

**Athula Dassana Multi-Cultural Buddhist
Community Centre T/A Sahana**

**Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements
Registered Charity Number 1155139
31 December 2022**

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Report of the Trustees

INTRODUCTION

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Objectives of the Charity are to benefit the Buddhist Community and in particular to benefit those interested in the concepts of Buddhism. These objectives shall include the following:

- a) To advance the Theravada Buddhist religion for the public benefit in accordance with the doctrines and principles of Buddhist faith.
- b) The relief of poverty for the public benefit of people in particular but not exclusively in Sri Lanka.
- c) To provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the Interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of Individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.
- d) Promote social research and educational studies linked to Buddhist sociology. To discover the links between ancient and modern lifestyles while contemplating the theoretical and practicality of Buddhist principles in the current British society to handle socio-economic issues.

Significant activities

The main activities of the Charity are as follows:

- 1) General charitable purposes.
- 2) The advancement of health and savings of life.
- 3) The prevention or relief of poverty.
- 4) Overseas aid /famine relief.
- 5) Ecologic / community development/employment.
- 6) Education and training.
- 7) Cultural sporting activities.

Public benefit

In shaping the Charity's objectives for the year and planning the activities, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'. The Charity relies on donations and the income from school fees to cover its operating costs.

Grantmaking

The Charity provides donations to children, young people and the elderly.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

We encourage all members of our community to be Involved In voluntary activities and to share their skills with others. Volunteers are not paid any salaries but only reimbursement of reasonable out of pocket expenses such as travel cost. All those volunteers working with children or other vulnerable groups are CRB checked.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

How our activities deliver public benefit

A wide range of activities are carried out in pursuance of the charitable aims and objectives. The trustees consider that these activities, summarised below, provide benefit to the wider community.

Sport Activities

Elle festival, Sri Lankan traditional games, rugby, tug of war etc.

Cultural events

Promote cultural music and dance and Buddhist religious events.

Community events

To improve the local community that we live in, such as street cleaning, local planting etc.

Scholarships

Providing scholarships to under privileged children in developing countries.

Youth charitable groups

Working with youth charitable groups to improve their vocational training.

Dhamma School

To further the teachings of Buddhism to young children.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

The Charity's main sources of Income are collections of donations from the general public. During the year the Charity received total donations of £71,918 (2021 - £38,121). In addition the Charity has accounted for the estimated gift aid receivable of £6,000 (2021 - £6,649). Total Income before any expenses generated during the year amounting to £77,918 (2021 - £44,770).

Reserves policy

Unrestricted funds reserve is maintained to cover governance costs and to respond to various applications of grants and donations.

Restricted fund reserve is held to be used within certain restrictions of the relevant funds.

In setting up the Charity reserve policy, the trustees have Identified various unrestricted fund as detailed in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA). The restricted funds are distributed strictly In accordance with the religious restriction or other restrictions Imposed on the relevant fund.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the Accounting Policies.

FUTURE PLANS

We aim to continue our work and expanding our activities in order to pursue our charitable objectives, subject to availability of resources and means.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees are appointed by resolution of the existing trustees. When a new trustee is so appointed, a memorandum of his appointment shall be prepared.

Organisational structure

The Charity trustees are responsible for the general control and management of the Charity. The trustees give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other financial benefits. The trustees meet together as a body and are responsible for all decisions taken in relation to the affairs of Athula Dassana- Centre in the United Kingdom.

Induction and training of new trustees

Following appointment, new trustees are introduced to their new role and given copies of the trust deed and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by our Charity. A number of publications from the Charity Commission are also provided including the guidance on charities and public benefit and on the advancement of the religion for public benefit. This ensures that new trustees are aware of the scope of their responsibilities under the Charities Act. Initially, new trustees work with existing trustees assisting on particular activities and projects run by the Charity. After satisfactory feedback from existing trustees they are then given the task of leading a particular activity or project, reporting progress at trustees' meetings.

Related parties

The trustees consider the board of trustees as comprising the key management personnel of the Charity in charge of directing and controlling the Charity and running and operating the Charity on a day to day basis. All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee remuneration was paid in the year. Details of trustee expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in notes to the accounts.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the Charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The Trustees examine the major strategic, business and operational risks, which the Charity faces regularly. The Charity actively reviews the major risks which it faces on a regular basis and believes that maintaining reserves at current levels, combined with an annual review of the controls over key financial systems, will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions.

The Charity requires all its staff and people working for the Charity to complete appropriate Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) check. This policy is regularly reviewed for all those who work with children or other vulnerable groups within the community centre.

The trustees are satisfied that systems are in place, or arrangements are in hand, to manage the risks that have been identified.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1155139

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Athula Dassana Multi-Cultural Buddhist Community Centre T/A Sahana

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Athula Dassana Multi-Cultural Buddhist Community Centre

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Athula Dassana Multi-Cultural Buddhist Community Centre (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity trustees of the Trust 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

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 a '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 accounts to be reached.



