

Trustees' Annual Report

UK Telugu Brahmin Community (UKTBC)

Registered Charity No. 1205566
For the period 01 August 2024 to 31 July 2025

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document

The charity's purpose is to advance the Hindu religion and culture for the public benefit, with particular reference to the Telugu Brahmin community. This is achieved through:

- Providing Brahmin priests to support Hindu communities with religious rituals and ceremonies;
- Promoting Vedic education that supports Hindu religious practices;
- Organising workshops and events focused on the Telugu and Sanskrit languages, hosting religious events in those languages, and publishing relevant educational materials and resources for people of Telugu origin and their families in the UK.

The charity operates solely for purposes that are charitable under UK law.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit

During the year, UKTBC delivered religious, educational, linguistic and cultural activities that directly support its objects. The activities recorded in the accounts and project schedule include Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam in Rugby, Rudra Homam in Leicester, Balamukundam, Udbhav, Harikatha in London, Project Suprabhatham and VipraVaani.

These activities provided public benefit by increasing access to Hindu religious practice, Vedic education, Telugu and Sanskrit learning, cultural preservation, devotional gatherings and community cohesion. The charity remains volunteer-led and seeks to keep activities accessible, with income generated through voluntary donations, modest event contributions and charitable activity receipts.

Public benefit statement

The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when exercising their duties and planning the charity's activities. The trustees have ensured that programmes and operations further the charity's charitable purposes and deliver public benefit through access to Vedic education, religious ceremonies, cultural preservation, language learning and community engagement.

Grant-making policy

During the reporting period, the charity did not make grants to individuals or organisations and does not currently operate a formal grant-making programme. Any future grants would only be considered where they clearly align with the charity's objects and where public benefit can be demonstrated.

Social investment policy

The charity did not make any social investments or programme-related investments during the reporting period. The trustees will consider such investments only where they are consistent with the charity's objects, Charity Commission guidance and responsible stewardship of charitable funds.

Contribution made by volunteers

UKTBC is a volunteer-led organisation. The trustees recognise that the delivery of the charity's programmes depends significantly on the time, skills and commitment of volunteers. Although no monetary value is included in the accounts for volunteer time, volunteers supported teaching, ritual coordination, event logistics, food preparation, administration, community communications, publication work and safeguarding of cultural practices.

- Teaching and supporting Vedic and language classes, including Project Suprabhatham and Balamukundam;
- Coordinating and supporting rituals, religious ceremonies and events such as Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam in Rugby, Rudra Homam in Leicester and Harikatha in London;
- Supporting venue arrangements, catering, decoration, administration, ticketing/registration and community communications;
- Editorial and publication support for VipraVaani and digital community engagement.

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity

During the period 01 August 2024 to 31 July 2025, UKTBC continued to deliver activities aligned to its charitable purposes. The charity's work supported beneficiaries by enabling religious participation, facilitating access to Brahmin priests and Vedic rituals, promoting Telugu and Sanskrit education, and strengthening cultural identity among Telugu Brahmin families and the wider Hindu community in the UK.

Project Suprabhatham

Project Suprabhatham provided daily Vedic chanting classes for one hour through Microsoft Teams. Each batch learns for six months, covering the five fundamental Vedic Sooktas. The project contributes to the charity's object of providing Vedic education that supports Hindu religious activities. Public benefit arises through structured access to traditional Vedic chanting, preservation of sacred knowledge, support for daily spiritual practice, and preparation of volunteers and learners to participate more confidently in rituals and ceremonies.

Balamukundam

Balamukundam is UKTBC's free weekly language education programme for children and families, delivered throughout the year with no fees charged to learners. During the period, the Telugu stream delivered 32 classes for approximately 330 students, supported by 32 volunteer teachers. The Sanskrit stream was supported by 3 Sanskrit teachers and around 30 students. The accounts record Balamukundam expenditure of £1,388.57 during the year. The project directly supports the charity's object of promoting Telugu and Sanskrit language education and literature, and provides public benefit by preserving linguistic and cultural heritage, supporting children of Telugu origin in the UK, encouraging intergenerational learning, and strengthening community cohesion.

Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam, Rugby (SRK)

Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam in Rugby was the charity's largest recorded activity in the year, with expenditure of £7,424.50 and attendance of approximately 400 people. The event supported the advancement of Hindu religion and culture through a traditional devotional celebration of Sri Sita and Sri Rama, bringing families and volunteers together in worship, music, community service and shared saatvik food. The programme also included Harikatha in Rugby, presenting Sundarakanda from Valmiki Ramayanam through classical storytelling and music. As part of the programme, around 100 Ramayanam books from Rishi Peetham were distributed to children, supporting religious education, family learning and the transmission of dharmic values to the next generation.

Rudra Homam

Rudra Homam in Leicester supported the charity's religious object by facilitating Vedic fire worship and participation in traditional ritual practice. The accounts record Rudra Homam expenditure of £1,002.00 during the year. The project provided spiritual benefit, strengthened community participation in Vedic worship and supported the availability of trained priests and volunteers for religious ceremonies.

Udbhav

Udbhav was delivered as a community cultural and educational event celebrating classical dance and music. The event included 25 performances, attracted an audience of approximately 150 people, and certificates were presented to participants. The accounts record Udbhav expenditure of £1,125.00 during the year. The project supported the charity's wider objectives by providing a platform for cultural learning, artistic expression, community participation and engagement of families and young people, while promoting Telugu and Hindu cultural heritage in an inclusive public setting.

Harikatha

Harikatha in London promoted Hindu religious and cultural education through classical devotional storytelling, music and scriptural themes. The programme featured Harikatha Choodamani Sri M.V. Simhachala Sastry garu, presenting Sundarakanda from Valmiki Ramayanam. The accounts record Harikatha expenditure of £798.26. Public benefit arises from making religious narratives and dharmic values accessible to the community in an engaging format, supporting both spiritual understanding and cultural continuity.

VipraVaani and digital/community education

VipraVaani continued to serve as an educational and cultural publication initiative, sharing dharmic knowledge, Telugu and Sanskrit heritage, and community reflections. UKTBC also continued digital and community engagement through groups and informal networks that support religious coordination, food culture, community learning and scriptural study.

Achievements against objectives set

1. Providing Brahmin priests to support Hindu communities with rituals and ceremonies: achieved through the organisation and support of events such as Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam in Rugby, Rudra Homam in Leicester and other dharmic gatherings.
2. Providing Vedic education that supports Hindu religious activities: achieved through Project Suprabhatam, daily one-hour online Vedic chanting classes on Microsoft Teams, where each batch studies for six months and learns the five fundamental Vedic Sooktas, as well as through participation of trained volunteers and learners in rituals and community events.
3. Promoting Telugu and Sanskrit education and literature: achieved through Balamukundam, which delivered 32 Telugu classes for around 330 students with 32 volunteer teachers, supported Sanskrit learning with 3 teachers and around 30 students, and through VipraVaani and related language/cultural learning activities.
4. Promoting Hindu religion and culture with particular reference to Telugu Brahmins: achieved through religious festivals, cultural events, Harikatha in London, devotional programmes and community engagement.

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives

The charity did not undertake major external fundraising campaigns during the reporting period. Income was generated through community donations and charitable activity receipts, including modest event-related contributions. The trustees are satisfied that funds raised were applied toward the charity's programme objectives and used to keep activities accessible.

Investment performance against objectives

The charity does not currently hold investments and did not pursue an investment strategy during the reporting period. There is therefore no investment performance to report.

Financial Review

Review of financial position at the end of the period

For the year ended 31 July 2025, total income was £8,891.50, consisting of £4,000.00 donations and £4,891.50 income from charitable activities. Total expenditure was £11,895.13. The charity opened the year with bank/cash funds of £3,830.31 and closed the year with bank/cash funds of £826.68. The net movement for the year was £-3,003.63.

Financial item	Amount (£)
Opening bank/cash funds at 01 August 2024	3,830.31
Donations	4,000.00
Income from charitable activities	4,891.50
HMRC Gift Aid	0.00
Cash donations	0.00
Total income	8,891.50
Total expenditure	11,895.13
Net receipts/(payments)	-3,003.63
Closing bank/cash funds at 31 July 2025	826.68

Expenditure by activity

Expense category	Amount (£)
Rudra Homam Event Expenses	1,002.00
Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam (SRK) Expenses	7,424.50
Udbhav Expenses	1,125.00
Balamukundam Expenses	1,388.57
Insurance	156.80
Harikatha Expenses	798.26
Total	11,895.13

The trustees consider the year-end position to be sufficient for immediate operational needs, while recognising that reserves reduced during the year because expenditure exceeded receipts. The trustees will continue to monitor income and expenditure closely and will seek to maintain adequate cash reserves to meet planned commitments.

Reserves policy

The trustees aim to maintain a modest level of unrestricted reserves to support continuity of core activities, cover upfront event costs and provide financial stability for future project planning. At 31 July 2025, reserves held as bank/cash funds were £826.68.

- To support essential religious and educational programmes if income is delayed or lower than expected;
- To cover upfront costs such as venue hire, pooja materials, insurance and catering before donations or contributions are received;
- To provide financial stability for future charitable activities.

Amount of reserves held

Unrestricted reserves held at the end of the reporting period were £826.68.

Reasons for holding zero reserves

Not applicable - the charity held reserves at the year end.

Details of funds materially in deficit

No funds were materially in deficit during the reporting period.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The trustees are confident that, with continued community support and careful financial management, the charity can continue its activities for the foreseeable future.

Principal sources of funds

The charity's principal sources of funds during the reporting period were voluntary donations from members of the community and income from charitable activities, including event-based contributions. No HMRC Gift Aid income or cash donations were recorded in the accounts for the period.

Investment policy and objectives

The charity does not hold long-term investments and has not adopted a formal investment policy. Surplus funds are retained in standard bank/cash funds for liquidity and security. The trustees will review this position as the charity grows.

Principal risks facing the charity

1. Dependence on volunteers: the charity relies heavily on volunteer capacity for teaching, events, administration and community engagement.
2. Financial sustainability: income is dependent on donations and activity-related contributions, while events can require significant upfront expenditure.

3. Event delivery and compliance: large gatherings, food preparation and fire rituals require careful venue selection, insurance, risk assessment and compliance with health and safety requirements.
4. Technology dependence: online classes and community communications rely on stable digital platforms and volunteer technical support.
5. Reputational risk: as a religious and cultural charity, UKTBC must maintain high standards of accuracy, inclusivity, safeguarding and accountability in all public-facing activities.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts

UK Telugu Brahmin Community (UKTBC) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. The charity is governed by its Constitution, adopted on registration, which sets out its charitable objects, governance structure and rules.

Type of governing document

Constitution (Charitable Incorporated Organisation), adopted on 03 November 2023.

How the charity is constituted

Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

Trustee selection methods

Trustees are appointed in accordance with the charity's CIO Constitution. Trustees are elected by the charity's members at the Annual General Meeting or at a special general meeting convened for that purpose. The charity does not have an external body or individual with authority to appoint trustees independently. New trustees are selected with regard to their alignment with the charity's values and objects and the skills and experience needed for governance and programme delivery.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are provided with the charity's Constitution and relevant Charity Commission guidance, including The Essential Trustee (CC3) and public benefit guidance. Existing trustees provide informal briefings on current projects, governance procedures, financial controls and decision-making processes. Training needs are reviewed periodically.

Organisational structure and wider network

UKTBC is governed by a board of trustees responsible for strategic direction, compliance and management. The charity operates without paid staff and relies on volunteer teams for Vedic education, event management, language instruction, publications and community coordination. The charity works informally with priests, volunteers, families, cultural groups and community supporters where this supports its charitable objectives.

Related parties

The charity works with individuals and community groups whose activities align with its charitable objectives. Any potential conflicts of interest are managed in accordance with the charity's governance procedures. No related party transactions have been identified in the accounts provided.

Reference and Administrative Details

Detail	Information
Charity name	UK Telugu Brahmin Community
Other name used	UKTBC
Registered charity number	1205566
Principal address	13 Sidney Wolfe Close, Cawston, Rugby, CV22 7ZE

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Appointing body/person
Pavan Narasimha Kumar Ayyalasomayajula	Chair		
Dr Sushma Prabha Ayyalasomayajula			
Kalyan Petluru	Treasurer		
Vishwanath Ganti	Joint Secretary		
Srinivas Rao Yellapragada	Secretary		
Naga Venkata Rama Krishna Rav Annadanam	Joint Treasurer		
Ramesh Gummadavelli	Vice Chair		

Corporate trustees: None.

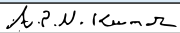
Trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity: None identified in the accounts provided.

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

The charity did not hold funds or assets as custodian trustee on behalf of others during the reporting period.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees	
Signature	
Full name	Pavan Narasimha Kumar Ayyalasomayajula
Position	Chair of Trustees
Date	31 May 2026

Receipts and Payments Accounts

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Section A - Receipts and payments

A1 Receipts	Unrestricted funds (£)	Restricted funds (£)	Endowment funds (£)	Total funds (£)	Last year (£)
Donations	£4,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£4,000.00	
Income from charitable activities	£4,891.50	£0.00	£0.00	£4,891.50	
HMRC Gift Aid	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Cash donations	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Sub total (gross income for annual return)	£8,891.50	£0.00	£0.00	£8,891.50	
A2 Asset and investment sales	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Total receipts	£8,891.50	£0.00	£0.00	£8,891.50	

A3 Payments	Unrestricted funds (£)	Restricted funds (£)	Endowment funds (£)	Total funds (£)	Last year (£)
Rudra Homam Event Expenses	£1,002.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,002.00	
Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam (SRK) Expenses	£7,424.50	£0.00	£0.00	£7,424.50	
Udbhav Expenses	£1,125.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,125.00	
Balamukundam Expenses	£1,388.57	£0.00	£0.00	£1,388.57	
Insurance	£156.80	£0.00	£0.00	£156.80	
Harikatha Expenses	£798.26	£0.00	£0.00	£798.26	
Sub total	£11,895.13	£0.00	£0.00	£11,895.13	
A4 Asset and investment purchases	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Total payments	£11,895.13	£0.00	£0.00	£11,895.13	
Net of receipts/(payments)	£-3,003.63	£0.00	£0.00	£-3,003.63	
A5 Transfers between funds	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
A6 Cash funds last year end	£3,830.31	£0.00	£0.00	£3,830.31	
Cash funds this year end	£826.68	£0.00	£0.00	£826.68	

Section B - Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds	Details	Unrestricted funds (£)	Restricted funds (£)	Endowment funds (£)
	Bank/cash funds at 31 July 2025	£826.68	£0.00	£0.00
	Total cash funds	£826.68	£0.00	£0.00

B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds (£)	Restricted funds (£)	Endowment funds (£)
	None identified in the accounts provided	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

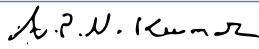

B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (£)	Current value (£)
	None		£0.00	£0.00

B4 Assets retained	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (£)	Current value (£)
	None identified in the accounts provided		£0.00	£0.00

B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (£)	When due
	None identified in the accounts provided		£0.00	

Trustee approval and declaration

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf.

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees			
Signature		Signature	
Print name	Pavan Narasimha Kumar Ayyalasomayajula	Print name	Srinivas Rao Yellapragada
Position	Chair of Trustees	Position	Secretary
Date of approval	31 May 2026	Date of approval	31 May 2026

Note: Figures are prepared from the charity's Annual Accounts 2024-25 spreadsheet. All funds are shown as unrestricted; no restricted or endowment funds were identified in the accounts provided.