



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/08/2021 Period start date To 31/7/2022 Period end date

Charity name: Confucius & Tao Association (UK)

Charity registration number: 1138997

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	OBJECTIVES OF THE CHARITY : The objects of the charity are: 1. To advance religion for the public benefit by promoting Buddhism and the teachings of the great Tao 2. To promote the mental or spiritual improvement of the community for the public benefit by sponsoring the teachings of Confucius 3. To promote religious and racial harmony for the public benefit by enhancing mutual understanding amongst all races and cultures in the United Kingdom 4. To relieve those in need by provision of charitable, physical or moral assistance, for the public benefit
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The trustees have considered their duty as outlined in Section 4 of the Companies Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The purpose of the charity is enshrined in its objectives as outlined above. The trustees ensure that this purpose is carried out for the public benefit by delivering a range of suitable activities.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees are responsible for the general control and management of the charity. One person is appointed as the Chairperson of the trustees and duties and responsibilities are allocated amongst the trustees and members. Meetings of the trustees are held throughout the year to deal with matters relating to the running of the charity and activities for members. The charity does not have any employees as its work is carried out by the trustees and its members and volunteers.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During the period under review, the organisation continued with its usual charitable activities .The tea bar Lotus Bloom Café has re-opened in June 2022 after the renovation was completed. Most charitable activities including fundraising have been conducted online where possible including seminars, praying and chanting post COVID-19. There was no further progress in the year on the re-submission of the application to the local Council for the change of use of the property. All formal activities relating to using the premises as a place of worship until the outcome of the future resubmission of the planning permission is known have continued to be suspended during the year to date. The charity operates in London but has informal links with other independent charity organisations based in Birmingham and Glasgow. Fundraising was carried out in those locations for the charity

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity had a surplus of £33981 (2021 Surplus £13,321)) for the year. Total incoming resources for the year amounted to £112,452 (2021 £78,158). As 31 July 2022, the total reserves of the charity amounted to £454,502 (2021 £416,129).
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustees have examined the requirement for free reserves which are those unrestricted funds not invested in fixed assets, designated for special purposes or otherwise committed. The trustees consider that there are sufficient unrestricted funds to carry out the activities of the charity and to meet its running costs for at least 6 months ahead
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Each of the above trustees is also a member and director of the company and each is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The trustees have assessed the Going Concern position of the Charity in the light of COVID-19 and appropriate measures have continued to be in force to ensure the safety of all supporters and those who have dealings with the organisation during the year under review.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The charity's investment powers are governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. This permits the charity's funds to be invested in investments, securities or property as may be thought fit but only after obtaining appropriate advice from a Financial Expert.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Name of any person

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Confucius & Tao Association (UK)
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1138997

Charity's principal address	47 Shernhall Street, London, E17 3EY

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	MR MUN HOONG CHIN			
2	CAIYING HE			
3	TAK YEUNG CHEUNG			
4	HUI GOH PHUA			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	The charity was successful in purchasing the Freehold property at The Lord Broke, 47 Shernhall Street, Walthamstow in July 2014. The purchase of the property was completed in August 2014. The cost of the Freehold Property was £740,000. With related professional and other costs of £4,259, the total costs of the Freehold Property amounted to £744,259. Further costs were spent on improving the property and converting it into suitable accommodation for the charity, including completing the fitting out of it with fixtures and equipment. In the year under review, costs were incurred relating to the work needed to create a tea bar on the premises. At 31 July 2022, the total costs incurred amounted to £834,712 (Note 2). Depreciation has been provided on the buildings element of the cost. The original purchase and subsequent improvement costs were funded by donations specifically for this purpose. As at 31 July 2022 the total loans relating to the property that have been generously provided by supporters of the charity amounted to £126,780(2021 £190,780) These are interest free loans with no fixed repayment terms.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	H.G.PHUA	
Full name(s)	HUI GOH PHUA	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TRUSTEE	
Date	07/06/22	

CONFUCIUS & TAO ASSOCIATION (UK)

**(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE WITH NO SHARE CAPITAL AND A REGISTERED
CHARITY)**

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

for the year ended 31 July 2022

COMPANY NO: 07323872 (ENGLAND & WALES)

REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1138997

CONFUCIUS & TAO ASSOCIATION (UK)
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REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
For the year ended 31 JULY 2022

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OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS
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Trustees/Directors	D M H Chin (Chairman) C Y He T Y Cheung H G Phua (Treasurer)
Company Number	07323872 (England & Wales)
Registered Charity Number	1138997
Registered Office	The Lord Brooke 47 Shernhall Street Walthamstow London E17 3EY
Charity's address	The Lord Brooke 47 Shernhall Street Walthamstow London E17 3EY
Independent Examiner	Mei Sim Lai OBE DL FCA FCCA LaiPeters & Co Chartered Accountants Suite A 6 Honduras Street London EC1Y 0TH
Bankers	HSBC Bank Canada Place Canary Wharf London E14 5AH

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 July 2022.

CONSTITUTION

Confucius Tao Association (UK) is a company limited by guarantee with no share capital incorporated on 22 July 2010. The company was granted charity status on 12 November 2010 and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CHARITY

The objects of the charity are:

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2. To promote the mental or spiritual improvement of the community for the public benefit by sponsoring the teachings of Confucius
3. To promote religious and racial harmony for the public benefit by enhancing mutual understanding amongst all races and cultures in the United Kingdom
4. To relieve those in need by provision of charitable, physical or moral assistance, for the public benefit

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The trustees have considered their duty as outlined in Section 4 of the Companies Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The purpose of the charity is enshrined in its objectives as outlined above. The trustees ensure that this purpose is carried out for the public benefit by delivering a range of suitable activities.

GOVERNANCE AND ORGANISATION

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DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES

The trustees who have served during the year under review and to the date of signing these accounts are:

D M H Chin (Chairman)
C Y He
T Y Cheung
H G Phua (Treasurer)

Each of the above trustees is also a member and director of the company and each is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees are aware of the major operational and business risks which the charity faces and are confident that adequate systems are in place to mitigate any significant risks.

GOING CONCERN AND IMPACT OF COVID-19 DURING 2021/2022

The trustees have assessed the Going Concern position of the Charity in the light of COVID-19 and appropriate measures have continued to be in force to ensure the safety of all supporters and those who have dealings with the organisation during the year under review.

RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have examined the requirement for free reserves which are those unrestricted funds not invested in fixed assets, designated for special purposes or otherwise committed. The trustees consider that there are sufficient unrestricted funds to carry out the activities of the charity and to meet its running costs for at least 6 months ahead.

INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY

The charity's investment powers are governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. This permits the charity's funds to be invested in investments, securities or property as may be thought fit but only after obtaining appropriate advice from a Financial Expert.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES DURING 2021/2022

During the period under review, the organisation continued with its usual charitable activities. The tea bar Lotus Bloom Café has re-opened in June 2022 after the renovation was completed. Most charitable activities including fundraising have been conducted online where possible including seminars, praying and chanting post COVID-19.

There was no further progress in the year on the re-submission of the application to the local Council for the change of use of the property. All formal activities relating to using the premises as a place of worship until the outcome of the future resubmission of the planning permission is known have continued to be suspended during the year to date.

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PURCHASE OF FREEHOLD PROPERTY FOR USE BY THE CHARITY

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

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The charity submitted a planning application to its local Council, the London Borough of Waltham Forest for change of use of the property from A4 to D1 use. The application was rejected by the Council on 27 January 2016. The trustees were disappointed with the Council's decision and have obtained professional advice on the next course of action. Further consultations with the Council have since taken place but at the date of these accounts the planning application has not yet been resubmitted.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity had a surplus of £33,981 (2021 £13,231) for the year. Total incoming resources for the year amounted to £112,452 (2021 £78,158). As at 31 July 2022, the total reserves of the charity amounted to £454,502 (2021 £420,521).

FUTURE PLANS & DEVELOPMENTS

The trustees continue to review and monitor the situation as regards the use of the property to carry out its charitable work and efforts are being made to raise more funds from its supporters. The local Council granted a rental Licence on the flat in the property in March 2023.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors/trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the directors/trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure. In preparing these financial statements the directors/trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of accounting practice have been followed, subject to any departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis and in accordance with applicable accounting standards unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The directors/trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 6 June 2023 and signed on its behalf by

H G PHUA
Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
For the year ended 31 July 2022

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I report on the financial statements of Confucius & Tao Association (UK) ("the charity") for the year ended 31 July 2022 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The trustees of the charity (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the financial statements. The trustees of the charity consider that an audit is not required for the year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act")) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, I have:

- examined the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- followed the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- stated whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directives given by the Charity Commission and regulation 11 of the 2006 Regulations. 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 financial statements and seeks explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006 which are consistent with the method and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached

Mei Sim Lai OBE DL FCA FCCA
LaiPeters & Co, Chartered Accountants
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6 Honduras Street
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6 June 2023

CONFUCIUS & TAO ASSOCIATION (UK)
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the year ended 31 July 2022

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	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated Funds					
<i>Voluntary income</i>					
Donations , grants and other incoming resources	3	112,440	-	112,440	78,111
Interest receivable	3		12	12	47
Total incoming resources		112,440	12	112,452	78,158
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds	4	11,787		11,787	6,603
Charitable activities		18,924	47,760	66,684	58,334
Total resources expended		30,711	47,760	78,471	64,927
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		81,729	(47,748)	33,981	13,231
Total funds brought forward		329,737	90,784	420,521	407,290
Total funds carried forward		411,436	43,036	454,502	420,521

The charity had no gains or losses during the year other than those shown above. All the above results are derived from continuing activities

The notes on pages 6 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

CONFUCIUS & TAO ASSOCIATION (UK)**(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE WITH NO SHARE CAPITAL AND A REGISTERED CHARITY)****BALANCE SHEET****31 July 2022**

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	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	2	520,702	550,320
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	5,605	5,520
Cash at bank & in hand		<u>56,075</u>	<u>56,521</u>
		61,680	62,041
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year			
Creditors and Loans	9,10	<u>(127,880)</u>	<u>(191,840)</u>
		<u>(66,200)</u>	<u>(129,799)</u>
		<u>454,502</u>	<u>420,521</u>
RESERVES			
Unrestricted funds		411,466	329,737
Restricted funds	11	<u>43,036</u>	<u>90,784</u>
TOTAL RESERVES		<u>454,502</u>	<u>420,521</u>

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) confirm that for the year ended 31 July 2022:

- The company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act")
- Members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner whose report appears on page 5.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 6 June 2023 and signed on behalf of the Board of trustees by:

H G PHUA

Trustee

Company no : 07323872 (England & Wales)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation of accounts

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice and Reporting by Charities - SORP FRS102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland.

Going Concern

The trustees have considered the going concern of the charity particularly in the light of the pandemic and its impact on cashflows. They have come to the conclusion that the charity has adequate resources to continue in business for the next 12 months.

(b) Incoming resources

Income representing the value of gifts, donations and contributions from members is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.

(c) Resources expended

Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered

(d) Unrestricted and Restricted Funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other income receivable or generated for the charity without a specified purpose and are available for the general use of the charity.

Restricted Funds are funds subject to specific restrictions imposed by donors or by the purpose of the appeal. The purpose and use of the restricted funds is set out in the notes to these accounts.

(e) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the costs of fixed assets, less their residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Freehold buildings	5% straight line
Fixtures and equipment	25% reducing balance

(f) Foreign exchange

Transactions in respect of donations from overseas, denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling and recorded at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction.

Balances at the year end denominated in a foreign currency are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange at the balance sheet date.

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2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property £	Fixtures and Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At beginning of year	829,536	80,991	910,527
Additions during year	5,175	12,966	18,142
Cost at end of year	<u>834,712</u>	<u>93,957</u>	<u>928,669</u>
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	290,339	69,868	360,207
Charge for year	41,736	6,024	47,760
At end of year	<u>332,075</u>	<u>75,892</u>	<u>407,967</u>
Net Book Value			
31 July 2022	<u>502,637</u>	<u>18,065</u>	<u>520,702</u>
31 July 2021	<u>539,197</u>	<u>11,123</u>	<u>550,320</u>

In the opinion of the trustees the current market value of the freehold property is well in excess of £1million based on increases in property prices in the area but in the absence of a formal valuation the actual amount is not known.

3. INCOMING RESOURCES

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
Unrestricted donations	89,260	64,442
Sale of donated and other goods	13,934	7,757
Tea Bar	3,771	392
Gift Aid recoverable	5,256	5,520
Uniforms	219	
Total unrestricted incoming resources	<u>112,440</u>	<u>78,111</u>
Bank interest receivable - restricted	12	47
Total Incoming resources	<u>112,452</u>	<u>78,158</u>

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4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	2022	2021
	£	£
Raising funds:		
Cost of goods sold	8,253	5,816
Tea Bar costs	3,534	787
	<u>11,787</u>	<u>6,603</u>
Charitable activities		
Meetings, events and seminar expenses	-	-
Support costs:		
Utilities	10,739	7,442
Insurance	2,178	1,705
Professional Fees	949	100
Printing & Stationery	131	-
General Expenses & office costs	3,827	2,933
Governance costs	1,100	960
Total cost of charitable activities (unrestricted)	<u>18,924</u>	<u>13,140</u>
Depreciation of Freehold buildings (restricted)	41,736	41,477
Depreciation of Fixtures and Equipment (restricted)	<u>6,024</u>	<u>3707</u>
Total cost of charitable activities	<u>78,471</u>	<u>64,927</u>

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Independent Examiner's Fee (including VAT)	1,100	960

6 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

The trustees are not remunerated and no expenses were claimed by the trustees during the year.

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Prepayment	349	-
Gift Aid recoverable	<u>5,256</u>	<u>5,520</u>
	<u>5,605</u>	<u>5,520</u>

8. CASH AT BANK

	2020	2021
	£	£
Cash in hand	200	-
Cash at Bank- Current account	55,589	34,772
Cash at Bank- Savings account	<u>286</u>	<u>21,799</u>
	<u>56,075</u>	<u>56,521</u>

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9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	20210
	£	£
Accruals	<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,060</u>

10. LOANS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Loans to assist with the purchase of a building for use by the charity	<u>126,780</u>	<u>190,780</u>

The above loans have been provided by supporters of the charity on an interest free basis. No repayment terms have been fixed as this will be mutually decided and applied at the appropriate date.

11. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	2022	2021
	£	£
BUILDING FUND		
At beginning of year	90,784	135,921
Net increase in year	12	47
Depreciation of buildings and Fixtures & Equipment for year	(47,760)	(45,184)
At end of year	<u>43,036</u>	<u>90,784</u>

12. CONTROL

The charitable company was controlled during the year by the board of directors/trustees.

13. RELATED PARTIES TRANSACTIONS

Donations were received from the Trustees during the year. Apart from this there were no other related parties transactions during the year.

14. EMPLOYEES

The charity did not have any employees during the period under review

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OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS
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Trustees/Directors	D M H Chin (Chairman) C Y He T Y Cheung H G Phua (Treasurer)
Company Number	07323872 (England & Wales)
Registered Charity Number	1138997
Registered Office	The Lord Brooke 47 Shernhall Street Walthamstow London E17 3EY
Charity's address	The Lord Brooke 47 Shernhall Street Walthamstow London E17 3EY
Independent Examiner	Mei Sim Lai OBE DL FCA FCCA LaiPeters & Co Chartered Accountants Suite A 6 Honduras Street London EC1Y 0TH
Bankers	HSBC Bank Canada Place Canary Wharf London E14 5AH

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 July 2022.

CONSTITUTION

Confucius Tao Association (UK) is a company limited by guarantee with no share capital incorporated on 22 July 2010. The company was granted charity status on 12 November 2010 and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CHARITY

The objects of the charity are:

1. To advance religion for the public benefit by promoting Buddhism and the teachings of the great Tao
2. To promote the mental or spiritual improvement of the community for the public benefit by sponsoring the teachings of Confucius
3. To promote religious and racial harmony for the public benefit by enhancing mutual understanding amongst all races and cultures in the United Kingdom
4. To relieve those in need by provision of charitable, physical or moral assistance, for the public benefit

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The trustees have considered their duty as outlined in Section 4 of the Companies Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The purpose of the charity is enshrined in its objectives as outlined above. The trustees ensure that this purpose is carried out for the public benefit by delivering a range of suitable activities.

GOVERNANCE AND ORGANISATION

The trustees are responsible for the general control and management of the charity. One person is appointed as the Chairperson of the trustees and duties and responsibilities are allocated amongst the trustees and members. Meetings of the trustees are held throughout the year to deal with matters relating to the running of the charity and activities for members. The charity does not have any employees as its work is carried out by the trustees and its members and volunteers.

DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES

The trustees who have served during the year under review and to the date of signing these accounts are:

D M H Chin (Chairman)
C Y He
T Y Cheung
H G Phua (Treasurer)

Each of the above trustees is also a member and director of the company and each is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees are aware of the major operational and business risks which the charity faces and are confident that adequate systems are in place to mitigate any significant risks.

GOING CONCERN AND IMPACT OF COVID-19 DURING 2021/2022

The trustees have assessed the Going Concern position of the Charity in the light of COVID-19 and appropriate measures have continued to be in force to ensure the safety of all supporters and those who have dealings with the organisation during the year under review.

RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have examined the requirement for free reserves which are those unrestricted funds not invested in fixed assets, designated for special purposes or otherwise committed. The trustees consider that there are sufficient unrestricted funds to carry out the activities of the charity and to meet its running costs for at least 6 months ahead.

INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY

The charity's investment powers are governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. This permits the charity's funds to be invested in investments, securities or property as may be thought fit but only after obtaining appropriate advice from a Financial Expert.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES DURING 2021/2022

During the period under review, the organisation continued with its usual charitable activities. The tea bar Lotus Bloom Café has re-opened in June 2022 after the renovation was completed. Most charitable activities including fundraising have been conducted online where possible including seminars, praying and chanting post COVID-19.

There was no further progress in the year on the re-submission of the application to the local Council for the change of use of the property. All formal activities relating to using the premises as a place of worship until the outcome of the future resubmission of the planning permission is known have continued to be suspended during the year to date.

The charity operates in London but has informal links with other independent charity organisations based in Birmingham and Glasgow. Fundraising was carried out in those locations for the charity.

PURCHASE OF FREEHOLD PROPERTY FOR USE BY THE CHARITY

The charity was successful in purchasing the Freehold property at The Lord Brooke, 47 Shernhall Street, Walthamstow in July 2014. The purchase of the property was completed in August 2014. The cost of the Freehold Property was £740,000. With related professional and other costs of £4,259, the total costs of the Freehold Property amounted to £744,259. Further costs were spent on improving the property and converting it into suitable accommodation for the charity, including completing the fitting out of it with fixtures and equipment. In the year under review, costs were incurred relating to the work needed to create a tea bar on the premises. At 31 July 2022, the total costs incurred amounted to £834,712 (Note 2). Depreciation has been provided on the buildings element of the cost. The original purchase and subsequent improvement costs were funded by donations specifically for this purpose. As at 31 July 2022 the total loans relating to the property that have been generously provided by supporters of the charity amounted to £126,780 (2021 £190,780) These are interest free loans with no fixed repayment terms.

