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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	Dec	2024	To	30	Nov	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Khumbu Sherpa Project
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC 050559
Charity's principal address	c/o Braemar Mountain Sports
	Invercauld Road
	Braemar
	Postcode AB35 5YP

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	Colin Bruce			
2	Kirsty Bruce			
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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

Constitution

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To advance culture, arts and heritage in Nepal and the Himalayas, by preserving traditional buildings whose owners cannot afford this preservation, promoting traditional architecture and skills, and improving standards through modern means and training. To advance environmental protection and improvement in Nepal and the Himalayan mountains. To prevent or relieve poverty in Nepal and the Himalayan mountains, including through education and support to improve the ability of people living there to earn a living. To relieve those in need by reason of financial hardship.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

During the year, the charity assisted with basic fire training and gas safety in Lukla, a major tourist town in the Everest region. This is a considerable task as awareness of carbon monoxide poisoning in gas powered showers remains low.

At higher elevations, fatalities can occur due to a lack of available oxygen. The charity has sourced a free supply of oxygen, together with training, which is used for humanitarian purposes.

The charity also provided safety improvements including safety audits and smoke alarm installations at Lukla school. Training of the Lukla fire and rescue crew continued with emphasis on crash rescue, trauma care and firefighting. Higher up, fire safety and first aid in Namche, Pangboche and Dingboche were also provided.

During the summer, donations of safety equipment were collected for Nepal from a number of Scottish mountain rescue teams. Much of this is now in use in Khumbu.

Autumn is the main trekking season and residents have limited time to attend safety training, and so multiple short evening sessions were undertaken with great success. The charity continues to work alongside Fire Aid with community trainers and village helipad safety being key priorities.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees are satisfied there are enough reserves to undertake the agreed activities.

Details of any deficit

None

Donated facilities and services (if any)

None

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) Colin DP Bruce	
Full name(s) COLIN DAVID PATTERSON BRUCE	
Position (e.g. Chair) Chair	
Date 28 Aug 20	