

**INTERNATIONAL BHAT SIKH
COUNCIL
65 MANDALE ROAD
ACKLAM
MIDDLESBROUGH
TS5 8AE**

**CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER
1190015**

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

**CHUHAN & SINGH
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
81 BOROUGH ROAD
MIDDLESBROUGH
TS1 3AA**

International Bhat Sikh Council

Trustees' Annual Report

Period ended 31 March 2024

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	International Bhat Sikh Council
Charity registration number	1190015
Principal office	65 Mandale Road Acklam Middlesbrough TS5 8AE
The trustees	Mr A Singh Mr D S Bhakar Mr J Singh
Bankers	Barclays Bank PLC 167 Linthorpe Road Middlesbrough TS1 4AH
Accountants	Chuhan & Singh Partnership Limited Chartered accountants 81 Borough Road Middlesbrough TS1 3AA

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Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

Period ended 31 March 2024

Structure, governance and management

The International Bhat Sikh Council is a constituted charitable trust registered with the Charity Commission under charity number 1190015 and operates within the framework of its governing document. It is governed by a constitution.

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 regarding the activities provided by the charity.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The existing trustees are responsible for the recruitment of new trustees but in so doing the trustees seek the views and recommendations of the congregation and members of the charity. The trustees believe this approach ensures that good relations are fostered between the organisation and the people of the local community that we serve. In selecting new trustees, the existing trustees seek to identify people who regularly attend events and functions organised by the charity and are willing to volunteer to help in broader community work. Potential trustees are invited to attend trustees' meetings as observers and are given more details of the charity's aims and activities. With the agreement of existing trustees the individual is then proposed as a new trustee at the subsequent trustees' meeting. This process allows for due consideration of the person's eligibility, personal competence, specialist knowledge and skills.

Induction and training of trustees

Following appointment, new trustees are introduced to their new role and given copies of the charity's constitution and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by the charity. A number of publications from the Charity Commission are also provided including guidance on charities and public benefit and on the advancement of 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 an existing trustee 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 and reporting the progress at a trustees' meeting.

Risk management

The trustees have assessed the risks the charity faces and have drawn up a risk assessment which identifies the major risks by area of activity, nature of those risks, the likelihood of the risks happening and the measures taken to manage them. The trustees review these risk assessments regularly at their meetings and at meetings of the sub-committees on finance, buildings and day care centre. The trustees are satisfied that systems are in place, or

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arrangements in hand, to manage the risks that have been identified. In particular, insurance cover is in place and the finances of the organisation are kept under the review.

Use of volunteers

Volunteers are an important resource in both our faith and community work. Volunteers are involved in all of our faith and community activities, and we have people giving their time on a regular basis.

Objectives and activities

Aims:

To advance the Sikh religion.

To develop an encyclopaedia on the history of the Bhat Sikh religion.

To provide clean drinking water to deprived communities in India.

To provide financial support for the education of poorer people in the UK and India.

To provide financial and emotional support for widows and bereaved families in UK and India.

The objectives are set to reflect our faith and community aims. Each year the trustees review the objectives and activities to ensure they continue to reflect the aims. In carrying out this review the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular its supplementary public guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

Achievements and performance

The charity carries out a wide range of activities religious and non-religious that deliver public benefit in pursuance of its charitable aims. The trustees consider that these activities, previously mentioned, are in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance and provide benefit to the wider community of the UK and India.

Financial review

The Trustees are satisfied with the financial position of the charity and there are no concerns regarding the charity's ability to continue in the future.

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds that are sufficient to cover management, administration and running costs of the charity for a period of twelve months.

The deficit of unrestricted income over expenditure for the year was £261. The total unrestricted reserves at 31st March 2024 were in deficit by £2,915. The reserves are well within the charity's target reserves.

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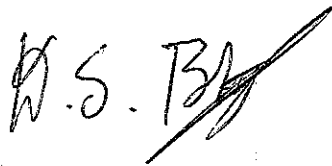
Principal funding sources

The principal source of funding is through donations. The trustees consider the results of the charity to be satisfactory.

Plans for future periods

The trustees intend to maintain and expand the charity's activities in the future.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 21/03/25 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D.S. Bhakar', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mr D S Bhakar

Trustee

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 March 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS		-	-
CURRENT ASSETS	1	17	78
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES	2	<u>(2,932)</u>	<u>(2,732)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>(2,915)</u>	<u>(2,654)</u>

REPRESENTED BY:-

ACCUMULATED FUND	3	<u>(2,915)</u>	<u>(2,654)</u>
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I agree these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

Date:

21 March 2025

Mr D S Bhakar

Trustee

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1. CURRENT ASSETS	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank and Cash	<u>17</u>	<u>78</u>
2. CURRENT LIABILITIES	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	<u>(2,932)</u>	<u>(2,732)</u>
	<u>(2,932)</u>	<u>(2,732)</u>
3. ACCUMULATED FUND		
Balance B/f	(2,654)	(2,149)
Add: Surplus/(Deficit) of for the year	<u>(261)</u>	<u>(2,732)</u>
Balance C/f	<u>(2,915)</u>	<u>(2,654)</u>

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOME		
Donations	1,644	2,124
EXPENDITURE		
Support Services	1705	2,328
Accountancy	200	300
Bank Charges	-	1
	(1,905)	(2,629)
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	(261)	(505)