



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

Day
01

Month
08

Year
2024

To

Period end date

Day
31

Month
07

Year
2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Selwyn Hyams	Chair		
2	Pamela Ganniccliffe			
3	Alexander Norris			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 14 November 2006
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Unincorporated Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by members at AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The trustees time is given on a purely voluntary basis and they have received no money for their time.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The promotion and delivery of community classes, courses and workshops across Greater Manchester using qualified teachers, coaches and instructors of Weihai Lishi Quanfa. Seeking grants and funds to supplement donations received from participants in order to provide a safe, quality learning environment for effective practice.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Manchester Taoist Centre trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when devising all activities. In line with the objective of the charity, Manchester Taoist Centre has promoted and delivered community classes, workshops and classes where the traditional Chinese performing arts of Lishi were taught for public benefit.

This year the charity has continued to gradually increase its income, whilst modestly increasing the scale of its activities.

A new strategy for delivery of classes and workshops has been adopted. The use of social media to engage participants appears to be popular and has developed a sense of community and belonging to the groups. It has continued to deliver weekly classes, with an additional location, venue and teacher being added.

Retention of participants has improved vastly because of this with some people beginning their third, and fourth, year of participation.

Online classes have gone from strength to strength, with new people taking these on, and reflecting on the positive changes it has made to their mental and physical and emotional health.

Manchester Taoist Centre has continued to seek grants and funds to supplement donations received from participants in order to provide a safe and quality learning environment for effective practice. It has not been successful in this endeavour. It has been agreed to appoint an individual (or individuals) to focus on selecting, and applying for appropriate grants in the coming year.

Manchester Taoist Centre continues to invest in, develop, and improve strategies for attracting interest and participation in classes and courses run by the charity, using social media, email and banners outside venues.

Manchester Taoist Centre is extremely grateful to the volunteers who give their time and expertise free of charge.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Manchester Taoist Centre has gratefully received donations from the public.

Marketing activities have been streamlined to help grow the existing classes, and encourage retention.

Successes have been shared on social media and via email to raise the profile of the charity and to encourage people to come and try the classes.

Online classes continued to be popular, and some people continue to prefer this to in person classes.

Manchester Taoist Centre does not charge a membership fee. We do not want to exclude people from joining classes and benefiting from its activities. Manchester Taoist Centre encourages those people who can afford to make donations depending on the value they place on the work of the charity. In this way, we raised funds through the classes, workshops and courses run by Manchester Taoist Centre. The charity is grateful for the support of all its donors, and will also seek alternative funding streams from grant awarding bodies. All volunteers give their time for free and do not gain financially from the work they do.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At the end of the financial year there was £224 in the bank.
This is un-restricted.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

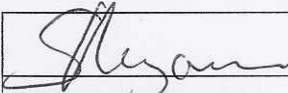
Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

SELWYN HYAMS

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

20/05/26



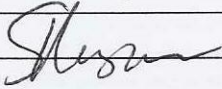
Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.08.2024	To	Period end date 31.07.2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Gift Aid	6	-	-	6	-
Class Donations	23,629	-	-	23,629	-
Donations	4,052	-	-	4,052	-
Grants	250	-	-	250	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	27,937	-	-	27,937	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,937	-	-	27,937	-
A3 Payments					
Venue Hire	2,025	-	-	2,025	-
Marketing	1,931	-	-	1,931	-
Volunteer expenses	6,425	-	-	6,425	-
Teacher expenses	12,614	-	-	12,614	-
Miscellaneous	885	-	-	885	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Admin	1,310	-	-	1,310	-
Class Expenses	2,542	-	-	2,542	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	27,732	-	-	27,732	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	27,732	-	-	27,732	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	205	-	-	205	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19	-	-	19	-
Cash funds this year end	224	-	-	224	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	cash in bank	224	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	224	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Selwyn Hyams	20/05/2026



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Manchester Taoist Centre

On accounts for the year
ended

31/07/2025

Charity no
(if any)

1117714

Set out on pages

1-3

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

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 statement**

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 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

15/06/26

Name:

Michael Bursey

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

ACCA

Address:

8 Station Road

Esholt

Shipley, BD17 7QR

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.