

UNITED RELIGIONS INITIATIVE UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1200822

Details

Other names URI UK

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-10-26

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO, TO BE CARRIED OUT IN THE WEST MIDLANDS AND SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UK AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL FROM TIME TO TIME DETERMINE, ARE: 1) THE PROMOTION OF RELIGIOUS HARMONY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY:(A) PROMOTING KNOWLEDGE AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT RELIGIONS;(B) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS GROUPS TO PROMOTE GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN PERSONS OF DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS GROUPS;(C) WORKING TOWARDS THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF RELIGION.2) THE PROMOTION OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY:(A) THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF RELIGION;(B) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS IN EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY;(C) PROMOTING ACTIVITIES TO FOSTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN PEOPLE FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS;(D) CULTIVATING A SENTIMENT IN FAVOUR OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY.

Activities: Act as a platform for a variety of activities and projects designed to increase understanding between people with different religious and non-religious beliefs, encourage multi-faith social action, and promote freedom of religion and belief in the West Midlands area and further afield.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£9,982	£6,587	-	-
2023-12-31	£9,656	£4,456	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DEEPAK NAIK	Chair	2023-03-23
Mandip Singh Sohal		2023-03-23
Sariya Cheruvallil-Contractor		2023-03-23
Shahin Akhtar		2024-03-25
VIVIAN WINEMAN		2024-09-10
Warwick Hawkins MBE		2023-03-17

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**UNITED RELIGIONS INITIATIVE UK
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR
TO 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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UNITED RELIGIONS INITIATIVE UK REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

United Religions Initiative UK ("URI UK") was established in 2023. The objectives of the charity are

1. The promotion of religious harmony by -
 - a) Promoting knowledge and mutual understanding between people of different religions;
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 - c) Working towards the elimination of discrimination on the grounds of religion.
2. The promotion of equality and diversity by -
 - a) The elimination of discrimination on the grounds of religion;
 - b) Advancing education and raising awareness in equality and diversity;
 - c) Promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds;
 - d) Cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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Principal Address

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Trustees

Deepak Naik	Chair
Sariya Cheruvallil-Contractor	
Mandip Singh Sohal	
Warwick Hawkins MBE	
Shahin Akhtar	

Trustees resigned during the year -

Helen Taylor (Resigned 8 October 2025)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The Charity is controlled by its governing document and constitutes an incorporated charity.

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 charity is managed day to day by the Trustees and a group of volunteers.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Committee meets regularly every month to discuss Association matters, including fundraising and current activities, and holds an AGM.

During the year URI UK continued to cement its reputation as the leading organisation resourcing and linking local interfaith activity in England. For instance, in March 2024 we organised five well attended conferences in the Midlands and London, where interfaith activists came together to learn about the health-based approach to preventing religion-motivated violence. This is one of the priority objectives of the global United Religions Initiative movement, of which URI UK forms part. A delegation of senior figures from URI Europe and URI Global took part and interacted with local groups in these regions.

In November, URI UK was a member of a voluntary consortium of national interfaith organisations which took forward national Inter Faith Week following the closure of the Inter Faith Network of the UK. In this capacity the Inter Faith Week website was updated and new resources for local interfaith activity made available. URI UK also organised and ran the Midlands Interfaith Conference, bringing together 110 activists from interfaith groups across the Midlands and London, as well as a youth workshop for West Midlands school children. The Minister with responsibility for faith, Lord Khan of Burnley, attended and gave an inspirational speech. The youth workshop was followed by a visit of Coventry schoolchildren to London, where they toured Parliament and met the Minister.

During 2024 the number of URI UK Cooperation Circles grew from 4 to 8.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:



Mandip Singh Sohal Trustee

08 October 2025

**UNITED RELIGIONS INITIATIVE UK
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	31/12/23 Unrestricted Funds £	31/12/24 Unrestricted Funds £
<u>Notes</u>		
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
Grants	7,925	8,000
Donations	1,731	1,982
Activities for generating funds		
Investment income		
Other incoming resources		
Total incoming resources	<u>9,656</u>	<u>9,982</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Events	(5,000)	(2,623)
Other costs	(200)	(3,963)
Governance costs		
Total resources expended	<u>(5,200)</u>	<u>(6,587)</u>
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES	4,456	3,395
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	0	4,456
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>4,456</u></u>	<u><u>7,851</u></u>

**UNITED RELIGIONS INITIATIVE UK
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	<u>Notes</u>	31/12/23 Unrestricted Funds £	31/12/24 Unrestricted Funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		4,456	7,851
Debtors			
		<u>4,456</u>	<u>7,851</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year			
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>4,456</u>	<u>7,851</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		4,456	7,851
NET ASSETS		<u><u>4,456</u></u>	<u><u>7,851</u></u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	1	4,456	7,851
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>4,456</u></u>	<u><u>7,851</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 08 October 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mandip Singh Sohal Trustee

08 October 2025

**UNITED RELIGIONS INITIATIVE UK
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2000) exception of investments which are included at market value, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from 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.

1 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	At 1/1/24 £	funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	4,456	3,395	7,851
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>4,456</u>	<u>3,395</u>	<u>7,851</u>
Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:			
	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
General fund - Unrestricted funds	9,982	(6,587)	3,395
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,982</u>	<u>(6,587)</u>	<u>3,395</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE AND
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26 OCTOBER 2022 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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 - d) Cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity.

In the year the following key interfaith activities were undertaken:

1. Organising a multi-faith event at Coventry University as part of the Freedom of Religious Belief (FORB) schedule of events leading up to the international FORB conference in London.
2. Organising a focus youth workshop as a follow-on event from this.
3. Organising a multi-faith event to celebrate the King's coronation, at the BalaJi temple.

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Mandip Singh Sohal	
Helen Taylor	
Warwick Hawkins MBE	
Shahin Akhtar	(appointed 25 March 2024)

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

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Mandip Singh Sohal Trustee

19 September 2024

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BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE PERIOD 26 OCTOBER 2022 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	<u>Notes</u>	31/12/23 Unrestricted Funds £
FIXED ASSETS		
Investments		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at bank and in hand		4,456
Debtors		
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>4,456</u>
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NET ASSETS		<u><u>4,456</u></u>
FUNDS		
Unrestricted funds	1	4,456
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>4,456</u></u>

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Unrestricted funds		
General fund	0	4,456
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>4,456</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Movement in funds £
General fund - Unrestricted funds	4,456	4,456
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>4,456</u>	<u>4,456</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements