

YOGA MISSION

England & Wales · Charity number 1133059

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2009-12-02

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE TRUSTEES MUST APPLY THE INCOME OF THE CHARITY IN FURTHERING THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS ("THE OBJECTS"): 3.1 TO ADVANCE RELIGION ACCORDING TO DHARMIC PRINCIPLES 3.2 TO ADVANCE EDUCATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH DHARMIC PRINCIPLES 3.3 TO RELIEVE POVERTY AND NEED 3.4 TO PROMOTE THE PRESERVATION OF HEALTH

Activities: The Charity supports an educational mission for underprivileged children in Varanasi, India. The charity currently targets 4 areas of education: 1) Kindergarten, Years 1 to 6 with c 210 children 2) a boarding school for 50 boys from 8 to 18 years. 3) An after school with c 175 children registered, 4) Sewing centre to teach seamstress skills for 50 women.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, OVERSEAS
- India

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £129,017 | £55,188 | - | - |
| 2024-03-31 | £77,235 | £68,140 | - | - |
| 2023-03-31 | £129,893 | £66,052 | - | - |
| 2022-03-31 | £76,952 | £71,259 | - | - |
| 2021-03-31 | £90,889 | £42,936 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|------------------------------|-------|------------|
| MARK KEOKI RIDLEY | Chair | |
| Hazel Ann Lawrence | | 2018-02-09 |
| MATTHEW THOMAS JOLLEY | | |
| Nicholas David Pople | | 2018-02-09 |
| William Luke Seton Ridley | | 2020-05-20 |

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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It costs approximately £6,000 (2024 - £4,800) per calendar month to run the school, 75% of which is now funded by the Charity, which currently sends monthly donations of £4,500 (2024 – £4,500) to the Trust.

Both the Charity and the Trust were set up by Lucy Guest, a UK national who runs the Chandramauli Trust in India on a day-to-day basis and who also raises awareness and encourages donations to the Charity in the UK.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

TRUSTEES AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Over the year, the Charity raised £125,988 in donations (2024: £74,830) and distributed £54,000 (2024: £67,000) to the Trust. These revenues came from a mixture of monthly donations, single donations/one off fundraising activities and gift aid receipts from HMRC.

The Charity made no significant additional one-off donations during financial year in addition to the part funding of the running costs of the Trust School at Varanasi. However, the Trustees agreed at the March 2025 trustee meeting to a one-off donation of £59,600 to fund various initiatives, including the construction of two additional floors at the school, a new computer lab and new backup power supply (paid in the 2025/2026 financial year). The Charity's cash at the bank increased slightly from £179,233 to £253,062 to reflect the fundraising for these additional capital works.

As at March 2025, the Trust is educating c 490 Children, with 265 in nursery to Year 9 and 175 in evening school. There are a further 50 as full boarders with children aged 6-19. In addition, the Trust is continuing to run a sewing centre and is helping to improve the seamstress skills of 50 women. The Charity currently funds c 75% (90% in 2024) of the running cost of the school, with the balancing funds required raised in India.

The Trust has also expanded the education to an additional year 9 with formal state government accreditation to year 5. In line with the increasing number of years being taught and children at the school, the Trust has hired 3 new teachers as well as increasing monthly salaries to improve retention and teacher quality.

The Charity continues to keep the cost of running itself to a minimum, with total costs of £1,188 for the year – effectively £972 of accountant's fees for the yearly examination and the yearly statement of account, and the balance being fees totalling £216 for the Just Giving account. The Trustees continue to carry out all the administration of the Charity and the Trustees are not claiming for expenses, maximising funds available for distribution.

In terms of governance, the number of Trustees is five and in line with the strategy set out in the 2019 report.

Looking forward

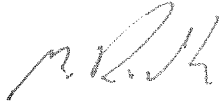
The Charity will continue to target covering the majority of the running costs of the school via its monthly donations, although these have held steady for the last couple of years as increasing costs have been covered by increasing donations to the Trust in India. With the 1st floor extension on the adjoining site having been completed, the Charity has provided funding for the next 2 floors including the fit out of a computer lab, paid for by a corporate donor. Once complete, these extensions will allow the school to run all classes concurrently and not in shifts, thereby providing increased teaching hours available to each pupil. The Trust also needs to raise money to complete the purchase of the plot of land at the edge of Varanasi over which they have paid a deposit, and which is intended as a long term self-sufficient and sustainable home for the school.

