

**Registration number 441748**

**Twinning The Kingdoms Ltd.**  
**(A company limited by guarantee with no issued share capital)**

**Directors' Report and Financial Statements**

**for the year ended 31 December 2009**

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## **Twinning The Kingdoms Ltd.**

### **Company information**

<b>Directors</b>	Paul Hanrahan Clare Heardman Coleen O' Kane Rita Kelly Brenda Friel Philipa Kearon David Buttimer
<b>Secretary</b>	Mr. David Buttimer
<b>Company number</b>	441748
<b>Registered office</b>	32 The Mall, Tralee, Co. Kerry
<b>Auditors</b>	Martin Moore & Co., 11 Main St., Blennerville, Tralee, Co. Kerry.
<b>Bankers</b>	Bank of Ireland, Castle St., Tralee, Co. Kerry.

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## **Twining The Kingdoms Ltd.**

### **Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2009**

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009.

#### **Principal activity and business review**

The principal activity of the company is the provision of aid to Lesotho.

#### **Results and dividends**

The results for the year are set out on page 5.

The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

#### **Directors and their interests in Shares of the Company**

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the company are as stated below:

	<b>Ordinary shares</b>	
	<b>31/12/09</b>	<b>01/01/09</b>
Paul Hanrahan	-	-
Clare Heardman	-	-
Coleen O' Kane	-	-
Rita Kelly	-	-
Brenda Friel	-	-
Philipa Kearon	-	-
David Buttimer	-	-

All Directors serve in a voluntary capacity and are not remunerated. No shares are held by the Directors

#### **Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 1989**

The well being of the company's employees is safeguarded through the strict adherence to health and safety standards. The Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 1989 imposes certain requirements on employers and the company has taken the necessary action to ensure compliance with the Act, including the adoption of a safety statement.

#### **Accounting records**

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility under Section 202 of the Companies Act 1990 to keep proper books and records for the company. To this end, we employ a part-time book-keeper. Our books and records are kept at our registered office.

#### **Directors' responsibilities**

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing these the directors are required to:

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- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Acts 1963 to 2003. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Auditors**

The auditors, Martin Moore & Co., have indicated their willingness to continue in office in accordance with the provisions of Section 160(2) of the Companies Act, 1963.

This report was approved by the Board on and signed on its behalf by

  
**Director**

  
**Director**

## **Twinning The Kingdoms Ltd.**

### **Independent auditors' report to the members of Twinning The Kingdoms Ltd.**

We have audited the financial statements of Twinning The Kingdoms Ltd. for the year ended 31 December 2009 which comprise the Income and Expenditure account, the balance sheet, the cash flow statement and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 193 of the Companies Act, 1990. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members 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 company and the company's members 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 directors' responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and Irish Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and Auditing Standards promulgated by the Auditing Practices Board in Ireland and the United Kingdom.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Acts 1963 to 2003. We also report to you whether in our opinion: proper books of account have been kept by the company; whether, at the balance sheet date, there exists a financial situation requiring the convening of an Extraordinary General Meeting of the company; and whether the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements. In addition, we state whether we have obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit and whether the company's balance sheet and its income and expenditure account are in agreement with the books of account and returns.

We report to the shareholders if, in our opinion, any information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and directors' transactions is not given and, where practicable, include such information in our report.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

#### **Basis of audit opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards 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 directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company'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.

## CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

During 2009 the income received by the charity was €113,666 compared with €94,356 in 2008, an increase of over 20%. As grants from Irish Aid fell by €19,945, the increase in locally generated funds was, in fact, even greater than this, rising from €66,411 in 2008 to €105,666 in 2009, an increase of 59%. This remarkable achievement was due primarily to the efforts of our Bantry and Waterville branches, and the extraordinary generosity of the Mangan family of Killorglin.

Net income from the Tralee bookshop (after rent and electricity) declined from €24,315 in 2008 to €15,794 in 2009. This partly reflects the fact that the premises were rent-free for part of 2008, but the economic recession also affected turnover, a trend which has continued in 2010.

During 2009, with the help of a grant of €8,000 from Irish Aid we toured the country with an exhibition of Eileen O'Leary's remarkable photographs under the title of "Breaking the Barriers", to create a public awareness of Lesotho and of the particular difficulties faced by people with disabilities there.

We transferred €57,263 to Lesotho during 2009, but our actual expenditure there in 2009 amounted to 693,337 Rand or about €69,000, the difference being accounted for by funds transferred in 2008 which were not spent until 2009, plus some donations received in the local currency.

Our 2009 expenditure in Lesotho was made up as follows:

<b>Humanitarian Relief</b> (Feeding & health programmes plus child sponsorship)	<b>R 98,540</b>
<b>Enterprise &amp; Income Support</b> (Craft Groups and Pig Projects)	<b>R 97,858</b>
<b>Capital Expenditure Projects</b> (Development Centres and Schools)	<b>R307,212</b>
<b>Management Costs</b> (Wages, Transport, Volunteer Costs, Telecoms, etc.)	<b>R189,727</b>
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<b>Total Expenditure in Lesotho</b>	<b>R693,337</b>
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Behind these figures lies the real work of the charity. By the end of 2009

- in co-operation with local committees, we were feeding and providing healthcare to 150 orphans and people sick with HIV/AIDs;
- we had built and equipped two community development centres which are used by the local committees with whom we work to deliver food-aid;
- we had built and equipped three classrooms for St. Monica's Primary School, and provided computers to that school and also to Morate English Medium High School;
- we employed two local people full-time and three more part-time; and
- we were working closely with several different groups to help them to develop agricultural and craft enterprises which will provide income and food security in the future.

