



## PETERBOROUGH NEPALESE SOCIETY, U.K.

(SERVING FOR THE BETTERMENT OF PEOPLE)

### **Introduction**

Peterborough Nepalese Society (PNS) is a non-profit making organisation of individuals or families whose root of origin is in Nepal, and who live in and around Peterborough. PNS is registered with the Charity of England and Wales (charity number: 1169904). PNS abides by regulations outlined in its constitution.

### **Aims and Objectives:**

- To work closely with the Peterborough city council towards promoting peace, harmony and social welfare amongst people of different communities, faiths and religions.
- To help PNS members familiarise with the core British values and identify how its members can benefit from the public services.
- To run culturally-tailored events like yoga, meditation, Nepali and English language classes.
- To promote healthy life-style amongst its members by organising events such as football, badminton, and swimming.
- To be self-sustained by raising fund through organising cultural and entertainment programmes on social occasions.
- To raise small-scale funds to help educate underprivileged children in Nepal, and support the victims of natural calamities (e.g., earthquake victims, flood victims, fire victims)

### **PNS in Context**

Since the establishment of the society in September 2007, number of its members has been ever increasing. PNS operates activities focussed around its constitution and members' consensus. In order to make it functionally more active, it has got an



executive body that comprises 17 members. Their tenure lasts for two years. Mr Shiva Bhandari is the president of the current executive body.

### **Peterborough in Context**

PNS is based in Peterborough, a city rich in its culture and heritage. The main attraction of Peterborough is its cathedral which was built some 900 years ago. Peterborough is situated approximately 75 miles north of London.

### **Nepal at a Glance**

Nepal is a landlocked country situated in the lap of Himalayas in between India and China with total area of 1, 47,181 square km. It has got an amazing diversity of landscapes and cultural heritage. Eight of the world's highest mountains are in Nepal including Mount Everest, the highest peak on the earth. UNESCO has listed four world heritage sites in Nepal. Chitwan National Park and Sagarmatha National Park are listed as UNESCO natural world heritage sites. Furthermore, seven sites in Kathmandu Valley and one and Lumbini, the birthplace of Lord Buddha, are listed as UNESCO cultural world heritage sites. Nepal is the habitat of Gurkhas and Sherpas who are known world-wide for their bravery and amazing mountaineering skills, respectively.

Nepalese people have a long-standing tradition of celebrating the great Hindu festivals like Dashain, Deewali, Teej etc. Those festivals mean a lot to these people, and even more, especially when they are away from Nepal.

### **U.K – Nepal Relationship**

The people of Nepal and UK share a deep mutual relationship of over 200 years. Nepal established its diplomatic relations with the UK in 1816 AD. Nepal takes a strong pride to the fact that the Gurkhas have been serving in the British Army for over 200 years.

PNS as a charitable organisation is committed to ensuring that any generous donations made to it is used for the good cause. To know more about PNS or to donate, kindly contact the following:

**Peterborough Nepalese Society, UK**

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