TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

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# TRUSTEES AND OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

#### Aims and policies

The primary objectives of the Dzogchen Beara Trust are:

To provide a meditation and retreat centre at Garranes, Allihies, West Cork, for the advancement, promotion and preservation of the Buddhist tradition.

To teach and train in the care of the dying, to provide active support for the bereaved and to promote an understanding of death.

To promote where possible closer relations, greater understanding and mutual respect between Buddhism and other great world faiths following the example set by His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama.

To provide support for the community to practice at the centre.

#### Dzogchen Beara offers:

A Public Programme of weekend courses and retreats that includes student led weekends offering an introduction to meditation, loving-kindness meditation and compassion practices. Weekend and longer retreats led by Sogyal Rinpoche and other eminent Tibetan masters. Long term and short term personal retreats.

A Welcome Centre, including shop and tearoom and accommodation, which are rented to visitors who attend events and wish to take quiet breaks.

#### Organisation

Dzogchen Beara Trust was constituted by Trust Deed on 8th August 1992. The Trust's Spiritual Director is responsible for supervising and authorising the spiritual activities of the Trust. The Spiritual Director is the Venerable Lama Sogyal Rinpoche.

The Spiritual Director nominates all Trustees. The day-to-day operations of Dzogchen Beara are the responsibility of the management team.

Rigpa International, based in France, oversees the Rigpa centres worldwide. Regular financial reports are sent to the International Finance Board for review. The International Finance Board also approves all major capital expenditure projects and provides support to management teams.

## **Trustee Responsibilities**

The Board of Trustees is required to prepare financial statements, which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs and of its income and expenditure for the year. In preparing the financial statements, the Board of Trustees is required to select suitable accounting policies, to apply them consistently, and to make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity. To ensure that proper books and records are kept, the charity has employed appropriately qualified personnel and has maintained appropriate computerised accounting systems. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

#### Review of activities

### **Dzogchen Beara operations**

The Welcome Centre: the shift into providing tearoom/gift shop is proving to be a very positive move. We will continue to develop the cafe theme and all efforts will be placed into making it a bigger income resource. The Public Programme is increased, we provide a greater amount of Events/Retreats and also continue with the Free Spirit Events.

## Spiritual care building

Matters remain outstanding regarding the professional design team and the Trust and independent professional advice was commissioned to clarify issues of performance and liability. It was determined that we should proceed through the Courts and we currently await a date for same. We have supplied our Solicitors with every document they requested and are currently awaiting court date.

## Temple project Ireland

The Trust obtained updated cost estimate for the temple with a revised figure of €1.8 million (early 2015).

The go ahead to "Start Building" came in June 2015 and the ground works started in November 2015. Beara Building Ltd, were awarded the contract. The ground works were completed in April 2016 and we achieved Roof Level late 2016. We are currently reviewing the cost for next phase in the build.

## Development

We have continued to upgrade all accommodation in Dzogchen Beara, We will maintain our Cottages, Hostel and Care Centre to the highest level. We have renewed our association with Failte Ireland, with the Welcome Standard for Accommodation, ensuring that we are committed to maintaining high standards and practices throughout our business.

#### **Taxation status**

Dzogchen Beara Trust has been granted charitable status under Sections 1094 and 1095 of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997.

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Patrick Plunkett

Date: 26/02/19

## ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

The financial statements are prepared on a historical cost accounting basis with all fixed assets valued a cost or value at time of donation.

Income from public programme events, courses, accommodation, bookshop activities and donations are recorded upon receipt. Income from long-term retreats is based upon invoiced amount spread over the period of the retreat.

All expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis. The irrecoverable amount of VAT is included in the item of expense to which it relates,

#### Stock

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost, or net realisable value. Cost represents the invoiced price of the goods, including irrecoverable VAT.