The long-term objective of the charity is to help the people of Lesotho to become more self-sufficient. However, in the short-term there are critical problems of hunger, malnutrition and HIV/AIDs which must be addressed. We need more members, more money and more volunteers in order to make an impact on these problems.

I would like to express my grateful appreciation to all our supporters, friends, and board members, who all work unstintingly without recompense for this very worthy cause; to our volunteers who travel to Lesotho at their own expense to build, teach and provide loving care; and particularly to our Executive Field Officer, Eileen O'Leary, whose energy, enthusiasm and sheer hard work are a wonder to behold.

I would also like to express our appreciation of the support we received from Irish Aid in the form of a grant of €27,945 in 2008 towards the cost of building the classrooms for St. Monica's School in Maputsoe, and a grant of €8,000 in 2009 towards the "Breaking the Barriers" exhibition.



Paul Hanrahan,  
Chairman.



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**Independent auditors' report to the members of Twinning The Kingdoms Ltd. continued**

**Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2009 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Acts 1963 to 2003.

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 company. The financial statements are in agreement with the books of account.

In our opinion the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

The net assets of the company, as stated in the balance sheet, are more than half of the amount of its called up share capital and, in our opinion, on that basis there did not exist at 31 December 2009 a financial situation which under Section 40 (1) of the Companies (Amendment) Act, 1983 would require the convening of an extraordinary general meeting of the company.



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**Income & Expenditure Account  
for the year ended 31 December 2009**

**Continuing operations**

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>€</b>	<b>€</b>
<b>Income</b>	113,666	94,356
Administrative expenses	(95,336)	(102,951)
<b>Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation</b>	18,330	(8,595)
Tax on Surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
<b>Surplus on ordinary activities after taxation</b>	18,330	(8,595)
<b>Retained surplus for the year</b>	18,330	(8,595)
Retained profit brought forward	1,354	9,949
<b>Retained Surplus carried forward</b>	19,684	1,354

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**Income**

Administrative expenses

**Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation**

Tax on Surplus on ordinary activities

**Surplus on ordinary activities after taxation**

**Retained surplus for the year**

Retained profit brought forward

**Retained Surplus carried forward**

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the surplus or deficiency for the above two financial years.

On behalf of the board

  
Director

  
Director

The notes on pages 7 to 8 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**Balance sheet  
as at 31 December 2009**

	Notes	2009		2008	
		€	€	€	€
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		20,184		2,504	
		<u>20,184</u>		<u>2,504</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>					
	5	<u>(500)</u>		<u>(1,150)</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			19,684		1,354
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>19,684</u>		<u>1,354</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Income & Expenditure account			19,684		1,354
<b>Company Funds</b>	6		<u>19,684</u>		<u>1,354</u>

On behalf of the board

  
Director

  
Director

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**Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2009**

**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1. Accounting convention**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention .

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement because it is a small company.

**1.2. Turnover**

Turnover represents the total income received by the company in this Financial Year.

**2. Turnover**

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>€</b>	<b>€</b>
Fundraising & Other Income	113,666	94,356

**3. Operating Surplus**

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>€</b>	<b>€</b>
Auditors' remuneration	520	550

**4. Costs**

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>€</b>	<b>€</b>
Flight costs	4,795	-
	4,795	-

**5. Creditors: amounts falling due  
within one year**

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>€</b>	<b>€</b>
Accruals and deferred income	500	1,150

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<b>6. Reconciliation of movements in company funds</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>€</b>	<b>€</b>
Surplus for the year	18,330	(8,595)
Opening company funds	1,354	9,949
Closing company funds	<u>19,684</u>	<u>1,354</u>

**7. Approval of financial statements**

The financial statements were approved by the Board on and signed on its behalf by

  
Director

  
Director

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**Detailed Income and Expenditure Account  
for the year ended 31 December 2009**

	2009		2008	
	€	€	€	€
<b>Income</b>				
Bookshop Income		30,591		36,833
Support A Village		-		2,757
Calendar Income		-		2,610
Eurovision Income		-		2,560
Donations		32,571		2,055
Bag Packing		7,764		-
Bantry FOL Donation		16,557		3,686
Irish Aid Grant to St. Monica's Building		-		27,945
Kerry County Council		-		5,000
Waterville Friends of Lesotho		14,539		10,910
Misc. Income		3,644		-
Irish Aid Grant to Exhibition		8,000		-
		113,666		94,356
<b>Administrative expenses</b>				
Flights costs	4,795		-	
Direct Aid	57,263		83,133	
Rent payable	13,022		10,859	
Insurance	748		1,000	
Light and heat	1,775		1,659	
Repairs and maintenance	-		909	
Administration, postage and stationery	1,554		2,849	
Eurovision Costs	-		800	
Breaking the Barriers	11,260		-	
Telephone	627		311	
Computer costs	399		85	
Motor expenses	-		165	
Meetings	17		-	
Legal and professional	41		-	
Audit	520		550	
Bank charges	298		631	
General expenses	2,817		-	
Subscriptions	200		-	
		95,336		102,951
<b>Operating (Deficiency)/Surplus</b>		18,330		(8,595)

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**Detailed Income and Expenditure Account  
for the year ended 31 December 2009**

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Light and heat	1,775		1,659	
Repairs and maintenance	-		909	
Administration, postage and stationery	1,554		2,849	
Eurovision Costs	-		800	
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Telephone	627		311	
Computer costs	399		85	
Motor expenses	-		165	
Meetings	17		-	
Legal and professional	41		-	
Audit	520		550	
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