

THE VEDIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHAMPTON

REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 OCTOBER 2019**

Charity Number: 263969

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED
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CHARITY NAME:	The Vedic Society of Southampton	
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER:	263969	
PRINCIPAL OFFICE:	79-195 Radcliffe Road Northam Southampton SO14 0PS	
HOLDING TRUSTEES:	Avinas Patel (Chairperson) Latha Davda Arvind Patel Jaldip Patel Prayin Patel	
CHARITY TRUSTEES (Executive Committee):		
<u>Office Bearers</u>	Ravindra Parmar	(President)
	Sanjay Davda	(Vice President)
	Tarun Kumar	(Secretary) (Now Vacant)
	Amit Kumar	(Assistant Secretary) (Now Vacant)
	Sarika Chandarana	(Treasurer)
	Zalak Patel	(Assistant Treasurer)
<u>Committee Members</u>	Sanjay Chandarana Nikhil Chikal Meten Lakhani Jignesh Patel Nikhyta Patel Vimal Patel Mansukh Pipalia	
SECRETARY:	Tarun Kumar	(Now Vacant)
BANKERS:	TSB Bank plc High Street Southampton	
AUDITORS:	Abraham & Dobell Chartered Accountants 230 Shirley Road Southampton SO15 3HR	

THE VEDIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHAMPTON

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED
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The trustees are pleased to present their annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2019.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity Trust Deed and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**Governing Document**

The charity was registered on 6 October 1972. The charity adopted its constitution on 31 August 1972 and this was amended on 29 November 1980, and subsequently on 25 March 2007.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The Charity has two categories of trustees. "Holding Trustees" numbering five shall hold the property of the Charity. Holding Trustees are elected by members in general meeting and shall hold office for up to five years. The other type of trustees is Charity Trustees (also known as the Executive Committee) who are responsible for the management and administration of the Charity and its property. Charity Trustees are elected annually and shall hold office until the following annual general meeting.

Holding Trustees

The following Holding Trustees will each hold office for varying periods from one year to five years.

Avinas Patel
Latha Davda
Arvind Patel
Jalidip Patel
Pravin Patel

One Holding trustee will retire by rotation and an election will be held at the AGM in March 2020, to appoint a new Holding trustee.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Charity Trustees (also known as Executive Committee Members)

The following were appointed Charity Trustees (also known as Executive Committee Members) at the AGM held in 2018 and all resigned at the AGM held on 23 March 2019 in accordance with the Society's constitution:

Office Bearers

Ravindra Parmar

(President)

Sanjay Davda

(Vice President)

Tarun Kumar

(Secretary)

Sishir Yadav

(Assistant Secretary)

Subash Tanna

(Treasurer)

Jayanthini Mahadevan

(Assistant Treasurer)

Committee Members

Ramesh Sharma

Mr Meten Lakhani

Jay Patel

M/s Dimple Sutaria (Resigned)

Nikhil Chikal

Mr Raj Kumar Chadda (Co-Opted)

Nikhyta Patel

Mr Vijay Patel (Co-Opted)

Mansukh Pipalia

The following were elected Charity Trustees (also known as Executive Committee Members) at the AGM held on 23 March 2019:

Office Bearers

Ravindra Parmar

(President)

Sanjay Davda

(Vice President)

Tarun Kumar

(Secretary)

(Now Vacant)

Amit Kumar

(Assistant Secretary)

(Now Vacant)

Sarika Chandarana

(Treasurer)

Zalak Patel

(Assistant Treasurer)

Committee Members

Sanjay Chandarana

Nikhyta Patel

Nikhil Chikal

Vimal Patel

Meten Lakhani

Mansukh Pipalia

Jignesh Patel

In accordance with the Society's constitution, all the Charity Trustees will resign at the forthcoming AGM in 2020.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Trustee Induction and Training

Trustees are familiar with the work of the charity, having new trustees meet with the Chairperson of the trustees, who provides a briefing on the society to include:

- the obligations of board members;
- the main documents which set out the operational framework for the society, including the constitution;
- the financial position of the organisation, including the last set of audited financial statements and funding status; and
- future plans and objectives.

