

**THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM**

**(A Company Limited by Guarantee & a Charity)**

**REPORT and ACCOUNTS**

**31st MARCH 2020**

**ABIDIN & COMPANY**

**Chartered Accountants**

**THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM**

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**COMPANY INFORMATION**

**MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:**

Mr. N. Kuttiyandisamy (President)  
Mr. SethurajanBalasubramanian (Vice President)  
Mr. VetrivelRamasamy (Vice President)  
Mr. UthayakumaranArumugam (Secretary)  
Mr. Vijay Sooriya (Treasurer)  
Mr. Krishna Kumar Somasundaram (Asst Treasurer)  
Mrs. NageshwariMoorthi(Asst Secretary)  
Mr. Mr. ShanmughaSundaramSubramani (Asst Secretary)  
Mrs. LeelaRadhakrishnan  
Mrs. MumthajMoorthy  
Mr. RetnamSandanasamy  
Mr. Sahabudeen Abdul Hameed  
Mr. VaiyapuriChettiar  
Mr. Rajesh Sivagurunathan  
Mr. GopikrishnaGovindarajan  
Mr. MurugesanChelliah  
Mr. RajmohanRamadass  
Mr. SakthivelKarupiah

**SECRETARY AND REGISTERED OFFICE:**

Mr. UthayakumaranArumugam  
The London Tamil Sangam  
369 High Street North  
Manor Park  
London E12 6PG

**COMPANY REGISTERED NUMBER:**

657373 (Registered in England and Wales)

**COMPANY CHARITY NUMBER:**

1097724

**ACCOUNTANTS:**

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Hornchurch  
Essex RM11 1SU

**BANKERS:**

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37 High Street North  
East Ham  
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**REPORT of the COUNCIL**

**YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2020**

The Council Members present their Report together with the Financial Statement for the year ended 31st March 2020. The period between 2019 and 2020 has been a year of change and progress for The London Tamil Sangam (The LTS). We thank the **Clinical Commissioning group** (CCG part of NHS) for their continued support in empowering us to deliver some important physical activities for improvement of health, for users from the wider local community. We encourage user groups of all age groups to benefit from our activities. We provided keep fit sessions to encourage participation from wider community group. Despite the gloomy end to the financial year-end, imposed by the CoVID19 pandemic. Even through difficult times ahead, we aim to sustain the level of support to the local community, staying within the construct of the law. We are very much motivated by our enthusiastic patrons and volunteers who are encouraging us to do more.

The LTS continues to deliver its commitment to the community by providing essential services by seeking sponsorship and financial support from the local community. We are very thankful to the local temples **“Sri Maha Lakshmi Trust”** and **“Sri London Murugan Temple”** for their continued regular financial support towards running of our Supplementary weekend Tamil School and essential activities. Their funding has empowered us to keep financial burden on parents to a minimum without compromising the standard we deploy in teaching the ancient language. Our long term strategy has been to reduce our dependency from public grants and drive towards self-sustainment. This financial year has been a significant milestone, we have managed to generate a healthy surplus without compromising quality of our service. We aim to continue on this trajectory to build a reserve for the future and strengthen our financial stability.

We see our supplementary school to be playing a strategic role in enhancing the learning aptitude of our children in their mainstream education. Our second Tamil School branch which we inaugurated on Oct 2018 in Redbridge continue to grow in popularity, increasing from 48 in 2018 to 70 intakes now, which is a testament to our teachers and administrators in our two branches. We now look to support other distant schools, who share our vision.

Hard work of our volunteers and trustees supported by the generosity of our sponsors has helped us to increase our services through the use of some of our unrestricted fund. With the hard work of our team and the goodwill of local businesses, we have been very fortunate and continue to increase our fund raising through Pongal vizha and parent's donations towards school and Sangam activities. We thank our dedicated Teachers, Staff and Volunteers of The LTS and the Tamil School of Language and Culture based in Eastham and Redbridge for their hard work in helping our children to achieve. Also for their voluntary extended time contributions for the benefit of our local community and the upkeep of our Sangam. The LTS is proud of the charitable nature of all our volunteers.

Newham has the most vibrant mix of culture and ethnicity, in need of support with the English language. We realise the necessity to continue to provide unfunded activities such as ESOL and translation services, tailoring class etc. regardless of the challenges we face in generating limited unrestricted fund. We strive to continue to deliver these essential activities to help improve communication and literacy skills and henceforth enhance their employment prospects. We always embrace and extend our service to the wider community as well as the local immigrant population. The LTS promotes community and religious harmony and help to integrate our local immigrant community into the mainstream way of life in the UK, embracing the positive feeds from their culture, which enriches the vibrancy of our local communities.



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**REPORT of the COUNCIL (Continued) YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2020**

**Review of the Activity and Further Developments**

The principal activities of London Tamil Sangam are:-

1. Employment oriented courses
2. ESOL classes for immigrants of all ages.
3. Health awareness and social inclusion activities
4. Children and young people weekend activities
5. Tamil Language Supplementary School (London School of Tamil Language and Culture)
6. Library service
7. Arranging Tamil lectures and Tamil cultural celebrations
8. Celebration of cultural events to encourage family and community gathering, by welcoming people of all faith and religion.
9. Computer Classes
10. Yoga Class
11. Activities for elders
12. Dress Making Classes
13. Therapy sessions Health advice and seminars
14. Day trips for the community
15. Dance Classes and sports events for Children
16. Zumba & Bollywood dance classes for adults
17. Vocal Singing Classes
18. Annual Pongal(Harvest festival) celebrations
19. For those in need, assisting with funeral arrangements in the community as per traditions
20. Work experience centre for secondary school pupils
21. Raise funds to support international relief aids.

**The Plan for the future:-**

- Enhance and increase the services to include advice and guidance sessions.
- Formation of dance and art group for youth.
- Form Sports division to run sports activities, such as Badminton.
- After school club – to help children with their homework and studies, as well as other activities.
- Parent and toddler group to encourage parenting education.
- Musical Instrumentation classes.
- Increase funding stream by organising further fundraising events, such as;
  - Organise holiday trips to European destinations for the community
  - Maximise the use of Sangam premise to generate unrestricted funds
- Continue efforts to make the supplementary school to be self-sustainable through its own fundraising.

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**REPORT of the COUNCIL (Continued) YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2020**

**Results**

Both the level of activity and the financial position at the Balance Sheet were satisfactory and the Council expects this to be improved in the foreseeable future.

**Fixed Assets**

Details of the movement in the Fixed Assets are disclosed in Note 5 to the Accounts.

**Statement of Directors' (Council Member's) Responsibility**

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors have.

- Selected suitable accounting policies and applied consistently;
- Made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Followed applicable accounting standards; and
- Prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

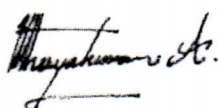
**Taxation Status**

The Inland Revenue recognises that The London Tamil Sangam is a non-profit making entity which may not distribute profits among members. The Company is exempt from UK Corporation Tax.

**Small Company Provisions**

The report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small Companies regime.

By order of the Council



**Secretary – U.K.Arumugam**

**16<sup>th</sup> December 2020**



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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT to the TRUSTEES of**

**THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM**

**for the YEAR ended 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2020**

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 as set out on pages 7-11.

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND THE EXAMINER**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 144(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

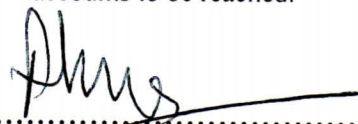
**BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principals of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**Essex, RM11 1SU**

**16<sup>th</sup> December 2020**



**THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM**  
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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**for the YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2020**

|  | <b><u>Notes</u></b> | <b><u>2020</u></b> | <b><u>2019</u></b> |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b><u>Income</u></b>   |                     | 65,064             | 55,232             |
| Administrative Expenses  |                     | 57,690             | 59,972             |
| <b><u>Operating(Deficit)</u></b>                                 | 2                   | 7,374              | (4,740)            |
| Rent Receivable  |                     | 11,284             | 9,700              |
| <b><u>Surplus on Ordinary<br/>Activities before Taxation</u></b> |                     | 18,658             | 4,960              |
| Taxation   | 4                   | -                  | -                  |
| <b><u>Surplus on Ordinary<br/>Activities after Taxation</u></b>  |                     | 18,658             | 4,960              |
| <b><u>Retained Balance at 1st April 2019</u></b>                 |                     | 18,007             | 13,047             |
| <b><u>Retained Balance at 31st March 2020</u></b>                |                     | £36,665            | £18,007            |

**THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM****(A Company Limited by Guarantee & a Charity)****BALANCE SHEET as at 31st MARCH 2020**

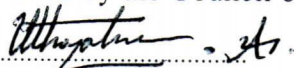

|  | <b><u>Notes</u></b> | <b><u>2020</u></b> | <b><u>2019</u></b> |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b><u>Fixed Assets</u></b>             |                     |                    |                    |
| Tangible Assets                        | 5                   | 250,441<br>-----   | 250,297<br>-----   |
| <b><u>Current Assets</u></b>           |                     |                    |                    |
| Debtors                                | 6                   | 1,196              | 1,196              |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand               |                     | 43,468<br>-----    | 28,058<br>-----    |
|  |                     | 44,664             | 29,254             |
| <b><u>Creditors</u></b>                |                     |                    |                    |
| Amounts falling<br>Due within one year | 7                   | 4,502<br>-----     | 7,606<br>-----     |
| <b><u>Net Current Assets</u></b>       |                     | 40,162<br>-----    | 21,648<br>-----    |
|  |                     | £290,603<br>=====  | £271,945<br>=====  |
| <b><u>Capital and Reserve</u></b>      | 8                   |                    |                    |
| Accumulated Fund                       |                     | 36,665             | 18,007             |
| Capital Grant Reserve                  | 9                   | 244,162            | 244,162            |
| Building Reserve                       | 10                  | 9,776<br>-----     | 9,776<br>-----     |
|  |                     | £290,603<br>=====  | £271,945<br>=====  |

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and that the members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provision in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small Companies regime.

Approved by the Council on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020 and signed on their behalf.

  
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 U.K. Arumugam )  
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 N. Kuttiyandisamy )

**Council Members**

**THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM**

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**NOTES to the ACCOUNTS**

**for the YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2020**

**1. Accounting Policies**

**(a) Accounting Convention**

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005) and the Charities Act 2011.

**(b) Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual value of all fixed assets, except Freehold Property, over their expected useful lives. It is calculated on a reducing balance basis at the following rates:

Fixtures and Equipment      15%

Freehold Property is not depreciated as it is maintained to ensure that its value does not diminish over time. The maintenance costs are charged to Profit and Loss in the year incurred. In the council's opinion, depreciation would be immaterial and has not been charged.

**2. Operating Profit**

Operating Profit is arrived at after charging:

|              | <b><u>2020</u></b> | <b><u>2019</u></b> |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Depreciation | 428                | 402                |
|              | =====              | =====              |

**3. Staff Costs**

The Company employs 1 (2018: 1) worker. The Council members receive no emoluments for their services.

|                    | <b><u>2020</u></b> | <b><u>2019</u></b> |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Salary and Pension | 12,360             | 12,240             |
|                    | =====              | =====              |

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**4. Taxation**

The Charity is exempt from UK Corporation Tax.

**5. Tangible Assets**

|                     | <b><u>Freehold<br/>Property</u></b> | <b><u>Fixtures,<br/>Equipment</u></b> | <b><u>Total</u></b> |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Cost                |                                     |                                       |                     |
| At 1st April 2019   | 248,020                             | 45,239                                | 293,259             |
| Additions           |                                     | 572                                   | 572                 |
|                     | -----                               | -----                                 | -----               |
| At 31st March 2020  | 248,020                             | 45,811                                | 293,831             |
|                     | -----                               | -----                                 | -----               |
| Depreciation        |                                     |                                       |                     |
| At 1st April 2019   | -                                   | 42,962                                | 42,962              |
| Charge for the Year | -                                   | 428                                   | 428                 |
|                     | -----                               | -----                                 | -----               |
| At 31st March 2020  | -                                   | 43,390                                | 43,390              |
|                     | -----                               | -----                                 | -----               |
| Net Book value      |                                     |                                       |                     |
| At 31st March 2020  | £248,020                            | £2,421                                | £250,441            |
|                     | =====                               | =====                                 | =====               |
| At 31st March 2019  | £248,020                            | £2,277                                | £250,297            |
|                     | =====                               | =====                                 | =====               |

Freehold property is not depreciated in accordance with Note 1(b)

**6. Debtors**

|                             | <b><u>2020</u></b> | <b><u>2019</u></b> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Deposits and Accrued Income | £1,196             | £1,196             |
|                             | =====              | =====              |



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**for the YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2020**

**7. Creditors :** Amounts falling due within one year.

|                 | <b><u>2020</u></b> | <b><u>2019</u></b> |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Other Creditors | 2,552              | 2,103              |
| Accruals        | 1,950              | 5,503              |
|                 | -----              | -----              |
|                 | <b>£4,502</b>      | <b>£7,606</b>      |
|                 | =====              | =====              |

**8. Capital**

The company has no Share Capital. Its liability is limited by guarantee of the members.

**9. Capital Grant Reserve**

Capital Grants of £244,162 received from the London Borough of Newham for the specific purpose of purchasing and carrying out renovation work at 369 High Street North, Manor Park, London E12 and for other Capital expenditure, have been credited to capital Grant Reserve. Under the terms of the grant agreement, this reserve is refundable to the grantor in the event of the Company ceasing to operate for charitable purposes or being wound up.

**10. Building Reserve**

This relates to specific reserve accumulated for Building improvements carried out in 1996 and partly funded by the Local Authority Grant

**11. Capital Commitments and Contingent Liabilities**

Capital commitments authorised or contracted for by the Company at 31st March 2020 amounted to Nil (2019 - Nil).

There were no contingent liabilities at 31st March 2020 that the Members of the Council were aware of (2019 - Nil)