The anticipated capital donation by the Charity to the Trust for the land outside Varanasi is being delayed until the final registration of the Trust's FCRA bank account. This frustratingly continues to be delayed with complexity over particular FCRA requirements for the Trust's structure. The Trust is looking at restructuring itself to allow FCRA registration. This will allow money to be sent to Trust as opposed to via Lucy Guest. It will help the Charity to put itself on a firmer long-term footing and allow less reliance on the trust built up via long personal association between the current Trustees and Lucy Guest.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



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M Ridley (For and on behalf of the Trustees)



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Date

YOGA MISSION

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF YOGA MISSION

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Yoga Mission (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charitable trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give and true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



N RAWSON FCA
On behalf of TC Group

DATED:

26th January 2026

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YOGA MISSION

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

| | 2025 | 2024 |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| | £ | £ |
| <u>Income from:</u> | | |
| Charitable activities | 125,988 | 74,830 |
| Other income | 3,029 | 2,405 |
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| Total income | 129,017 | 77,235 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| <u>Expenditure on:</u> | | |
| Raising funds | 216 | 216 |
| Governance costs – Independent examination | 972 | 900 |
| Charitable activities | 54,000 | 67,000 |
| Bank fees | - | 24 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total resources expended | 55,188 | 68,140 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net receipts for the year / Net movement in funds | 73,829 | 9,095 |
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| Cash at bank and in hand at 1 April 2024 | 179,233 | 170,138 |
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| Cash at bank and in hand at 31 March 2025 | 253,062 | 179,233 |
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

| | 2025 | | 2024 | |
|---|---------|----------------|---------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 253,062 | | 179,233 | |
| Total assets | | <u>253,062</u> | | <u>179,233</u> |
| | | | | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | | <u>1,050</u> | | <u>972</u> |


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M Jolley - Hon Treasurer

(For and on behalf of the Trustees)

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It costs approximately £4,800 (2023 - £4,800) per calendar month to run the school, 90% of which is now funded by the Charity, which currently sends monthly donations of £4,500 (2023 – £3,500) to the Trust.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Over the year, the Charity raised £74,830 in donations (2023: £129,419) and distributed £67,000 (2023: £65,020) to the Trust. These revenues came from a mixture of monthly donations, single donations/one off fundraising activities and gift aid receipts from HMRC.

The Charity made one significant one-off donation during the financial year in addition to the part funding of the running costs of the Trust School at Varanasi. This was for £18,020 to help fund the cost of the construction of 3 new classrooms on the first floor on the new site adjacent to the original school. Despite this one-off cost, the Charity's cash at the bank increased slightly from £170,138 to £179,233.

As at March 2024, the Trust is educating c 435 Children, with 210 in nursery and primary and 175 in evening school. There are a further 50 as full boarders with children aged 6-19. In addition, the Trust is continuing to run a sewing centre and is helping to improve the seamstress skills of 50 women. The Charity currently funds c 90% (70% in 2023) of the running cost of the school, with the balancing funds required raised in India. The new space in the adjacent site has provided additional capacity to increase school hours from 5 to 7, improving education and getting the children more used to a full school day. The Trust has also expanded the education to an additional year 8 and formal state government accreditation years 6 to 8 has been made.

The Charity continues to keep the cost of running itself to a minimum, with total costs of £1,116 for the year – effectively £900 of accountant's fees for the yearly examination and the yearly statement of account, and the balance being fees totalling £216 for the Just Giving account. The Trustees continue to carry out all the administration of the Charity and the Trustees are not claiming for expenses, maximising funds available for distribution.

