



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date			T o	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 01	Year 2021		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2021
From							

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Sri Gangamata Gaudiya Math

Other names charity is known by

The Bhakti Yoga Centre

Registered charity number (if any)

1123514

Charity's principal address

631 Forest Road

London

Postcode

E17 4NE

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	Ly Luft	Chair, Treasurer		
2	Denise McFarland	Trustee		
3	Benjamin Ball	Trustee		
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				
11				
12				
13				
14				
15				

16
17
18
19
20

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)

--

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 1 January 2008 Amended 1 September 2010 Amended 10 June 2020
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed and reappointed at the General Meeting

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.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

The provision of a spiritual and cultural community centre, in order to advance and improve community involvement (different age groups and cultural backgrounds ect), with the aims of promoting harmony and respect based on a spiritual understanding and realising one's eternal relationship with God. To promote a positive consciousness through healthy living workshops and educational courses on Vedic philosophy.

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)

We are a spiritual, cultural community centre with weekly programs covering two main themes:
Education and Healthy Living

Education:

- educative and informative workshops on ancient Vedic wisdom
- music workshops
- art workshops
- children workshop

Healthy Living:

- cooking courses
- food distribution
- yoga courses
- meditation

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

The year began for the charity overcast by a dark cloud of uncertainty. The pandemic was still a great threat to a return to normal and a mood of depression was felt in the community. We continued throughout the year to stay positive adapting to the different situations and by the end of the year a new energy was coming. covid restrictions had lessened and staff were able to come back to work we ended the year feeling optimistic for 2022

In January 2021 we continued with the zoom programs. Initially they had a positive appeal but as January continued the attendance dropped considerably. They were subsequently cancelled at the end of January with only the yoga online zoom class remaining.

With the lockdown and the Covid restrictions there was no activity for 2 months February and March

From April we established a new weekly event Harinam and book & food distribution. This was a popular outdoor event connecting with new people and helping to bring a more positive consciousness to the community.

In July most of the restrictions were lifted and we re-opened the centre. We chose an auspicious day "Guru Purnima" and celebrated by inviting the community together for kirtan and Prasad.

From the July opening we re-introduced weekly programs, Sunday Sat sang, Thursday yoga, nama-hatta and festivals according to the vaisnava calendar.

At the end of September the regular weekly outdoor event was stopped but the food distribution continued on Saturdays.

In the beginning of October we began a weekly indoor kirtan event attracting new people.

From October the weekly programs were more established and a new influx of people started to come especially for bigger events.

We were able to start to re-employ our workers from the end of July and by October everyone was completely off furlough.

Rakesh resigned from the board of trustees in July 2021.

We continued with the retreat project in Skegness. From March we managed the maintenance and planting on the land. In October we put in for planning for a barn/reception, 10 Eco cottages, a large greenhouse and parking. Full planning permission was granted on December the 16th subject to the conditions outlined in the planning consent.

As a summary for the year, we got off to a rocky start but as the year continued and we were able to be flexible enough to keep an energy going, things improved greatly and by the end of the year, programs were re-established and we received the good news that our planning application for the retreat centre was approved.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

--

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)

L. Luft

Full name(s)

Ly Luft

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date 09/07/2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name		No (if any)	
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
Membership (regular) donations	46,632	-	-	46,632
Bank (one off) donations	10,535	-	-	10,535
Paypal donations	8,315	-	-	8,315
Cash donations	46,068	-	-	46,068
Rental income	29,438	-	-	29,438
HMRC JRS Grant	49,291	-	-	49,291
Interest	7	-	-	7
Gift aid	22,428	-	-	22,428
	- 0	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	212,716	-	-	212,716
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
Sub total	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
Total receipts	212,716	- 0	- 0	212,716
A3 Payments				
Insurance	196	-	-	196
Business rates	1,063	-	-	1,063
HMRC Paye/NIC Cumb	1,516	-	-	1,516
Paid staff	69,740	-	-	69,740
Zoom: festivals	200	-	-	200
Sun, Bhakti zoom: Gurudeva memories	300	-	-	300
advertising	1,100	-	-	1,100
Yoga	1,840	-	-	1,840
Zoom Yoga: mon, wed, fri	4,890	-	-	4,890
Kirtan programs	7,850	-	-	7,850
Food for all / Food posting	10,350	-	-	10,350
Sunday Sat Sang	3,200	-	-	3,200
Festivals	2,720	-	-	2,720
Nama-hatta	550	-	-	550
Other workshops	-	-	-	-
Jas Roofing	10,000	-	-	10,000
Book cabin	6,073	-	-	6,073
Planning Application, Architect fee	14,528	-	-	14,528
Planning Application fee	3,262	-	-	3,262
Planning Fee	8,100	-	-	8,100
Transport and flood risk assessment	1,980	-	-	1,980
Book order	6,500	-	-	6,500
Extras	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	155,958	-	-	155,958
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
Sub total	- 0	- 0	- 0	-

			-
			-
			-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	
	L. Luft	Ly Luft	

CC16a
Last year
to the nearest £
41,768
29,670
11,285
37,748
1,125
23,742
1,334
54
20,110
-
-
166,836
- 0
- 0
166,836
196
162
3,075
46,377
800
900
1,050
2,600
-
1,840
4,100
2,710
6,895
-
1,230
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
2,227
15,100
-
89,263
- 0

89,263
77,572
-
62,917
140,489
Endowment funds
to nearest £
-
-
-
-
OK
Endowment funds
to nearest £
-
-
-
-
-
-
Current value (optional)
-
-
-
-
-
Current value (optional)
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
When due (optional)

Date of approval
01/07/2022



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Sri Gangamata Gaudiya Math

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1123514

Set out on pages

Receipts and Payments accounts

(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 material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which 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: S Vera

Date: 01/07/2022

Name: Satyavati Devi Vera

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

--

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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