#### **Fixed assets**

Fixed Assets are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at such rates as will write off the cost of the assets over the period of their expected useful lives. Principal rates of depreciation are as follows:

Freehold Land	0%
Freehold Buildings	0%-2%
Motor Vehicles	20%
Fixtures and Fittings	12.5%-20%
Equipment	20%-25%
Assets under Construction	0%

Assets under construction, represents the costs incurred in the building of new assets or upgrading existing assets. The total cost, where reflecting fair value, is transferred to the relevant asset category and depreciation charged upon completion of construction.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF DZOGCHEN BEARA TRUST FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

We have audited the financial statements on pages 9 to 12 of Dzogchen Beara Trust for the year ended 31st December 2017 which comprise the income statement, the balance sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the Trustees, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trust and the Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the statement of Trustees' Responsibilities the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the accounting policies in all material respects and present the state of affairs and results of the Trust in accordance therewith. We state whether we have obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit and whether the financial statements are in agreement with the books of account. We also report to you our opinion as to whether the Trust has kept proper books of account.

## Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the Trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Trust's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion, we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF DZOGCHEN BEARA TRUST FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

## **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements have been properly prepared in all material respects in accordance with the accounting policies and present the state of the Trust's affairs as at 31st December 2017 and of its surplus for the year then ended.

We have obtained all the information and explanations that we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Trust. The financial statements are in agreement with the books of account.

Crowleys DFK Unlimited Company Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors 5 Lapps Quay Cork

Date:

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

	General Funds 2017	Restricted Funds 2017	Total DzB Trust 2017	Total DzB Trust 2016
	€	€	€	€
Income				
Retreats, Programme & Related Activities	283,583	-	283,583	319,393
Membership	226	-	226	1,570
Accommodation	121,365	_	121,365	118,189
General Donations	70,864		70,864	67,792
Restricted Funds Donations	30,968	649,580	680,547	702,904
Appeals and Donations: DzB Dev Fund OnLine		-	-	10
Book Shop Net	171,464	-	171,464	171,217
Contribution from Catering	83,860	_	83,860	81,254
Contrib. for Central Costs	34,073	-	34,073	44,247
Deposit Interest	34	-	34	163
Rent Receivable	15,788	-	15,788	17,722
Other Income	10,866	-	10,866	10,404
Special Practice Requests	-	-	-	5
Total Income	823,091	649,580	1,472,671	1,534,870
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Expenditure				
Retreats Programme & Related Activities	34,025	-	34,025	34,654
Fund raising	2,765	_	2,765	2,152
Staff Expenditure	409,495	-	409,495	324,178
Shop Expenditure	65,531	-	65,531	62,789
Office Costs	51,510	=	51,510	54,081
Catering expenses	89,599		89,599	93,762
Rent and Insurance	42,639	=	42,639	44,810
Site and Accommodation	77,659	-	77,659	76,603
General Practice Offerings	466	_	466	108
Bank Charges and Interest	16,356	-	16.356	11,541
Audit Fees	6,150	=	6,150	12,689
Legal and Professional Fees	- 59,462		59,462	34,349
Depreciation	46,800	88,227	135,027	124,371
Donations to Other Organisations	25,210	· -	25,210	25,721
Impairment - Spritual Care Building	-	_	-	-
Fund Distribution		-	_	
Total Expenditure	808,745	88,227	896,972	901,808
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Surplus (deficit) Income over Total Expenditure	14,347	561,353	575,699	633,062

Brendan Doyle

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Patrick Plunkett

Date: 10 April 2019

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

		2017		2016
	€	€	€	€
Fixed Assets (Note 1)		5,252,143		4,820,013
Current Assets				
Cash	13,286		17,129	
Bank Current Accounts	568,628		446,857	
Deposit Accounts	343,183		343,149	
Debtors and Prepayments	12,291		15,713	
Scholarship Fund	10,450		10,450	
Staff Loan	2,300		257	
Amounts due from Spiritual Care Ireland	117,912		117,912	
Shop Stock	21,083		16,689	
	1,089,134		968,156	_
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Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year				
Trade Creditors	21,262		22,162	
Other Creditors	- 1,231		1,922	
Deposits Held in Advance	61,272		22,968	
Accruals	26,900		121,971	
PAYE/PRSI	4,884		17,919	
Rigpa International (Note 2)	871		10,082	
Long Term Retreat Funds (Note 3)	12,662		12,079	
Long Term Retreat Deferred Income (Note 4)	59,083		30,975	
VAT (Note 5)	3,675		4,473	
Long Term Capital Grant Income (Note 6)	14,700		15,050	
Amounts due to Spiritual Care Ireland	54,477	-	-	
	258,554		259,601	•
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Creditors: Amounts Falling Due in More Than One Year				
3-year interest free loan	10,000		10,000	
- ,	268,554		269,601	•
Net Current Assets/Liabilities		820,579	200,001	698,555
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General and Restricted Funds				
General Fund (Note 7)		960 900		000.040
Spiritual Care Development Fund (Note 8)		860,899 3,457,600		828,316
Temple Project Ireland Fund (Note 8)		1,754,224		3,583,422
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## NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

