

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

# YOGA MISSION

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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**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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**Independent examiner**

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# **YOGA MISSION**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021.

#### **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 grant giving charity that raises funds in the UK on behalf of the Chandramauli Trust, an Indian based charity ([www.chandramauli.org](http://www.chandramauli.org)). The Chandramauli Trust ("the Trust") runs a school for under-privileged children in Varanasi, India. Currently the Trust educates c. 425 children with 200 (2020 – 110) children in nursery, kindergarten and year one to three, 50 (2020 – 45) full time residential students and has 175 (2020 – 170) children registered for an after-school club. The Trust also runs a sewing centre, teaching sewing skills to 50 women (2020 - 50).

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:-

Mr Mark Ridley  
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.

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### 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 24<sup>th</sup> 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.

  
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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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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Dated: 11 February 2022

# YOGA MISSION

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

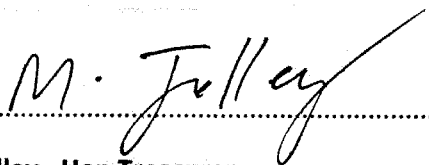
	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>		
Charitable activities	90,851	80,322
Other income	38	29
<b>Total income</b>	<u>90,889</u>	<u>80,351</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Raising funds	216	600
Governance costs – Independent examination	720	696
Charitable activities	42,000	62,068
<b>Total resources expended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

# YOGA MISSION

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

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



M Jolley - Hon Treasurer

(For and on behalf of the Trustees)