Risk Management

The trustees have examined the major operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks.

Organisational Structure

The Charity Trustees, comprising 13 members, including a secretary, who meet at least 6 times a year, are responsible for the management and administration of the society. The property of the charity is held by the Holding Trustees who are also responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the society.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The aims and objectives of the charity are:

- Conduct the Centre for the advancement of the Hindu religion.
- Impart and promote the study of Vedic teachings and philosophies.
- Promote the study of comparative religions and philosophies in their widest form.
- Study the lives and teachings of the great teachers and sages of India and of the Hindu religion.
- Provide facilities for religious and cultural functions.
- Arrange lectures and discussions on Hindu religion.
- Provide a meeting place for Hindus of all schools and opinions and for others interested in the Hindu religion.
- Raise funds and invite and receive contributions from any person or persons whatsoever by way of subscription, donation and otherwise, provided that the society shall not undertake any permanent trading activities in raising funds for its object.
- Encourage community service for/to the Hindu community to further the objects of the society.
- Do all such other things as shall further the advancement of the Hindu religion.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

Public Benefit Statement

Our main activities and who we try to help are described above. All of our activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit. In shaping our objectives and planning our activities, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit including the guidance 'Public Benefit: Running a Charity (PB2)'.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Report of the President of the Charity Trustees

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Jai Sri Krishna.

Change is one of the two certainties in life but at the Temple, we have again continued from strength to strength despite some of the challenges and uncertainties. Another successful year notched up and long may it continue. All events were celebrated appropriately, numbers attending the temple were on the rise and we've achieved a surplus in the budget. Within the wider community, we've actively participated in a number of events across Southampton and forged stronger links with other organisations.

None of this would have been possible without the sustained support, dedication and generous donations from all devotees, visitors, members, trustees and our Pujariji. I would like to personally thank all the people involved with our Temple for their support last year and pray for your continued support. Together and in partnership, we shall remain strong.

A number of schools, colleges and other organisations visited our Temple last year. We have and will continue to play an active part in the wider community and thus re-enforce and foster better links with other faiths and organisations like the Royal Navy, Royal Air Force and Hampshire Constabulary.

A number of activities are established and devotees' participation is encouraged. A full list of activities is available on our Temple web site. I would urge you to make full use of these activities.

Our Pujariji Riteshbhai Bhatt and his wife Shrutiben continue to give excellent service to the Temple. I would sincerely like thank Riteshbhai for all his hard work and devotion to the Temple.

On the financial front, due to prudent management, the management committee have again kept operational costs down through prudent usage of available funds. Apart from the normal fund generation through devotional activities, there are two other, namely hall usage for ACCA exams and football car parking. I would like to sincerely thank all involved for giving up of their personal time and putting in the hard work in raising the funds to keep the Temple running efficiently.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED)

Report of the President of the Charity Trustees (Continued)

Our Temple membership continues to age and we have sadly witnessed the passing away of some of our long serving members. Although they will be missed, their contributions remain as a legacy. Despite the growing number of devotees attending the Temple, the membership does not grow proportionately. I would like to encourage members to start taking a more active role in encouraging others to become members so that the Temple can progress to newer heights. We are the only major Hindu Temple for around 50 miles. Therefore we must all come together as a single community to progress. The temple is everyone's divine home and without your active support we run the risk of forgetting our cultural heritage.

Lastly I would like to make a plea to all members to attend the AGM so that we can achieve a full quorum without the need to reconvene. It costs over £800 to call another meeting.

I look forward to greeting you all at the AGM.

Jai Sri Krishna and may God bless you.

Ravindra Parmar, B.Sc(Eng), MBA, MIET
President, Hindu Vedic Society Temple

Report of the Chairman of the Holding Trustees

The Vedic Society has been and is playing its part towards contributing in maintaining our Hindu values, heritage, art, language, dressing, food and above all, unity as Hindu into our British way of life.

It goes without saying that success is not achieved without the support of a dedicated and hardworking team – a team who are there to guide you swiftly through to a successful year. One of our most important assets is the fact that we haven't lost sight of what has made us so successful to date i.e. a personal touch coupled with devotion and stepping up fund and fun generating activities.

Achievements and success of the year have not been without disruptions but the management team have largely managed and kept good control and always put quality before quantity.

We have our priest, Shree Riteshbhai Bhatt and his wife Shreemati Shritiben, whose extreme hard work and efforts for our members to daily discharge their duties with a smile to our temple whilst keeping the Vedic Society running efficiently.

We are all aware that the society is benefiting from the existence of various donors, well wishers, volunteers and kind hearted members who have made generous donations either financially or by giving their time. Their support and assistance is greatly appreciated by the trustees of the Society.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED)

Report of the Chairman of the Holding Trustees (Continued)

The increase in the numbers for our enthusiastic Elderly Group and Vedic Youth is very encouraging. The Vedic Society needs such devoted young members to progress and seeks positive co-operation for continued advancement. Equally, activities held by the elderly groups help in co-ordinating process with local community as well as creating a forum for the mature members. We urge and encourage everyone to be closely affiliated with the Vedic Society.

I would like to thank members and management trustees for their constant assistance and respect in all aspects of community performance. We are confident that members' long-term faith in the Vedic Society will be rewarded.

Our task is to put The Vedic Society where it belongs – at the forefront of the community by delivering exceptional services. I'll take this opportunity to sincerely thank all members, donors, visitors and well-wishers. We'd also like to welcome all the newly settled families in our region to the temple fold.

Lastly, I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to the current and previous committees for their achievements and their guiding hand in making what this Temple is today.

Jai Sri Krishna, God bless you All

Avinas Patel
Chair of the Holding Trustees

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The 31 October 2019 year was financially a successful year for the charity. The charity recorded a surplus of £23,321 compared with a surplus in the previous year of £4,045. This was due to much needed repairs and maintenance being carried out in the year to 31 October 2018 (£44,030) which, as a result, meant much lower repairs and renewals in the 2019 year (£15,717).

Total income was slightly reduced in the year to 31 October 2019 to £106,738 compared to £111,555 in the previous year.

Total funds now stand at £608,612 (2018 - £585,291).

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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The principal funding sources for the charity are currently by way of donations and fundraising.

Investment Policy

Aside from retaining a prudent amount in reserves each year, most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term, so there are few funds for long term investment.

Reserves Policy and Going Concern

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves of the charity, at a level which equates to approximately six months' unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs. Unrestricted funds are maintained at this level throughout the year. The trustees are of a view that the charity is a going concern.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The major plans for the future are:

- Have an active program to ensure more cohesion between the different temple communities.
- To bring the temple and hall facilities up to a good standard and also modernise some of the facilities in look and feel.
- Increase participations in Temple activities.
- To get the younger generation more involved in the running of the Temple and Society. New people have joined the committee in the last few years, and it is hoped this trend will continue. Succession planning is important for the successful future of the organisation.
- To find ways to increase attendance at important functions and festivals. This is already happening for some functions.

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
(CONTINUED)**

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**RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES IN RESPECT OF THE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the annual Report of the Trustees and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and procedures in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are 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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website, in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

AUDITOR

Abraham & Dobell were re-appointed as the charity's auditor during the year and have expressed their willingness to continue in that capacity.

Approved by the trustees on ? 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

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**RAVINDRA PARMAR
PRESIDENT**

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**AVINAS PATEL
CHAIRPERSON**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE VEDIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHAMPTON
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OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of The Vedic Society of Southampton for the year ended 31 October 2019, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland, (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 October 2019 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

CONCLUSIONS RELATING TO GOING CONCERN

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements, any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
(CONTINUED)**

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THE VEDIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHAMPTON**

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OTHER INFORMATION

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 9, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
(CONTINUED)**

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE VEDIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHAMPTON
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RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but it is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

USE OF OUR REPORT

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees, those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's 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 charity and the charity's trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report or for the opinion we have formed.