Note 1.	Schedule	of Fixed	Assate

Cost	Freehold Land € 31,743	Freehold Buildings € 5,175,426	Fixtures & Fittings € 67,482	Equipment € 27,510		Assets Under Construction € 636,552	Total € 5,945,713
Additions		7,492	2,102	2,790		554,777	567,161
Disposals/Trsfs							-
Transfer between classes							_
Other Movements	-	-	-	: <del>-</del>		_	_
Total Cost	31,743	5,182,918	69,584	30,300	7,000	1,191,329	6,512,874
Accum Deprn	-	1,050,994	45,086	24,622	5,000	-	1,125,702
Provided for the Year		119,802	10,956	3,272	1,000		135,029
Other Movements	-	<u> </u>	_	-	-	<u>=</u> ,	-
Disposals/Tsfs	-	_	-	-	_	100	-
Total Accum Deprn	-	1,170,796	56,042	27,894	6,000		1,260,731
Net Book Value 31/12/17	31,743	4,012,122	13,542	2,406	1,000	1,191,329	5,252,143
Net Book Value 31/12/16	31,743	4,124,432	22,396	2,888	2,000	636,552	4,820,011

#### Note 2. Rigpa International

An annual contribution is made to the work of Rigpa International: the creditor balance represents the payment to be made at 31st December, which is due within six weeks of balance date.

## Note 3. Long Term Retreat Fund

Represents donations received specifically to support those who wish to participate in long-term retreats.

## Note 4. Long Term Retreat Deferred Income

The fee for the long-term retreats is invoiced at the beginning of each retreat and amortised over the period of the retreat. Long term retreat deferred income represents the balance of income invoiced for future months.

#### Note 5. VAT

Dzogchen Beara Welcome Centre registered for VAT with effect from 1 July 2006.

## Note 6. Long Term Capital Grant Income

Grants are credited to deferred income. Grants towards capital expenditure are released to the statement of financial activity over the expected useful life of the assets. Grants towards revenue expenditure are released to the statement of financial activity as the related expenditure is incurred.

#### NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

#### Note 7. General Funds

The General funds represent the unrestricted funds available to Dzogchen Beara from accumulated surpluses and deficits. The general fund also includes the capital valuation for fixed assets donated, the land and buildings, which constitutes the retreat centre.

	2017	2016
General fund Dzogchen Beara	€	€
Opening Balance	828,316	809,931
Deficit in Income over Expenditure	575.699	633,062
Adjustment in movement of restricted Funds	(21,545)	-
Amortisation of Reserve (Note 8.1)	135.029	88.227
Movement of Restricted Funds : Temple project (Note 8.2)	(647,394)	(688,755)
Movement of Restricted Funds : Spiritual Care Centre (Note 8.1)	(9,207)	(14,149)
Closing Balance	860,899	828,316

## Note 8. Restricted Funds

The restricted fund, represents donations and grants received for the development of the Specific projects less expenditure made for this purpose. The fund is accounted for as a separate fund within the Trust's books of account.

8.1 Spiritual care development fund Opening Balance Amortisation of Reserve (Note 7) Surplus of income over expenditure (Note 7) Closing Balance	2017 € 3,583,422 (135,029) 9,207 3,457,600	2016 € 3,657,500 (88,227) 14,149 3,583,422
8.2 Temple project Ireland Opening Balance Surplus of income over expenditure (Note 7) Closing Balance	2017 € 1,106,830 647,394 1,754,224	2016 € 418,075 688,755 1,106,830