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**GURUNG SOCIETY KENT UK PRE TAMU LHOSAR (TOH LOH) CELEBRATION PARTY MEETING MINUTES 2025.**

**General**

1. The Gurung Society Kent (GSK) pre-Tamu Lhosar (Toh Loh) celebration party planning meeting was successfully held under the leadership of Mr Golman Gurung (Chairperson, GSK) on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at Durbar Bar & Lounge, Ashford Town centre, TN24 8TN.

**Aim**

2. The primary aim of the meeting was to finalise the planning and administrative requirements of upcoming GSK Tamu Lhosar celebration, scheduled on Tuesday, 30 December 2025.

**Attendance**

3. The following members were present at the meeting:

S/No	Particular	Details/actions	Responsibility	Remarks
1	Attendance	Mr Golman Gurung Mrs Mamata Gurung Mr Toran Gurung Ms Pabitra Gurung Mr Manbahadur Gurung Mr Narendra Gurung Mrs Uma Devi gurung Mrs Ishu Gurung Mr Basanta Gurung Mr Kumar Gurung Ms Prerana Gurung Mr Dev Narayan Gurung	Chairperson Chief Vice Chairperson Chief Vice Chairperson General Secretary Treasurer Food IC Cultural Secretary Ladies Coordinator Secretary Asst Secretary Youth Coordinator Senior Citizen	
2	Apologises	Mr Dolbahadur Gurung Mr Balaram Gurung Mr Hombahadur Gurung	Advisor Advisor Media Secretary	

S/NO	Particulars	Discussion /Decisions	Responsibility /Action	Remarks
3	Welcome & admin briefing.	General Secretary Ms Pabitra Gurung delivered a safety briefing, outlined the sequence of event and extended a warm welcome to all members. She expressed her sincere gratitude to all attendees in the meeting.	General Secretary	
4	Welcome speech.	Chief vice Chairperson extended a warm welcomed and thanked to all members presented in the meeting.	Chief Vice Chairperson	
5	Opening address	Chairperson Mr Golman Gurung extended a warm welcome and expressed appreciation to all members in attendance. He briefly explained outlining the aim and overall concept of the meeting and emphasised the importance of attendance and being responsible of their role in the society. The Chairperson officially opened the meeting at 12:30 PM.	Chairperson	
6	EC Members Update & Reports	<p><b>Financial State.</b></p> <p>The Treasurer, Mr Manbahadur Gurung presented a financial report and membership update of the society.</p> <p><b>Financial State:</b></p> <p><b>BREAKDOWN OF INCOME / EXPENDITURE (as of 16 Nov 2025):</b></p> <p><b>Meeting Refreshment - £157.40</b></p> <p><b>Total held in Bank = £18,685.03</b></p> <p><b>Petty Cash = £120.50</b></p> <p><b>Membership:</b></p> <p>Total members - 335  Full members – 234  Active and paying parts - 11  Paid partially but inactive over 3 yrs - 90</p> <p><b>Property State:</b></p> <p>Treasurer Mr Manbahadur Gurung thoroughly presented the records of GSK property holdings.</p>	Treasurer/All	

		All committee members sequentially delivered a comprehensive report on their current responsibilities, progress, and plan. All aimed at contributing positively to the betterment of the society.		
7	Main Agendas/ business	<p>During the Meeting, members thoroughly discussed and made productive and constructive decisions on following agenda and topics.</p> <p><b>1. GSK Tamu Lhosar Celebration Party 2025 – the following key points have been discussed and confirmed:</b></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> The Chairperson and Committee have unanimously agreed and confirmed that GSK Tamu Lhosar Celebration party 2025 will be held at: Hawkinge Community Centre, Heron Forstal Ave, Hawkinge, Folkestone, CT18 7FP.</p> <p><b>Attendance:</b> The Chairperson and Committee have agreed to finalise and close the attendance by Monday 22 December 2025 to avoid last minute chaos in food orders. Attendance will be collected via GSK Viber group and will be initiated soon.</p> <p><b>Dress:</b> The Chairperson and committee have finalised the dress code for the event; will be Gurung attire for all attendees including children to promote the Gurung heritage, tradition and culture. There will be best male and female cultural dress winner selected and awarded with prizes. Therefore, all GSK members are strongly encouraged to wear traditional Gurung attire. GSK General Secretary Ms Pabitra Gurung generously volunteered to sponsor winner prizes.</p> <p><b>Decoration:</b> The chairperson and committee have agreed and confirmed to hire decoration from Sushi Gurung Limbu costing £1,200. The amount will be offset from GSK Account.</p> <p><b>Banner:</b> The Chairperson Golman Gurung kindly volunteered to sponsor costing for new banner.</p>	All	