ABRAHAM & DOBELL

Statutory Auditor

? 2020

**Abraham & Dobell
Chartered Accountants
230 Shirley Road
Southampton
Hampshire
SO15 3HR**

THE VEDIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHAMPTON

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED
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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2019 Total Funds £	2018 Total Funds £
INCOME					
Donations and legacies	2	58,421	-	58,421	66,717
Other trading activities	3	48,177	-	48,177	44,671
Investment income	4	140	-	140	167
TOTAL INCOME		106,738	-	106,738	111,555
EXPENDITURE					
Raising funds	5	1,689	-	1,689	1,487
Charitable activities		75,885	5,843	81,728	106,023
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		77,574	5,843	83,417	107,510
NET INCOME/NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		29,164	(5,843)	23,321	4,045
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		575,931	9,360	585,291	581,246
Total funds carried forward		£605,095	£3,517	£608,612	£585,291

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year.
All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

THE VEDIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHAMPTON

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2019

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	9	347,823	347,823
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		347,823	347,823
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	14,913	25,384
Cash at bank and in hand	12	250,882	221,544
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		265,795	246,928
LIABILITIES			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13	5,006	9,460
NET CURRENT ASSETS		260,789	237,468
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES/NET ASSETS	15	£608,612	£585,291
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY	16		
Unrestricted income funds		605,095	575,931
Restricted income funds		3,517	9,360
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		£608,612	£585,291

The notes on pages 15 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the trustees on ? 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

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RAVINDRA PARMAR
PRESIDENT

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AVINAS PATEL
CHAIRPERSON

THE VEDIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHAMPTON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

(a) **Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts are rounded to the nearest £.

(b) **Income**

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Donations and legacies are received by way of donations and gifts and are included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these financial statements.
- Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.
- Income from other trading activities is accounted for when earned.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(c) **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes VAT as the charity is not VAT registered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Cost of raising funds is comprised of fundraising costs.

Expenditure on charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. This includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake the charitable activities. These costs have been allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource and are apportioned on an appropriate basis, eg floor areas, per capita or estimated usage.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

(d) **Tangible Fixed Assets**

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment issues. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £1,000 are not capitalised.

Equipment is depreciated over the expected useful life of the asset.

Freehold land and buildings, Community Hall and Krishna statue and shrine ornaments are not depreciated as they are deemed to have an indefinite expected useful life.

(e) **Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(f) **Cash at Bank and in Hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

(g) **Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

(h) **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities.

(i) **Fund Accounting**

Unrestricted funds consist of the general purposes fund and designated funds.

Designated funds are funds established by the trustees from time to time for specific projects or purposes, are not in any way restricted and any surplus or deficit will be transferred to/from the general purposes fund when the designated fund is closed.

Restricted Funds are funds subject to specific restrictions imposed by donors or by the purpose of the appeal. The purpose and use of designated and restricted funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

(j) **Financial Instruments**

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(k) **Significant Judgements and Estimates**

Preparation of the financial statements may require the trustees to make significant judgements and estimates. There are no items in the financial statements where judgements and estimates would have a significant effect on amounts recognised in the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2019 Total Funds £	2018 Total Funds £
Donations: General	57,682	-	57,682	65,650
Prizes	739	-	739	1,067
Total Donations Received	£58,421	£-	£58,421	66,717

In 2018 the donations and legacies received of £66,717 were unrestricted.

There were no donated services and facilities receivable which could be quantified in the year (2018 - £nil).

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2019 Total Funds £	2018 Total Funds £
Hall and kitchen	27,455	-	27,455	25,847
Car parking	11,951	-	11,951	10,398
Subscriptions	891	-	891	494
Raffle tickets	3,205	-	3,205	2,832
Service Occupancy	4,675	-	4,675	5,100
Total Other Trading Activities Income Received	£48,177	£-	£48,177	£44,671

In 2018 the income from other trading activities of £44,671 was unrestricted.

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4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2019 Total Funds £	2018 Total Funds £
Bank interest	140	-	140	167
Total Investment Income	£140	£-	£140	£167

In 2018 investment income of £167 was unrestricted.

5. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS AND CHARITABLE
ACTIVITIES

	Fundraising £	Worship £	2019 Total Funds £	2018 Total Funds £
Staff costs	-	18,044	18,044	17,148
Festival expenses	-	21,211	21,211	19,695
Prize expenditure	667	-	667	572
Premises	-	15,982	15,982	20,572
Repairs and renewals	-	15,717	15,717	44,030
Nepal Disaster Relief	-	5,843	5,843	-
Support costs	1,022	2,619	3,641	3,659
Governance costs	-	2,312	2,312	1,834
	£1,689	£81,728	£83,417	£107,510

6. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT AND GOVERNANCE COSTS

The charity identifies the costs of its support functions. It then identifies those costs which relate to the governance function. Having identified its governance costs, the remaining support costs together with the governance costs are apportioned between the two key activities undertaken (see note 5) in the year. Refer to the table below for the basis for apportionment and the analysis of support and governance costs.

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6. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT AND GOVERNANCE COSTS (CONTINUED)

	General Support £	Governance £	Total Funds £	Basis of Apportionment
Publicity	2,337	-	2,337	Transactions
Communications	1,094	-	1,094	Staff Time
General office	210	-	210	Staff Time
Audit fees	-	1,380	1,380	Governance
Legal and licence fees	-	932	932	Governance
	<u>£3,641</u>	<u>£2,312</u>	<u>£5,953</u>	

7. NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging:

	2019 £	2018 £
Audit costs	£1,380	£1,234
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8. ANALYSIS OF STAFF COSTS, TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

	2019 £	2018 £
Priest's salary	17,794	17,148
Employer's National Insurance	-	-
Employer's Pension Contribution	250	-
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	£18,044	£17,148
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The average number of employees during the year was

2	2
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No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year (2018 - none).

No payments were made to trustees by way of remuneration or expenses during the year (2018 - £nil).

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9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Land & Buildings £	Community Hall £	Krishna Statue & Shrine Ornaments £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost or Valuation					
At 1 November 2018	123,132	212,526	12,165	46,760	394,583
At 31 October 2019	123,132	212,526	12,165	46,760	394,583
Depreciation					
At 1 November 2018	-	-	-	46,760	46,760
At 31 October 2019	-	-	-	46,760	46,760
Net Book Values					
At 31 October 2019	£123,132	£212,526	£12,165	£-	£347,823
At 31 October 2018	123,132	£212,526	£12,165	£-	£347,823

No depreciation has been charged on the freehold land and buildings, Community Hall, Krishna statue and shrine ornaments as they are deemed to have an indefinite expected useful life and the depreciation charges would be immaterial. The trustees believe the value of these fixed assets to be not less than the net book value shown in these financial statements.

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10. FIXED ASSETS AND GRANTS RECEIVED

(i) **Southampton City Council**

An Urban Aid Grant amounting to £30,202 was received during an earlier year in respect of the building of the Temple. In the event of the disposal of the freehold property, 8/13ths of the proceeds are repayable to Southampton City Council who hold a charge on the title to the land on which the Temple is built.

(ii) A grant was received from Southampton City Council of £20,000 during an earlier year for the Temple Community Hall and has been used for the hall and has been transferred to fixed assets. There is a specific charge by the City Council on the use of the hall by them for ten years.

(iii) Grants received from Hampshire County Council and Southampton City Council amounting to £16,000 have been transferred to fixed assets during an earlier year on the commencement of building work on the community hall.

(iv) A grant was received during an earlier year from the Single Regeneration Board amounting to £13,000 towards the building costs of a new boundary wall. This amount has been used to make a part payment towards the building costs.

