

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 09948953 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1168884

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2023
FOR
NAMDHARI SIKH SANGAT UK

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 January 2023. 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 2019).

The trustees present their annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2023, and confirm the comply with the Charities Act 1993, as amended by the Charities Act 2006, and the Charities SORP 2005.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objectives of the charity include the continued process and policy integration to operate as a single charity having incorporated the individual Namdhari Community charities in 2016.

Key objectives include: -

- " To advance the Sikh religion for the benefit of the local community members through the facilitation of prayer gatherings, public celebration of religious festivals, lectures and the distribution of literature and other media on the Sikh faith to enlighten others;
- " To encourage the factual research of Sikh history;
- " To administer "Amrit" (baptism nectar for the Sikhs) as championed and brought by Sri Satguru Gobind Singh Ji and revived by Sri Satguru Ram Singh Ji;
- " To nurture and promote our classical music heritage through the facilitation of the appropriate tutelage from renowned musicians in the locality, nationally and from abroad;
- " To prohibit drinking of alcohol, smoking, consumption of meat products, violation of life and other evils amongst the community and to cultivate in them a spirit of service to mankind, worshipping God, charity work and social uplift.

The objectives are set to reflect and preserve our faith and to actively promote our faith within the community.

The trustees and local management teams meet regularly to ensure the objectives and activities are performed in a consistent manner and also to bring together local communities as well as ensuring the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular its guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

Public benefit

The Trustees are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit reporting as set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees believe that its objectives and activities of promoting the spiritual and moral advancement of humanity are for the general benefit of the public.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Post COVID-19, a lot of new ways of working together have been embraced and implemented. The UK and local committees met regularly (virtually) to discuss the welfare of the community and long-term effects of the pandemic.

Virtual groups continue to provide seminars in healthy living and mental wellbeing to the community. These are via community professionals providing these services on a voluntarily basis.

All services aligned to focus on delivery of essential services and support to all across the community to prepare and supply food and essential items for people who were self-isolating or shielding. Our East London centre, which is used by our Food4All division, become a larger hub of food preparation and delivery across London and the South East to the wider communities during the pandemic continues to prepare and serve meals to the homeless in and around London.

Specific attention is continually provided to support bereaved families during the pandemic in general family support.

The charity continues to work with local management and seek areas where improvements from lessons learnt, can be incorporated. Local centres carry out a wide range of activities in pursuance of its charitable aims and excellent work has been undertaken where individual management teams have worked together and have brought the same events now back in our centres. New initiatives have been taken to provide various activities for all age groups. These have included the creation of a foundation syllabus to education children in Basic Principles of Sikhism to supporting and mentoring older children in their career paths. Further examples include support free advice and guidance from professionals to young families facing different economic and social challenges as well as our older sangat.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Fundraising activities

Regular reviews take place to seek further improvements in deliverability of programmes the community were used to. One aspect of each religious or social event in each region, these were also broadcast virtually each weekend to allow community members who cannot attend to be part of the events.

Throughout the year, we actively encouraged community participation and were open to suggestions for improvement, and endeavored to ensure that the committees and programme organisers took constructive criticism on board for future events. Some of the key events during the year have included:

- " Marking the 150-years since Sri Satguru Ram Singh Ji's Pardes Gavan.
- " Marking the 150-years since the historical Maler Kotla Shaheeda event.
- " Basant Phanchami Mela at our centres and at other Sikh Gurdwaras.
- " Daily Rehraas Paath recitation via on-line with active participation of your younger members.
- " Multiple workshops on understanding Gurbani with scholars from India and also encouraging your youth to share their views on Sikhism.
- " Holla Mahalla Mela.
- " Vaisaki Mela.

Having a single communication platform (monthly conference calls, single communication groups) has seen consistent information sharing and has enabled the communities to share ideas and operate as one nationwide community and similar platforms have been adopted by the Namdhari communities in other parts of the world.

During the year, we have welcomed His Holiness Sri Satguru Uday Singh Ji, the Spiritual Head of the Namdhari Sikhs, to the UK and Ireland. Events were held in multiple locations to gain the blessings of His Holiness.

Our tagline of "Truthful Living, Caring for All" has been prevalent during the year with continued guidance and blessings from His Holiness.

Other festivals included:

- " Daily streaming of links to the Asa Di Var (morning prayers) from Sri Bhiani Sahib (the HQ of the Namdhari Community worldwide).
- " Various Parkash (birth) celebrations of the Sikh Gurus, with special programmes on Sri Guru Teg Bahadur Ji.
- " Parkash (birth) celebrations of Sri Satguru Hari Singh Ji, Sri Satguru Ram Singh Ji, Sri Satguru Jagjit Singh Ji and Sri Satguru Uday Singh Ji.
- " The celebrations began with morning worship, with the main programme during the course of the day till mid afternoon - via video presentations or live links. Live musical concerts over a number of weeks performed by leading classical music Ustads and Hazoori Ragi from India through Jagjit Arts forum.
- " Programme of performances included lectures, shabads (singing of religious hymns and scriptures), instrumental recitals of raags (classical Indian music) presented by members of the community.
- " Basant Panchmi - Birth celebration of Sri Satguru Ram Singh Ji.
- " Holla Mohalla - Triple festival celebration of holla, birth of Sri Satguru Balak Singh Ji and Sri Satguru Partap Singh Ji.
- " Vidhyak Samelan (Youth gathering) - a daylong event providing the younger community members with a platform to present their skills in Gurbani, Arts and Music. Events covered include Naam simran (Meditation), Dastar tying, public speaking, gurbani recitation, music and a knowledge based quiz programme.
- " Jap Prayog - annual 30-day meditation with focus of spirituality, in memory of Sri Satguru Ram Singh Ji. Daily meditation gatherings before sunrise to cleanse the mind, body and soul and preaching the core values of Sikhism.
- " National Mela in the loving memory of Sri Mata Chand Kaur Ji incorporating the International Women's Day
- " Shaheedi Remembrance Mela.
- " Diwali and Bandhi Chorr Celebrations.
- " Educational and support workshops - Anti Bullying and Mental Wellbeing to help increase holistic healthier lifestyles service including physical, mental and social wellbeing. Virtual participation in Veg N Conference - the vegan collaboration with the International Vegetarian Union continues to grow.

The community centres provide a valuable educational and recreational resource to all in the local community leading to research on timelines and historical facts on the Sikh Gurus.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Virtual classes in Punjabi, classical music and the recital of the Sri Guru Granth Sahib and the Dasam Granth Sahib are held on a regular basis, and are open for all the community.

Various virtual "family funday" gatherings are hosted for quiz, movie and cookery class nights with funds raised for charities, Food4All community kitchen and mental health wellbeing.

Community activities

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The trust board and, especially the Management Committees have worked as a collective team and have attended various virtual interfaith and wider community events throughout the year to promote, maintain and respect external relations as well as giving support during the pandemic.

Whilst our 5 centres remained closed for most of the year, to provide a valuable educational and recreational resource to all in the local community was done virtually.

Some of our kitchens were used to making and delivering meals to the wider local community.

Virtual classes in Punjabi, classical music and the recital of the Sri Guru Granth Sahib are held at our centres on a regular basis, and are open to all in the local community.

Other activities during the year

Shoebox Appeal - an initiative by young children to donate an item (e.g. a toy) to the children in the villages in the affected areas.

This was shared with our community worldwide and the Sangat encouraged donating towards the cause.

Fund raising via sponsored Sky Diving and Endurance Go-Karting events.

Food4All

A fantastic initiative to prepare and distribute free vegetarian food to about 400 plus homeless people on a weekly basis in London. This initiative is being widened to our regional centres. The food preparation was prepared in the Gurdwara kitchens.

Other events include. The preparation and distribution of Christmas Baskets for families in need and supported by SureStart, FoodCycle & Foodbanks.

Jagjit Arts

A revamped organisation inspired by Sri Satguru Jagjit Singh Ji in presenting music and arts concerts and events for all encompassing the rich musical heritage and providing a platform for up and coming artists. A series of virtual successful musical Bethaks, concerts, workshops and classes have taken place.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The trustees have met with each of the community's management committees to understand the financial management. Key areas under continuous review are to ensure that going forward we benefit from economies of scale (e.g. buildings insurances, bank charges, utilities, etc.) and also start budgetary planning over short term (e.g. maintenance) and longer term (property development, charity events, the long term effects of COVID-19, etc.).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

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The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The Namdhari Sikh Sangat UK is a charitable company and was incorporated at Companies House on 13th January 2016. The company's registration number is 9948953 and is governed by Articles of Association, which are part of the registration of the charitable company at Companies House.

Furthermore, Namdhari Sikh Sangat was recognised as a charity and entered onto the Register of Charities with the Registration Charity Number 1168884 on 23rd August 2016.

Excellent management teamwork has been demonstrated to improve on all aspects of policies and procedures and also to enhance operational policies and bring in improvements for the future.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
09948953 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1168884

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Unit 6 Balfour Business Centre
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on **31 Oct 2023** and signed on its behalf by:

Harminder Chana

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Mr Harminder Singh Chana - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF NAMDHARI SIKH SANGAT UK

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Namdhari Sikh Sangat UK ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 January 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

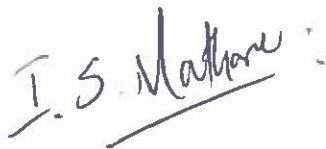
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Inderjot Matharu

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Date: 31/10/2023

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2023**

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted fund £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		246,087	181,794
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities		167,313	123,922
NET INCOME		78,774	57,872
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		1,481,233	1,423,361
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,560,007	1,481,233

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET 31 JANUARY 2023

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted fund £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	500,346	506,473
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	30,500	30,500
Cash at bank		1,062,837	997,326
		<u>1,093,337</u>	<u>1,027,826</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(14,799)	(19,849)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,078,538</u>	<u>1,007,977</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,578,884	1,514,450
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	8	(18,877)	(33,217)
NET ASSETS		<u>1,560,007</u>	<u>1,481,233</u>
FUNDS	10		
Unrestricted funds		<u>1,560,007</u>	<u>1,481,233</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>1,560,007</u>	<u>1,481,233</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 January 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET - continued
31 JANUARY 2023

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on ~~31 Oct 2023~~..... and were signed on its behalf by:

Harminder Chana

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Mr Harminder Singh Chana - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised 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.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

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.

2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	6,127	6,227

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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 January 2023 nor for the year ended 31 January 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 January 2023 nor for the year ended 31 January 2022.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	181,794
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EXPENDITURE ON	
Charitable activities	
Charitable Activities	123,922
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NET INCOME	57,872
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	1,423,361
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	1,481,233
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5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 February 2022 and 31 January 2023	523,758	11,299	2,005	537,062
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DEPRECIATION				
At 1 February 2022	26,188	3,920	481	30,589
Charge for year	5,237	738	152	6,127
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At 31 January 2023	31,425	4,658	633	36,716
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NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 January 2023	492,333	6,641	1,372	500,346
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At 31 January 2022	497,570	7,379	1,524	506,473
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6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
	2023	2022	
	£	£	
Other debtors	<u>30,500</u>	<u>30,500</u>	
7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
	2023	2022	
	£	£	
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	5,650	
Accrued expenses	<u>14,799</u>	<u>14,199</u>	
	<u>14,799</u>	<u>19,849</u>	
8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR			
	2023	2022	
	£	£	
Bank loans (see note 9)	<u>18,877</u>	<u>33,217</u>	
9. LOANS			
An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:			
	2023	2022	
	£	£	
Amounts falling due between two and five years:			
Bank loans - 2-5 years	<u>18,877</u>	<u>33,217</u>	
10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			
	At 1.2.22	Net movement in funds	At 31.1.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,481,233	78,774	1,560,007
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,481,233</u>	<u>78,774</u>	<u>1,560,007</u>
Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:			
	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	246,087	(167,313)	78,774
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>246,087</u>	<u>(167,313)</u>	<u>78,774</u>

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.2.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.1.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,423,361	57,872	1,481,233
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,423,361</u>	<u>57,872</u>	<u>1,481,233</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	181,794	(123,922)	57,872
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>181,794</u>	<u>(123,922)</u>	<u>57,872</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.2.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.1.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,423,361	136,646	1,560,007
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,423,361</u>	<u>136,646</u>	<u>1,560,007</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	427,881	(291,235)	136,646
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>427,881</u>	<u>(291,235)</u>	<u>136,646</u>

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11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 January 2023.