		<p><b>Entry Tickets:</b> The Chairperson and committee have agreed and confirmed that the following ticket prices will be applied:</p> <p><b>Full Members - £25</b>  <b>Partial/non-members - £30</b>  <b>Children/Senior Citizens - £15</b> (Children 6 – 12 years and Senior Citizens 75 above)  <b>Children below five years - Free</b></p> <p><b>Cultural Programme:</b> The Chairperson and committee have agreed and confirmed that Nepali artist Durga Gurung will be invited to perform in the event. In addition, selected GSK members and children's performances will be included (minimum 5x items). The Committee agreed to offset funding of £300 to support the cultural programme. All GSK members are expected to contribute on Self-borne contribution (Sirpau) for all the performers. Appreciation voucher will be presented to our GSK family performers. The cultural programme will be leading by Cultural Secretary Uma Devi Gurung.</p> <p><b>PA System:</b> The Chairperson and committee have agreed and confirmed that PA system will be hired from Gangaraj Rai costing £250.</p> <p><b>Security:</b> The Chairperson and committee have agreed and confirmed that qualified security will be hired, expected costing £120.</p> <p><b>Raffle Draw:</b> The Chairperson and committee have agreed to organise a Raffle Draw. The Ladies Coordinator Mrs Ishu Gurung is leading and is liaising with respective individual to finalise the sponsors. GSK members are welcome to contribute and are to contact Mrs Ishu Gurung for further information. Tickets will be sold during the event.</p> <p><b>Food and Drinks:</b> The Chairperson and Committee have agreed and confirmed that catering service will be hired from Lemon Leaf Restaurant and drinks will be on Pay As You Go basis. However, welcome drinks (soft drinks and water) including tea &amp; coffee will be provided.</p>		
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**Transport:** The Chairperson and Committee have agreed not to hire any transport to minimise the costing. However, alternative will be provided to senior citizens as required.

**Photographer:** The Chairperson and Committee have agreed not to hire photographer to minimise the costing. Our GSK Member Mr Surya Gurung and Mr Sulav Gurung will be the photographer of the day.

**Advertisement:** The Chairperson and General Secretary kindly agreed to lead on advertising of event via BFBS, providing flyer/banner etc. GSK Youth Coordinator Ms Prerana Gurung brought an initiative to create TikTok account to reach out to younger generation.

**Guests:** The Chairperson and Committee have agreed that the following guests will be invited to attend the event:

GM (Gurkha Major) 1RGR  
RSM (Regimental Sergeant Major) 1RGR  
President, Sagarmatha Nepalese Society Ashford  
President, Folkestone Nepalese Society  
Owner, Ashmi Jewellers Ashford

The following GSK members are nominated to host the guests:

GM 1RGR – Mr Sher Gurung (Advisor)  
RSM 1RGR – Mr Basanta Gurung (Sec)  
President, Sagarmatha Nepalese Society Ashford – Mr Shobraj Gurung (Advisor)  
President, Folkestone Nepalese Society – Mr Balaram Gurung (Advisor)  
Owner, Ashmi Jewellers Ashford – Mrs Tara Devi Gurung

**Felicitation/BFA/ Certificate of**

**Appreciation:** The Chairperson personally requested to forward the name of GSK members including children on outstanding achievement which attract wider attention. The committee also agreed to give Certificate of Appreciation to selected GSK members for their unmatched contribution to the society in 2025. Name will be announced during the event.

		<b>Event Programme:</b> Chief Vice chairperson Mr Toran Gurung has agreed to finalise and produce detail event programme and distribute to all GSK members.		
8	Forecast of Events	<p>1. Tuesday 23 December 2025 – Committee Final Planning Meeting for GSK Tamu Lhosar Celebration Party (Online – Zoom).</p> <p>2. Tuesday 30 December 2025 – GSK Tamu Lhosar Celebration Party.</p> <p>3. Saturday 24 January 2026 – GSK Post Tamu Lhosar Celebration Party Meeting</p>	All	
9	AOB	<p>1. The Chairperson and Committee have agreed and confirmed that the sum of £420 will be offset from GSK Account for website update and maintenance. The decision was made based on value, importance of its role to connect our society in wider world; most importantly, Gurung Society Kent's website requires urgent attention to ensure its security, functionality and performance.</p> <p>2. GSK General Secretary Ms Pabitra Gurung has brought an initiative and is on the verge of designing GSK ladies Gurung dress which will be shared to all members in due time. GSK ladies are strongly encouraged to support her positive dedication and selfless commitment. This will demonstrate our GSK unity and will help to promote our beautiful tradition.</p>		
10	Next Meeting	On Tuesday 23 December 2025, Committee Final Planning Meeting for GSK Tamu Lhosar Celebration Party (Online – Zoom)	All	
11	Closing Remarks	The Chairperson, Mr Golman Gurung sincerely concluded the meeting by expressing his heartfelt gratitude to all attendees for their presence and continued support. He emphasised on leadership role of the committee to lead the GSK to the next level, preserve our Gurung heritage, tradition and culture for rite of passage to coming generation. He also reiterated responsibility of committee, teamwork, dedication and commitment required from leading group to make the GSK example for other society. At last, he proudly thanked to	Chairperson	

		all in attendance for their unwavering commitment to the GSK.  The meeting was officially closed at 15:25 PM.		
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Mr Golman Gurung  
Chairperson  
Gurung Society Kent UK

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Ms Pabitra Gurung  
General Secretary  
Gurung Society Kent UK