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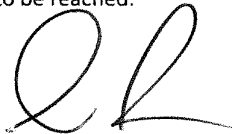
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DATED:

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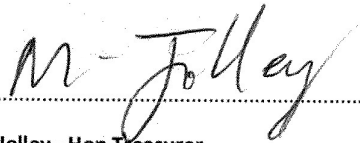
| | 2024 | 2023 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| <u>Income from:</u> | | |
| Charitable activities | 74,830 | 129,419 |
| Other income | 2,405 | 474 |
| Total income | <u>77,235</u> | <u>129,893</u> |
| <u>Expenditure on:</u> | | |
| Raising funds | 216 | 216 |
| Governance costs – Independent examination | 900 | 816 |
| Charitable activities | 67,000 | 65,020 |
| Bank fees | 24 | - |
| Total resources expended | <u>68,140</u> | <u>66,052</u> |
| Net receipts for the year / Net movement in funds | 9,095 | 63,841 |
| Cash at bank and in hand at 1 April 2023 | <u>170,138</u> | <u>106,297</u> |
| Cash at bank and in hand at 31 March 2024 | <u>179,233</u> | <u>170,138</u> |

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

| | 2024 | | 2023 | |
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| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
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| Total assets | | <u>179,233</u> | | <u>170,138</u> |
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The Charity made one significant additional one-off donation during the financial year in addition to the part funding of the running costs of the Trust School at Vananasi. This was for £23,020 to fund the cost of the construction of the ground floor classrooms on the site adjacent to the existing school. Despite this one-off cost, the Charity's cash at the bank increased from £106,297 to £170,138.

As at March 2023, the Trust is educating c 435 Children, with 210 in nursery and primary and 175 in evening school. There are a further 50 as full boarders with children aged 6-19. In addition, the Trust is continuing to run a sewing centre and is helping to improve the seamstress skills of 50 women. The Charity currently funds c 70% (70% in 2022) of the running cost of the school, with the balancing funds required raised in India. As well as getting underway with the construction of additional classrooms, the Trust has now applied for, and received, government accreditation. This allows for the provision of certificates to transfer to other schools and are valid for university applications. In conjunction with this, the Trust has started to run classes for years 6 and 7 so that the existing primary school pupils can continue their education as they go through the school.

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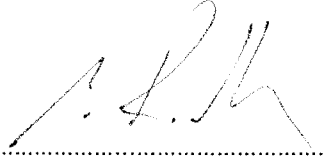
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M Ridley (For and on behalf of the Trustees)

8/1/24

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Date

YOGA MISSION

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF YOGA MISSION

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Knill James LLP

M A Filsell FCA

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Chartered Accountants
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Dated: 12 January 2024

YOGA MISSION

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

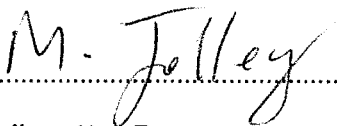
| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Income from: | | |
| Charitable activities | 129,419 | 76,894 |
| Other income | 474 | 58 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total income | 129,893 | 76,952 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Expenditure on: | | |
| Raising funds | 216 | 225 |
| Governance costs – Independent examination | 816 | 744 |
| Charitable activities | 65,020 | 52,020 |
| Loans repaid | - | 18,270 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total resources expended | 66,052 | 71,259 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net receipts for the year / Net movement in funds | 63,841 | 5,693 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Cash at bank and in hand at 1 April 2022 | 106,297 | 100,604 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Cash at bank and in hand at 31 March 2023 | 170,138 | 106,297 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

YOGA MISSION

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

| | 2023 | | 2022 | |
|---|---------|----------------|---------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 170,138 | | 106,297 | |
| Total assets | | <u>170,138</u> | | <u>106,297</u> |
| | | | | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | | <u>900</u> | | <u>816</u> |



M Jolley - Hon Treasurer

(For and on behalf of the Trustees)

YOGA MISSION

England & Wales - Charity number 1133059

Accounts

YOGA MISSION
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

YOGA MISSION

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees

Mr Mark Ridley
Mr Matthew Thomas Jolley
Mr Nicholas David Pople
Ms Hazel Ann Lawrence
Mr Luke Ridley

Charity number

1133059

Principal address

11 St Maur Road
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SW6 4DR

Independent examiner

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Bankers

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YOGA MISSION

TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022.

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Charity was constituted by Trust deed dated 30 September 2008. The Charity registration number is 1133059.

OBJECTIVES FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT

The objects of the Charity are:

- To advance religion according to Dharmic principles
- To advance education in accordance with Dharmic principles
- To relieve poverty and need
- To promote the preservation of health

The Yoga Mission ("the Charity") is a fundraising charity in the UK on behalf of the Chandramauli Trust, an Indian based charity (www.chandramauli.org). The Chandramauli Trust ("the Trust") runs a school for under-privileged children in Varanasi, India. Currently the Trust educates c. 435 children with 210 (2021 – 200) children in nursery, kindergarten and year one to five, 50 (2021 – 50) full time residential students and has 175 (2021 – 175) children registered for an after-school club. The Trust also runs a sewing centre, teaching sewing skills to 50 women (2021 -50).

It costs approximately £4,800 (2021 - £4,500) per calendar month to run the school, 70% of which is now funded by the Charity, which currently sends monthly donations of £3,500 (2021 – £3,500) to the Trust.

Both the Charity and the Trust were set up by Lucy Guest, a UK national who runs the Chandramauli Trust in India on a day to day basis and also raises awareness and encourages donations to the Charity in the UK.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

TRUSTEES AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Trustees and Committee members who served during the year were as follows:-

Mr Mark Ridley
Mr Matthew Thomas Jolley
Mr Nicholas David Pople
Mr Hazel Ann Lawrence
Mr Luke Ridley

There must be at least three Trustees. Every Trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the Trustees passed at a special meeting. In seeking individuals for appointment as Trustees, the Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Charity.

None of the Trustees requested or received any remuneration for their services or any reimbursement for their expenses during the year ending 31 March 2022.

YOGA MISSION

TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Over the year, the Charity raised £76,952 in donations (2021: £90,851) and distributed £52,020 (2021: £42,000) to the Trust. These revenues came from a mixture of monthly donations, single donations/one off fundraising activities and gift aid receipts from HMRC.

The Charity made two significant additional one off donations during financial year in addition to the part funding of the running costs of the Trust School at Vananasi. One of these was for £18,270 to repay a loan made in 2018 for a deposit on land at the edge of Varanasi, where the Trust is looking to set up a larger and self-sustained home in the future. The other, for £10,020 was a one off donation to the Trust for a new water supply, for one off repairs and re-painting and to cover extra Covid related costs of medicines and food parcels for families. Despite these one off costs, the Charity's cash at the bank increased slightly from £100,604 to £106,297. In part, this is due to a delay in final registration of the FCRA Bank Account by the Indian Government which is preventing us from sending larger donations made to fund building work on the plot adjacent to the school to expand the number of available class rooms.

As at March 2022, the Trust is educating c 435 Children, with 210 in nursery and primary and 175 in evening school. There are a further 50 as full boarders with children aged 6-19. In addition, the Trust is continuing to run a sewing centre and is helping to improve the seamstress skills of 50 women. The Charity currently funds c 70% (70% in 2021) of the running cost of the school, with the balancing funds required raised in India. Covid continued to affect the running of the school for the first half of the year, with staff and residential pupils locked down in the school and day school children taught remotely with a mixture of distribution of worksheets and online. Approximately 20 families also received food donations from the Trust during this period. Despite the Covid interruptions, the school managed to add an additional Class 5, with the aim of adding a further Class 6 in the following year and achieving full government accreditation.

The Charity continues to keep the cost of running itself to a minimum, with total costs of £71,259 for the year – of which £744 relate to governance costs being accountant's fees for the yearly examination and the yearly statement of account, and raising funds costs totalling £225 for the Just Giving account. The Trustees continue to carry out all the administration of the Charity and the Trustees are not claiming for expenses, maximising funds available for distribution.

In terms of governance, with the election of Luke Ridley at the May 2020 Trustee meeting, the number of Trustees back up to five and in line with the strategy set out in the 2019 report.

Looking forward

The Charity will continue to target increasing its monthly donations to fund the school in Varanasi to reflect the increasing number of pupils at the school. This will require us to increase our average monthly donation from £3,500 pcm to cover 70 of the 200 day school pupils not currently sponsored by donations to the Charity. The Charity also intends to use part of its accumulated surplus to provide capital funding for the start of building on the Trust owned plot adjacent to the school for expansion. The Trust also needs to raise money to complete the purchase of the plot of land at the edge of Varanasi over which they have paid a deposit and which is intended as a long term self-sufficient and sustainable home for the school.

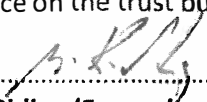
The anticipated capital donation by the Charity to the Trust is being delayed until the final registration of the Trust's FCRA bank account. Although, the Trust received FCRA approval on the 24th of November 2020, this final step has been delayed by Covid disruption and a subsequent corruption scandal at the FCRA. The latest estimated date for receiving final certification is May 2023. This will allow money to be sent to Trust as

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opposed to via Lucy Guest. It will help the Charity to put itself on a firmer long term footing and allow less reliance on the trust built up via long personal association between the current Trustees and Lucy Guest.


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M Ridley (For and on behalf of the Trustees)


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Date

YOGA MISSION

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF YOGA MISSION

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Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Dated: *16 January 2023*

YOGA MISSION

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

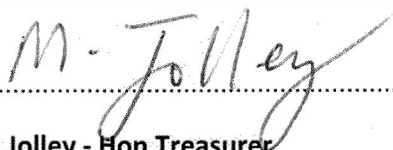
| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| <u>Income from:</u> | | |
| Charitable activities | 76,894 | 90,851 |
| Other income | 58 | 38 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total income | 76,952 | 90,889 |
| | | |
| <u>Expenditure on:</u> | | |
| Raising funds | 225 | 216 |
| Governance costs – Independent examination | 744 | 720 |
| Charitable activities | 52,020 | 42,000 |
| Loans repaid | 18,270 | - |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total resources expended | 71,259 | 42,936 |
| | | |
| Net receipts for the year / Net movement in funds | 5,693 | 47,953 |
| | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand at 1 April 2021 | 100,604 | 52,651 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Cash at bank and in hand at 31 March 2022 | 106,297 | 100,604 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

YOGA MISSION

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

| | 2022 | | 2021 | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 106,297 | | 100,604 | |
| Total assets | <u>106,297</u> | <u>106,297</u> | <u>100,604</u> | <u>100,604</u> |
| | | | | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | | <u>816</u> | | <u>744</u> |



M Jolley - Hon Treasurer

(For and on behalf of the Trustees)

YOGA MISSION

England & Wales - Charity number 1133059

Accounts

YOGA MISSION
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

YOGA MISSION

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees

Mr Mark Ridley
Mr Matthew Thomas Jolley
Mr Nicholas David Pople
Ms Hazel Ann Lawrence
Mr Luke Ridley (appointed 20 May 2020)

Charity number 1133059

Principal address

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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It costs approximately £4,500 (2020 - £4,500) per calendar month to run the school, 70% of which is now funded by the Charity, which currently sends monthly donations of £3,500 (2020 – £3,000) to the Trust.

Both the Charity and the Trust were set up by Lucy Guest, a UK national who runs the Chandramauli Trust in India on a day to day basis and also raises awareness and encourages donations to the Charity in the UK.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

TRUSTEES AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Trustees and Committee members who served during the year were as follows:-

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Mr Matthew Thomas Jolley
Mr Nicholas David Pople
Ms Hazel Ann Lawrence
Mr Luke Ridley (appointed on 20 May 2020)

There must be at least three Trustees. Every Trustee must be appointed by a resolution of the Trustees passed at a special meeting. In seeking individuals for appointment as Trustees, the Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Charity.

None of the Trustees requested or received any remuneration for their services or any reimbursement for their expenses during the years ending 31 March 2021 or 31 March 2020.

YOGA MISSION

TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Over the year, the Charity raised £90,851 in donations (2020: £80,322) and distributed £42,000 (2020: £62,068) to the Trust. These revenues came from a mixture of monthly donations, single donations/one off fundraising activities and gift aid receipts from HMRC.

