annual Report.

Yours faithfully

[redacted]

THE LIKHUBULA PARTNERSHIP

A Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024

Charity number SCO 38877

THE LIKHUBULA PARTNERSHIP

Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Balances

year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
RECEIPTS					
Donations from individuals		8,833	0	8,833	6,430
Gift Aid		1,513	0	1,513	1,401
Committee fund raising		1,469	0	1,469	2,189
Cyclone Freddie fund appeal	3	0	0	0	1,168
General Donation	3	1,446	2,270	3,716	2,514
Total receipts		13,261	2,270	15,531	13,702
PAYMENTS					
Charitable Activities:					
Communications with Malawi		900	0	900	232
Charitable donations to Malawi	4	8,277	2,270	10,547	10,690
Malawi visit 2023		0	0	0	1,155
Sub-total		*9,177*	*2,270*	*11,447*	*12,077*
Cost of generating funds:					
Governance costs	2	75	0	75	130
Fund raising expenses		0	0	0	100
Sub-total		*75*	*0*	*75*	*230*
Total payments		9,252	2,270	11,522	12,307
Net receipts (payments)		4,009	0	4,009	1,395

Statement of Balances

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Cash at bank brought forward		4,704	0	4,704	3,309
Net receipts (payments)		4,009	0	4,009	1,395
Cash at bank carried forward	5	8,713	0	8,713	4,704

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 9 June 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Director [redacted]

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 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) (a) to (c) 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 accounts.

Independent examiner's statement
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention 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 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: [redacted]

Address: [redacted]

Date: 24/2/25

Notes to the Accounts

1. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below.

(a) Basis of accounting
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities, 2005.

(b) Fund accounting

- Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

(c) Receipts and Payments
The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis. Receipts and payments are accounted for in the year that they are banked.

2. Governance Costs

None of the trustees' were paid any remuneration, or claimed any expenses.

3. Income - Donations

General Donations	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Guild	-	200	200
Dunblane High school – bursaries	-	1,770	1,770
Iona Family group	200	-	200
St Mary's Church – harvest appeal	417	-	417
Menzies – for BB Malawi trip	-	300	300
Christmas Fayre	745	-	745
Miscellaneous	84	-	84
Total donations	***1,446***	**2,270**	***3,716***

4. Charitable Donations to Malawi

Expenditure	2024	2023
Bursaries – secondary	4,870	5,275
Bursaries – tertiary	2,377	1,970
Fertiliser	2,500	2,000
Likhubula guild/ Mvano	200	100
Cyclone Freddie support	0	1,200
Textbooks for schools	300	0
Tools for burser	0	145
Donation for BB Malawi trip 2025	300	0
Total	**10,547**	**10,690**

5. Restricted Reserves

	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Carried forward £
Dunblane high school - bursaries	-	1,770	-1,770	-
Dunblane Guild	-	200	-200	-
Donation for BBs Malawi trip 2025	-	300	-300	-
Total	**-**	***2,270***	***-2,270***	**-**

6. Commitments

There are no legal financial commitments as at 31 December 2024. There is however, an expectation that we will continue to fund existing bursaries.