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The charity submitted a planning application to its local Council, the London Borough of Waltham Forest for change of use of the property from A4 to D1 use. The application was rejected by the Council on 27 January 2016. The trustees were disappointed with the Council's decision and have obtained professional advice on the next course of action. Further consultations with the Council have since taken place but at the date of these accounts the planning application has not yet been resubmitted.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity had a surplus of £33,981 (2021 £13,231) for the year. Total incoming resources for the year amounted to £112,452 (2021 £78,158). As at 31 July 2022, the total reserves of the charity amounted to £454,502 (2021 £420,521).

FUTURE PLANS & DEVELOPMENTS

The trustees continue to review and monitor the situation as regards the use of the property to carry out its charitable work and efforts are being made to raise more funds from its supporters. The local Council granted a rental Licence on the flat in the property in March 2023.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors/trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the directors/trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure. In preparing these financial statements the directors/trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of accounting practice have been followed, subject to any departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis and in accordance with applicable accounting standards unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The directors/trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 6 June 2023 and signed on its behalf by

H G PHUA
Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
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I report on the financial statements of Confucius & Tao Association (UK) ("the charity") for the year ended 31 July 2022 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The trustees of the charity (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the financial statements. The trustees of the charity consider that an audit is not required for the year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act")) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, I have:

- examined the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- followed the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- stated whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directives given by the Charity Commission and regulation 11 of the 2006 Regulations. 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 financial statements and seeks explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006 which are consistent with the method and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached

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6 June 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
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	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated Funds					
<i>Voluntary income</i>					
Donations , grants and other incoming resources	3	112,440	-	112,440	78,111
Interest receivable	3		12	12	47
Total incoming resources		112,440	12	112,452	78,158
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds	4	11,787		11,787	6,603
Charitable activities		18,924	47,760	66,684	58,334
Total resources expended		30,711	47,760	78,471	64,927
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		81,729	(47,748)	33,981	13,231
Total funds brought forward		329,737	90,784	420,521	407,290
Total funds carried forward		411,436	43,036	454,502	420,521

The charity had no gains or losses during the year other than those shown above. All the above results are derived from continuing activities

The notes on pages 6 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

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	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	2	520,702	550,320
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	5,605	5,520
Cash at bank & in hand		<u>56,075</u>	<u>56,521</u>
		61,680	62,041
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year			
Creditors and Loans	9,10	<u>(127,880)</u>	<u>(191,840)</u>
		<u>(66,200)</u>	<u>(129,799)</u>
		<u>454,502</u>	<u>420,521</u>
RESERVES			
Unrestricted funds		411,466	329,737
Restricted funds	11	<u>43,036</u>	<u>90,784</u>
TOTAL RESERVES		<u>454,502</u>	<u>420,521</u>

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) confirm that for the year ended 31 July 2022:

- The company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act")
- Members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner whose report appears on page 5.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 6 June 2023 and signed on behalf of the Board of trustees by:

H G PHUA
Trustee
Company no : 07323872 (England & Wales)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation of accounts

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice and Reporting by Charities - SORP FRS102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland.

Going Concern

The trustees have considered the going concern of the charity particularly in the light of the pandemic and its impact on cashflows. They have come to the conclusion that the charity has adequate resources to continue in business for the next 12 months.

(b) Incoming resources

Income representing the value of gifts, donations and contributions from members is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.

(c) Resources expended

Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered

(d) Unrestricted and Restricted Funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other income receivable or generated for the charity without a specified purpose and are available for the general use of the charity.

Restricted Funds are funds subject to specific restrictions imposed by donors or by the purpose of the appeal. The purpose and use of the restricted funds is set out in the notes to these accounts.

(e) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the costs of fixed assets, less their residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Freehold buildings	5% straight line
Fixtures and equipment	25% reducing balance

(f) Foreign exchange

Transactions in respect of donations from overseas, denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling and recorded at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction.

Balances at the year end denominated in a foreign currency are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange at the balance sheet date.

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2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property £	Fixtures and Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At beginning of year	829,536	80,991	910,527
Additions during year	5,175	12,966	18,142
Cost at end of year	<u>834,712</u>	<u>93,957</u>	<u>928,669</u>
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	290,339	69,868	360,207
Charge for year	41,736	6,024	47,760
At end of year	<u>332,075</u>	<u>75,892</u>	<u>407,967</u>
Net Book Value			
31 July 2022	<u>502,637</u>	<u>18,065</u>	<u>520,702</u>
31 July 2021	<u>539,197</u>	<u>11,123</u>	<u>550,320</u>

In the opinion of the trustees the current market value of the freehold property is well in excess of £1million based on increases in property prices in the area but in the absence of a formal valuation the actual amount is not known.

3. INCOMING RESOURCES

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
Unrestricted donations	89,260	64,442
Sale of donated and other goods	13,934	7,757
Tea Bar	3,771	392
Gift Aid recoverable	5,256	5,520
Uniforms	219	
Total unrestricted incoming resources	<u>112,440</u>	<u>78,111</u>
Bank interest receivable - restricted	12	47
Total Incoming resources	<u>112,452</u>	<u>78,158</u>

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4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	2022	2021
	£	£
Raising funds:		
Cost of goods sold	8,253	5,816
Tea Bar costs	3,534	787
	<u>11,787</u>	<u>6,603</u>
Charitable activities		
Meetings, events and seminar expenses	-	-
Support costs:		
Utilities	10,739	7,442
Insurance	2,178	1,705
Professional Fees	949	100
Printing & Stationery	131	-
General Expenses & office costs	3,827	2,933
Governance costs	1,100	960
Total cost of charitable activities (unrestricted)	<u>18,924</u>	<u>13,140</u>
Depreciation of Freehold buildings (restricted)	41,736	41,477
Depreciation of Fixtures and Equipment (restricted)	6,024	3707
	<u>78,471</u>	<u>64,927</u>

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Independent Examiner's Fee (including VAT)	1,100	960

6 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

The trustees are not remunerated and no expenses were claimed by the trustees during the year.

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Prepayment	349	-
Gift Aid recoverable	<u>5,256</u>	<u>5,520</u>
	<u>5,605</u>	<u>5,520</u>

8. CASH AT BANK

	2020	2021
	£	£
Cash in hand	200	-
Cash at Bank- Current account	55,589	34,772
Cash at Bank- Savings account	<u>286</u>	<u>21,799</u>
	<u>56,075</u>	<u>56,521</u>

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9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	20210
	£	£
Accruals	<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,060</u>

10. LOANS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Loans to assist with the purchase of a building for use by the charity	<u>126,780</u>	<u>190,780</u>

The above loans have been provided by supporters of the charity on an interest free basis. No repayment terms have been fixed as this will be mutually decided and applied at the appropriate date.

11. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	2022	2021
	£	£
BUILDING FUND		
At beginning of year	90,784	135,921
Net increase in year	12	47
Depreciation of buildings and Fixtures & Equipment for year	(47,760)	(45,184)
At end of year	<u>43,036</u>	<u>90,784</u>

12. CONTROL

The charitable company was controlled during the year by the board of directors/trustees.

13. RELATED PARTIES TRANSACTIONS

Donations were received from the Trustees during the year. Apart from this there were no other related parties transactions during the year.

14. EMPLOYEES

The charity did not have any employees during the period under review