The Charity did not provide significant additional one off donations during the financial year in addition to the part funding of the running costs of the Trust School at Varanasi. On this basis, the Charity's cash at the bank increased from £52,651 to £100,604. In part, this is due to a delay in final registration of the FCRA Bank Account by the Indian Government and additionally because of the physical closure of the school during the year (save for the boarding pupils), both as a result of Covid disruption.

As at 31 March 2021, the Trust is educating c 425 Children, with 200 in nursery and primary and 175 in evening school. There are a further 50 as full boarders with children aged 4-17. In addition, the Trust is continuing to run a sewing centre and is helping to improve the seamstress skills of 50 women. The Charity currently funds c 70% (65% in 2020) of the running cost of the school, with the balancing funds required raised in India. Because of the physical closure of the school due to Covid, the Charity's funds part supported the remote programmes, including online classes where feasible, the physical distribution of daily work packs and distribution of 23 kg of food rations per month.

The Charity continues to keep the cost of running itself to a minimum, with total costs of £936 for the year – effectively £720 of accountant's fees for the yearly examination and the yearly statement of account, and the balance being fees totalling £216 for the Just Giving account. The Trustees continue to carry out all the administration of the Charity and the Trustees are not claiming for expenses, maximising funds available for distribution.

In terms of governance, Luke Ridley was elected as a Trustee at the May 2020 Trustee meeting, bringing the number of Trustees back up to five and in line with the strategy set out in the 2019 report.

Looking forward

The Charity will continue to target increasing its monthly donations to fund the school in Varanasi to reflect the increasing number of pupils at the school. This will require us to increase our average monthly donation from £3,500 pcm. Additionally, we will pay close attention to any request from the Trust for one off Covid 19 related funding. The Charity also intends to use part of its accumulated surplus to provide capital funding for the start of building on the Trust owned plot adjacent to the school for expansion and additionally to fund a backlog of various one off maintenance and renewal items.

The anticipated capital donation to the Trust is being delayed until the final registration of the Trust's FCRA bank account. Although, the Trust received FCRA approval on the 24th of November 2020, this final step has been delayed by Covid disruption. This will allow money to be sent to Trust as opposed to via Lucy Guest. It will help the Charity to put itself on a firmer long term footing and allow less reliance on the trust built up via long personal association between the current Trustees and Lucy Guest.


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M Ridley (For and on behalf of the Trustees)

3/2/21
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Date

YOGA MISSION
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF YOGA MISSION

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 4 to 5.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Knill James LLP

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Knill James LLP

Chartered Accountants
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Dated: *11 February 2022*

YOGA MISSION

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

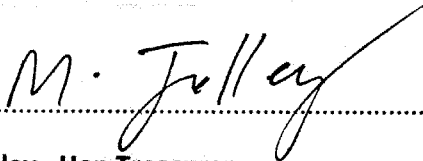
| | 2021 | 2020 |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Income from: | | |
| Charitable activities | 90,851 | 80,322 |
| Other income | 38 | 29 |
| Total income | <u>90,889</u> | <u>80,351</u> |
| Expenditure on: | | |
| Raising funds | 216 | 600 |
| Governance costs – Independent examination | 720 | 696 |
| Charitable activities | 42,000 | 62,068 |
| Total resources expended | <u>42,936</u> | <u>63,364</u> |
| Net receipts for the year / Net movement in funds | 47,953 | 16,987 |
| Cash at bank and in hand at 1 April 2020 | <u>52,651</u> | <u>35,664</u> |
| Cash at bank and in hand at 31 March 2021 | <u>100,604</u> | <u>52,651</u> |

YOGA MISSION

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

| | 2021 | | 2020 | |
|---|---------|----------------|--------|---------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 100,604 | | 52,651 | |
| Total assets | | <u>100,604</u> | | <u>52,651</u> |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | | <u>744</u> | | <u>720</u> |



M Jolley - Hon Treasurer

(For and on behalf of the Trustees)