



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2023		31	12	2023

### Section A

### Reference and administration details

Charity name	Vanik Council (UK)
Other names charity is known by	VCUK
Registered charity number (if any)	1137083
Charity's principal address	37 Howberry Road Edgware  Postcode HA8 6SS

#### 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	M L Mehta	Chair		Trustees are elected by the Council that is made up of the representatives of the affiliated associations
2	Mrs P M Mehta	General Secretary		
3	J T Shah	Treasurer		
4	N Mehta	Vice-Chair North		
5	R V Shah	Vice-Chair Midlands		
6	V H Sheth	Vice-Chair London		
7	Prakash Mehta	Vice-Chair South		
8	A C Mehta	Deputy General Secretary		
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)

Other members on the Executive Committee

Mr B H Mehta, Mr K Batavia, Mr M S Gandhi, Mrs R Mehta, Mrs S. Varia, Mr P H Mehta, Mrs J Vora

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees (Honorary Officers) are elected by the Council that is made up of the representatives of the member associations

### 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.

This charity also acts as an umbrella body, with representatives appointed from its associated bodies throughout the UK. All these associated bodies are themselves associations of Jain and/or Vaishnav Vanik community, with aims and objects that are like ours. Council is made up of the representatives nominated by the associated bodies. Executive committee members are elected by the council.

## Section C Objectives and activities

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

To advance the Jain and Vaishnav faiths  
To advance the arts, culture, and heritage of the Vanik community  
To provide funds, goods and services to relieve sickness and financial hardship  
To advance education

**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)**

Trustees follow the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity commission to set the Charity's objectives and plan its activities accordingly.

**Living Kidney Donation project**

The Living Kidney Donation project that started last year continued till June this year and a new project for Living Donation was initiated in April.

Promotion of Living Kidney Donation within the Jain and Hindu communities in the UK was carried out in various ways such as

- in-person gathering at Manchester,
- during various gatherings of the community,
- within the patients visiting three GP surgeries in NW London
- launching of Peer Support scheme for Kidney patients in Manchester area who are waiting for a living kidney donation,
- creating new promotional material and distributing the same within the community.

The activity has been supported by the funding from NHSBT

**Befriending support to lonely and sick:**

The aim of this project is to provide social contact to lonely adults within our community; spiritual and religious care to sick people and give support to and signpost mentally ill people to the appropriate agencies to provide safeguarding assistance. This activity benefits both the Jain and Hindu communities, men, and women, young as well as elderly.

Lonely adults are given friendly support by our eight volunteers.

**Youth gathering:**

There had been two gatherings this year of the youth from Jain and Hindu communities These were held in April and November

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

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

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

#### Living Kidney donation

- 1700 people attended various in-person talks.
- 9000 people noticed our display material during various gatherings
- Attendees at in-person gathering were given more information through Question-and-Answer session.
- Some came forward to mention that they will consider donating their kidney.

#### Befriending:

- Our volunteers are trained to support lonely adults and sick members of the community.
- Eight volunteers are registered for DBS.
- 6 elderly people are registered for the service
- promoted our service through GP surgeries.

#### Youth gathering:

- 400 youth attended, made new friends

## Section E

## Financial review

<b>Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves</b>	The charity aims to maintain its free reserves to around £150,000; this level is reviewed annually This is considered sufficient to protect the ongoing work programme and allows time for re-organisation in the event of a major downturn affecting the future income stream. Currently unrestricted free reserves amount to £54,202 and restricted funds to £121,285.
<b>Details of any funds materially in deficit</b>	None

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**



<p>You <b>may choose</b> to include additional information, where relevant about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);</li> <li>how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;</li> <li>investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.</li> </ul>	
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**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

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Manharlal Mehta	Jaykumar Shah
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	07/09/2024	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Vanik Council (UK)

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> December 2023

Charity no  
(if any) 1137083

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023.

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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [ ] if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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Signed:

Date:

7/9/2024

Name:

Vimal Shah, PSJ Alexander & Co

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body

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## Section B Disclosure

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.**



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
Vanik Council UK

No (if any)  
1137083

## Receipts and payments accounts

**CC16a**

For the period  
from

Period start date  
01/01/2023

To

Period end date  
31/12/2023

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Membership & Affiliation (Subscription)	290		-	290	730
Matrimonial Reg.	1,821		-	1,821	70
Speed Dating (youth Gathering)	11,663		-	11,663	6,477
General Donations	-		-	-	-
Community Health		1,398		1,398	1,031
Live Kidney donation NHSBT funding		19,000		19,000	20,277
		-	-	-	-
Interest Received	612	2,279	-	2,891	780
Others		200	-	200	1,041
Donated Services (Independent Examiner)	800			800	800
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>15,186</b>	<b>22,877</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>38,063</b>	<b>31,206</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
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<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Matrimonial Register	48		-	48	-
Patra Parichaya (youth Gathering)	11,937		-	11,937	6,826
	-		-	-	-
Bank Charges	-		-	-	-
Jain Spiritual care	-	257		257	75
		-	-	-	-
Insurance	306		-	306	306
Befriending Services	304		-	304	124
Living Kidney Donation Promotion		10,542		10,542	7,789
Gen. Expen	1,795		-	1,795	1,421
Others			-	-	-
Independent Examiner's fee	800			800	800
			-	-	-
Jainism Promotion		356		356	10,108
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>15,190</b>	<b>11,155</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,345</b>	<b>27,249</b>
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	-	-	-	-	-
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<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>11,722</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,718</b>	<b>3,957</b>
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<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>54,206</b>	<b>109,563</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>163,769</b>	<b>159,812</b>
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CCXX R1 accounts (SS)



## 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	Directory Fund and Web design	-	5,043	-
	Jainism Promotion Fund	-	66,993	-
	Jain Spiritual Care	-	-	-
	Community Health Plan	-	28,043	-
	Living Kidney Donation promotion	-	8,458	-
	Organ Donation	-	12,748	-
	General Fund	54,202	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>				

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf  
of all the trustees

**Signature**

Print Name

Date of approval

MANHARLAL MEHTA  
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**Signature**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

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