11. DEBTORS

	2019 £	2018 £
Taxation	12,761	23,598
Prepayments	2,152	1,786
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	£14,913	£25,384
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12. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2019 £	2018 £
Current account	164,646	134,928
Deposit account	85,996	85,856
Cash in hand	240	760
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	£250,882	£221,544
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13. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2019 £	2018 £
Accruals	4,781	9,267
Social Security and other taxes	225	193
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	£5,006	£9,460
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14. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial instruments measured at amortised cost comprise the following:

	2019 £	2018 £
Financial assets that are debt instruments	-	-
Financial liabilities that are debt instruments	4,781	9,267
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15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	347,823	-	347,823
Current assets	262,278	3,517	265,795
Current liabilities	(5,006)	-	(5,006)
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Net assets at 31 October 2019	£605,095	£3,517	£608,612
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16. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

	At 01.11.18 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	At 31.10.19 £
Analysis of Movements in Unrestricted Funds				
General funds	575,931	106,738	77,574	605,095
Total Unrestricted Funds	575,931	106,738	77,574	605,095
Analysis of Movements in Restricted Funds				
Garden Project	1,937	-	-	1,937
Nepal Fund	5,843	-	5,843	-
Philippines Fund	1,580	-	-	1,580
Total Restricted Funds	9,360	-	5,843	3,517
Total Funds	£585,291	£106,738	£83,417	£608,612

Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted Funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds are funds which have been given for a particular purpose or project.

The Garden Project Fund has been set up for an appeal for the garden project at the front of the Temple building.

The Nepal Fund is a special fund set up to aid the victims of the earthquake in Nepal. During the year the balance of the fund £5,843 was paid to The Gurka Welfare Trust, a registered charity number 1103669.

The Philippines Fund is a special fund which was collected in 2014/15 for the victims of a typhoon in the Philippines. The funds were sent to Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) but they were not expended by MSF. The trustees have therefore included the income collected from the appeal as a restricted fund pending a decision as to how the funds are to be used.

17. RELATED PARTIES

There have been no transactions with related parties during the year (2018 - £nil).

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18. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The charity had no contingent liabilities as at 31 October 2019 (2018 - £nil).

19. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The charity had no capital commitments at 31 October 2019 (2018 - £nil).

20. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There were no post Balance Sheet events at 31 October 2019 (2018 - none).

21. TAXATION

The society is a registered charity and, accordingly, is exempt from taxation on its income and gains where they are applied for charitable purposes.

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UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

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	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME		
Voluntary Income		
Donations: General	57,682	65,650
Prizes	739	1,067
Investment Income		
Bank interest	140	167
Fundraising		
Hall and kitchen use	4,297	2,317
Hall hire - ACCA	9,600	10,410
Diwali dinner and other activities	13,558	13,120
Subscriptions	891	494
Raffle tickets	3,205	2,832
Car parking	11,951	10,398
Service Occupancy	4,675	5,100
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TOTAL INCOME	£106,738	£111,555
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UNRESTRICTED FUNDS
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	2019 £	2018 £
EXPENDITURE		
Fundraising		
Prize expenditure	667	572
Printing and stationery	584	532
Telephone	438	383
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	1,689	1,487
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Charitable Activities		
Priest's salary	17,794	17,148
Priest's pension	250	-
Festival expenditure and sundries	19,175	13,395
Light and heat	3,357	7,817
Water rates	3,743	3,335
Refuse collection	2,059	2,207
Repairs and renewals	15,717	44,030
Insurance	1,879	2,364
Cleaning expenses	4,944	4,849
Festival expenditure - music group fees	2,036	6,300
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	70,954	101,445
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Support and Governance Costs - Charitable Activities		
Telephone	656	667
Auditor's remuneration	1,380	1,234
Legal and licence fees	932	600
Printing and stationery	1,753	1,597
Bank charges	-	-
Sundries	210	480
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	4,931	4,578
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£77,574	£107,510
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RESTRICTED FUNDS

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	2019		2018
	£	£	£
GARDEN PROJECT			
Donations received b/f	1,937		1,937
BALANCE AVAILABLE FOR THE PROJECT	<u>1,937</u>	1,937	<u>1,937</u>
NEPAL FUND			
Donations received b/f	5,843		5,843
Donation given	<u>5,843</u>		<u>-</u>
BALANCE AVAILABLE FOR THE FUND		-	5,843
PHILIPPINES FUND			
Donations received b/f	1,580		1,580
BALANCE AVAILABLE FOR THE FUND	<u>1,580</u>	1,580	<u>1,580</u>
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	<u>£3,517</u>		<u>£9,360</u>