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31 October 2023

Athula Dassana Multi-Cultural Buddhist Community Centre**T/A Sahana****Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements****31 December 2022****Statement of Financial Activities***for the year ended 31 December 2022*

				31.12.22	31.12.21
		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	73,358	4,560	77,918	44,770
Total		73,358	4,560	77,918	44,770
EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities					
Grants to individuals		-	-	-	7,295
Events		10,416	-	10,416	3,961
Religious Centre		60,092	-	60,092	37,113
Total		70,507	-	70,507	48,369
NET INCOME		2,851	4,560	7,411	(3,599)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		43,624	6,000	49,624	53,223
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		46,475	10,560	57,035	49,624

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.12.22 Total funds £	31.12.21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	47,761	-	47,761	47,227
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	6,014	-	6,014	11
Cash at bank		24,132	10,560	34,692	36,076
		<u>30,146</u>	<u>10,560</u>	<u>40,706</u>	<u>36,087</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(31,432)	-	(31,432)	(33,690)
NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		<u>(1,286)</u>	<u>10,560</u>	<u>9,274</u>	<u>2,397</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>46,475</u>	<u>10,560</u>	<u>57,035</u>	<u>49,624</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>46,475</u>	<u>10,560</u>	<u>57,035</u>	<u>49,624</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds				46,475	43,624
Restricted funds				10,560	6,000
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>57,035</u>	<u>49,624</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 31 October 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


31/10/2023

Ven. W Kassapa -Trustee

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the Charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The Charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Income

All Income is recognized in the Statement of Financial Activities once the Charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Improvements to property	2% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	20% on reducing balance
Pooja equipment	20% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	20% on reducing balance

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Operating lease commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Donated goods and services

Donated facilities and services provided to the Charity are recognised at their value to the Charity in the period when it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the donated Items will flow to the Charity, provided they can be measured reliably. An equivalent amount is included as expenditure under the relevant heading in the statement of Financial Activities.

Donated goods are recognised at fair value unless it is impractical to measure this reliably in which case a derived value, being the cost of the item to the donor is used. An equivalent amount is included as expenditure under the relevant heading in the Statement of Financial Activities except where the donated good is a fixed asset in which case the gain is recognised as income from donations and a corresponding amount is included in the appropriate fixed asset category and depreciated over the useful economic life in accordance with the Charity's accounting policies.

Going concern

The trustees have formed a judgment at the time of signing the accounts that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate because there are no material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Donations	71,918	38,121
Gift aid	6,000	6,649
	77,918	44,770

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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid neither for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

4. STAFF COSTS

The Charity has employed one employee during the year. The total payroll cost of the employment is £29,493 (2021 - £6,000). The Charity also receives the services of individuals who work on its behalf; these services are provided on voluntary basis.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	38,770	6,000	44,770
Total	38,770	6,000	44,770
EXPENSITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Grants to individuals	1,295	6,000	7,295
Events	3,961	-	3,961
Religious Centre	37,113	-	37,113
Total	42,369	6,000	48,369
NET INCOME	(3,599)	-	(3,599)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	47,223	6,000	53,223
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	43,624	6,000	49,624

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Improvements to property	Fixtures and fittings	Pooja equipment	Computer equipment	Totals
	£	£	£	£	£
COST					
At 1 January 2021		5,313	7,307	1,850	64,095
	49,625				
Additions	-	-	-	2,134	2,134
At 31 December 2022	49,625	5,313	7,307	3,984	66,229
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2021		4,231	5,770	1,432	16,868
	5,435				
Charge for year		216	307	84	1,600
	993				
At 31 December 2022	6,428	4,447	6,077	1,516	18,468
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 December 2022	43,197	866	1,230	2,468	47,761
At 31 December 2021	44,190	1,082	1,537	418	47,227

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Other debtors	6,014	11
	6,014	11

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Taxation and social security	-	529
Gift aid payable	6,649	6,649
Salaries payable	-	3,128
Other creditors	24,783	23,384
	31,432	33,690

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9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Other creditors include an amount of £20,387 (2021 - £20,387) payable to Ven. Wanduramba Kassapa being expenses of the Charity paid personally by the trustee.

The Charity rents premises from a trustee, Dr Nishanie Bajramovic, to operate the temple. Rent is charged by the trustee at arms length and such rental expenses are charged to the statement of financial activities.

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	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	71,918	38,121
Gift aid	6,000	6,649
Total incoming resources	77,918	44,770
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Rent	18,432	18,432
Rates and water	1,544	1,168
Insurance	523	398
Light and heat	2,480	2,293
Telephone	-	383
Postage and stationery	725	817
Sundries	-	219
Repairs & maintenance	2,858	3,430
Computer & internet	311	331
Events costs	10,416	3,961
Legal & professional	-	49
Bank charges	726	642
Accountancy	1,399	1,199
Depn Improvements to property	993	993
Depn fixtures & fittings	216	270
Depn computer equipment	84	105
Depn pooja equipment	307	384
Grants to individuals	-	7,295
Salaries	29,493	6,000
Total resources expended	70,507	48,369
Net income	7,411	(3,599)

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements.