

**Friends of Mahalir Aran Trust**  
**Trustees' annual report for the year ended 31 December 2021**  
**Charity no 1173012**

**Charities principal address 50 Allerton Road London N16 5UF**

**Names of Charity trustees who manage the charity**

Paul Brenells (chair)

Simon Green

Ian Watts

Rachel Westcott

All trustees served for the full year.

The charity was created under a trust deed dated 28 August 2012 and is an unincorporated association.

**Objectives and activities**

The trust seeks to aid the inhabitants of India who by reason of their social and economic conditions are in need of assistance by the provision of food, health care, housing, education, counselling and training for work and principally by supporting the work of the Mahalir Aran Trust, a body formed in accordance with and governed by the laws of India, based at Dharmapuri in Tamil Nadu.

The charity's activities in this year as in earlier years are the remitting of funds raised in Europe and the USA to India to support the work of Mahalir Aran Trust in providing physical, emotional, spiritual, and practical support principally to women and children.

The charity does not solicit funds from the general public. We are grateful for the continued contributions received from our supporters.

The charity is registered with HMRC for the purposes of recovery of Gift Aid on individual donations

**Public Benefit**

The trustees have kept in mind the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in all their activities and are satisfied that all activities and expenditure fulfil the criteria.

**Financial Review and Reserves**

In the year, the charity received less income (£44,853 down from £80,117 in 2020) as a result of the legacy received in 2020. £27,000 was paid in grants to Mahalir Aran to support the projects in India, (2020 £18,000 to Mahalir Aran and £6,000 to Flowering Desert). All income was unrestricted for use by the charity within its overall objectives.

At the end of the year the charity was holding funds of £118,598 (2020 £100,745).

In 2022 the charity has resolved to use part of its reserves for the construction of houses for widows in the area in which Mahalir Aran operates. Plans are also under consideration for the development of a community centre and to enhance the wellbeing projects.

The trustees declare that they have approved the report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Paul Brenells                      Chair of Trustees

Date 23 October 2022

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**Receipts and Payments Accounts**

**for the year ended 31 December 2021**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>Receipts</b>		
Donations from Individuals & Churches	39,359	23,789
Legacy received	5,475	56,250
Interest	19	78
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>44,853</b>	<b>80,117</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Grants to Mahalir Aran Trust	27,000	18,000
Grants to Flowering Desert	-	6,000
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>27,000</b>	<b>24,000</b>
Net Receipts	17,853	56,117
Cash Funds at last year end	100,745	44,628
Cash funds at this year end	<b>118,598</b>	<b>100,745</b>

**Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>Cash at Bank</b>		
<b>Current Account</b>	<b>88,189</b>	<b>70,356</b>
<b>Deposit Account</b>	<b>30,409</b>	<b>30,389</b>

**Total Monetary Assets**

**118,5**  
**98**

**100,74**  
**5**

**Signed on behalf of all the trustees**

**Paul Brenells**

**date 23 October 2022**

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Friends of Mahalir Aran Trust**

on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 as set out on page

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

### **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 Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charity are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under s145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s145(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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Alison Grieve

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Dated : 23 October 2022