

THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM

(A Company Limited by Guarantee & a Charity)

REPORT and ACCOUNTS

31st MARCH 2021

ABIDIN & COMPANY

Chartered Accountants

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COMPANY INFORMATION

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:

Mr. N. Kuttiyandisamy (President)
Mr. Sethurajan Balasubramanian (Vice President)
Mr. Vetrivel Ramasamy (Vice President)
Mr. Uthayakumaran Arumugam (Secretary)
Mr. Vijay Sooriya (Treasurer)
Mr. Krishna Kumar Somasundaram (Asst Treasurer)
Mrs. Nageshwari Moorthi (Asst Secretary)
Mr. Mr. Shanmugha Sundaram Subramani (Asst Secretary)
Mrs. Leela Radhakrishnan
Mrs. Mumthaj Moorthy
Mr. Retnam Sandanasamy
Mr. Sahabudeen Abdul Hameed
Mr. Rajesh Sivagurunathan
Mr. Gopikrishna Govindarajan
Mr. Murugesan Chelliah
Mr. Rajmohan Ramadass
Mr. Sakthivel Karuppiyah

SECRETARY AND REGISTERED OFFICE:

Mr. Uthayakumaran Arumugam
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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112A North Street
Hornchurch
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REPORT of the COUNCIL

YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2021

The Council Members present their Report together with the Financial Statement for the year ended 31st March 2021. The period between 2020 and 2021 has been a year of challenge and progress for The London Tamil Sangam (The LTS). We have been no exception to the impact of COVID, in the interest of safety of the public, our user community and staff we took the decision to close down all direct activities in the LTS, for most part of the period, with the exception of support to COVID relief. The LTS adapted to the COVID threat and continued to serve the public by transferring our core functions to the social-media platform to successfully delivered our services remotely.

Emotionally challenging period, with the loss of some of our elderly members, users and our beloved Director Mr. Vaiyapuri Chettiar who fell victim to COVID. In the fight against social disparity imposed by COVID, The LTS made financial contribution to local relief efforts. With the support of local businesses and public support through remote fundraising platform, raised its own COVID relief funds to provide food-aid for local people in need, for several weeks. During this period with total lockdown, many stranded international students who relied on the hospitality sector to provide part-time employment were in destitute for basic necessity as food. The food-aid and advisory services provided by The LTS in cordial with other local community organisation helped raise awareness of the students plight in the parliament. The residual fund raised for COVID relief remains allocated to support urgent reaction from The LTS, should any further COVID related need arise.

We are thankful to the local temple “Sri Maha Lakshmi Trust” and “Sri Murugan Temple” for their continued regular financial support towards running of our Supplementary weekend Tamil School, which have seamlessly transferred to On-Line teaching with the dedication of our teachers and team of volunteers form the support and administration teams. This essential funding has empowered us to keep financial burden on parents to a minimum. Our long term strategy has been to reduce our dependency from public grants and drive towards self-sustainment. However, with limited income due to suspension of many of the fundraising activities normally conducted at our premises such as the Clinical Commissioning group (CCG part of NHS) activities, the COVID support package provided by the Government proved to be a lifeline, which were gratefully received. We continue to seek funding from businesses community local and abroad to provide long-term funding to enable us to support the local community who depend on our lowcost activities and services we deliver without compromising user satisfaction.

We see our supplementary school to be playing a strategic role in enhancing the learning aptitude of our children in their mainstream education. To further promote the ancient Tamil Language and encouraging our children to learn their mother-tongue, we have now reached out to other likeminded smaller organisations nationally to share our knowledge and resources.

Hard work of our volunteers and trustees supported by the generosity of our sponsors has helped us to sustain our services. 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 donations from parents towards administering the schools. 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 continue to achieve high grades in the Cambridge GCSE and A-Level Tamil Exams. The LTS is proud of the charitable nature of all our volunteers. 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 in-feeds from their culture, which enriches the cultural diversity of Newham.

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REPORT of the COUNCIL (Continued) YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2021

Review of the Activity and Further Developments

The principal activities of London Tamil Sangam remotely delivered are:-

1. Raise funds to support Local & International relief aids.
2. Tamil Language Supplementary School (London School of Tamil Language and Culture)

The principal activities of London Tamil Sangam, suspended for this period due to COVID 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. Library service
6. Arranging Tamil lectures and Tamil cultural celebrations
7. Celebration of cultural events to encourage family and community gathering, by welcoming people of all faith and religion.
8. Computer Classes
9. Yoga Class
10. Activities for elders
11. Dress Making Classes
12. Therapy sessions Health advice and seminars
13. Day trips for the community
14. Dance Classes and sports events for Children
15. Zumba & Bollywood dance classes for adults
16. Vocal Singing Classes
17. Annual Pongal (Harvest festival) celebrations
18. For those in need, assisting with funeral arrangements in the community as per traditions
19. Work experience centre for secondary school pupils

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 2021

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.

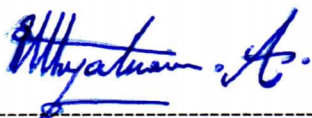
Taxation Status

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

18th December 2021

THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT to the TRUSTEES of

THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM

for the YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2021

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2021 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 matters have come to my attention.

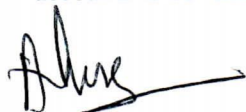
BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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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18th December 2021

THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM**(A Company Limited by Guarantee & a Charity)****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT****for the YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2021**

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Income</u>		88,404	65,064
Administrative Expenses		37,645	57,690
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<u>Operating(Deficit)</u>	2	50,729	7,374
Rent Receivable		1,200	11,284
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<u>Surplus on Ordinary Activities before Taxation</u>		51,959	18,658
Taxation	4	-	-
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<u>Surplus on Ordinary Activities after Taxation</u>		51,959	18,658
<u>Retained Balance at 1st April 2019</u>		36,665	18,007
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<u>Retained Balance at 31st March 2020</u>		£88,624	£36,665
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THE LONDON TAMIL SANGAM**(A Company Limited by Guarantee & a Charity)****BALANCE SHEET as at 31st MARCH 2021**

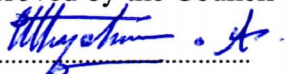
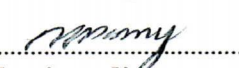
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Fixed Assets</u>			
Tangible Assets	5	250,078 -----	250,441 -----
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Debtors	6	1,100	1,196
Cash at Bank and in Hand		97,518 -----	43,468 -----
		98,618	44,664
<u>Creditors</u>			
Amounts falling Due within one year	7	6,134 -----	4,502 -----
<u>Net Current Assets</u>		92,484 -----	40,162 -----
		£342,562 =====	£290,603 =====
<u>Capital and Reserve</u>	8		
Accumulated Fund		88,624	36,665
Capital Grant Reserve	9	244,162	244,162
Building Reserve	10	9,776 -----	9,776 -----
		£342,562 =====	£290,603 =====

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 18th December 2021 and signed on their behalf.


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U.K. Arumugam)
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N.Kuttiyandisamy

Council Members

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NOTES to the ACCOUNTS

for the YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2021

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%
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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:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Depreciation	363	428
	<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>

3. Staff Costs

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

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Salary and Pension	12,360	12,360
	<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>

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The Charity is exempt from UK Corporation Tax.

5. Tangible Assets

	<u>Freehold Property</u>	<u>Fixtures, Equipment</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cost			
At 1st April 2020	248,020	45,811	293,831
	-----	-----	-----
At 31st March 2021	248,020	45,811	293,831
	-----	-----	-----
Depreciation			
At 1st April 2020	-	43,390	43,390
Charge for the Year	-	363	363
	-----	-----	-----
At 31st March 2021	-	43,753	43,753
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Net Book value			
At 31st March 2021	<u>£248,020</u>	<u>£2,058</u>	<u>£250,078</u>
	=====	=====	=====
At 31st March 2020	<u>£248,020</u>	<u>£2,421</u>	<u>£250,441</u>
	=====	=====	=====

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

6. Debtors

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Deposits and Accrued Income	<u>£1,100</u>	<u>£1,196</u>
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for the YEAR ended 31st MARCH 2021

7. Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year.

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Other Creditors	4,184	2,552
Accruals	1,950	1,950
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	<u>£6,134</u>	<u>£4,502</u>

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, ManorPark, 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 2021 amounted to Nil (2020 - Nil).

There were no contingent liabilities at 31st March 2021 that the Members of the Council were aware of (2020 - Nil)