

Trustees' Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the Period ended 31st March 2025 For

BRISTOL KNANAYA COMMUNITY

Charity Number: 1209450

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Trustees' Annual Report For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The trustees are pleased to present their report, together with the financial statements, for the year ended 31 March 2025

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: BRISTOL KNANAYA COMMUNITY

Charity Registration Number: 1209450

Registered Address: 11 TEN ACRES RISE

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Trustees (serving during the period):

Chairman: Mr Saju Abraham Manalithara

Trustee: Hintomon Thalappala Philip

Trustee: Suresh Mathew Thomas

Trustee: Saji Zachariah

Trustee: Mathew Kuriakose

Trustee: Sunil Elakuttoor

Trustee: Joseph Kurien

Bankers: HSBC UK, Metro Bank London

Independent Examiner: Noble Dani George

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Structure, Governance, and Management

➤ **Governing Document:**

The charity is a Christian Community governed by a Trust Deed dated 06 August 2024. This document sets out the Community's objectives and the framework for its administration

➤ **Appointment of Trustees**

Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting.

➤ **Management**

The trustees are responsible for the strategic direction and governance of the Community, while the day-to-day operations are managed by the trustees and supported by several volunteer leaders who assist on a Rota basis

BRISTOL KNANAYA COMMUNITY

Objectives & Activities

➤ Charitable Objects

The objects of the charity are:

1. To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Belief, in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees from time to time may think fit;
2. To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support, in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees from time to time may think fit; and\
3. To advance education in such a way and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees from time to time may think fit.

➤ Activities

During the financial year, the Bristol Knanaya Community actively organised and participated in a range of religious, educational, cultural, and youth-focused activities in furtherance of its charitable objectives. These activities supported spiritual growth, community cohesion, and faith-based education among members of all age groups.

Key activities undertaken during the year included:

- 1) Onam Celebration (07 September 2024): A cultural gathering promoting fellowship and community bonding while celebrating Kerala's traditional harvest festival.
- 2) Vacation Bible School (28 & 29 September 2024): A two-day faith education programme for children, focusing on biblical teachings, moral values, and Christian formation.
- 3) Sunday School Examination (13 October 2024): Annual assessment to support structured religious education and learning outcomes for children and youth.
- 4) Sunday School Camp and Anniversary Celebration (08 December 2024): A combined spiritual and educational event encouraging participation, fellowship, and faith development among children.
- 5) Christmas Celebration (24 December 2024): A community-wide celebration marking the birth of Christ through worship, prayers, and fellowship.
- 6) Gloria Ecumenical Carol Service (26 December 2024): An interdenominational carol service promoting unity, harmony, and shared Christian values among different church communities.
- 7) St. Stephen's Day Celebration (12 January 2025): A religious observance commemorating the life and witness of St. Stephen.
- 8) GCSC and A-Level Students' Academic Recognition Event (12 January 2025): An appreciation programme recognising the academic achievements of students, encouraging educational excellence.
- 9) Youth Event (09 February 2025): A youth-focused programme aimed at spiritual enrichment, leadership development, and community engagement.
- 10) Lenten Retreat (09 March 2025): A spiritual retreat providing guidance, reflection, and preparation for the Lenten season.
- 11) Holy Week and Easter Celebrations (13 April 2025 – 19 April 2025): A series of religious services and observances commemorating the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- 12) Vanitha Samajam Annual Day Meeting (08 June 2025): A women's fellowship event promoting spiritual growth, leadership, and active participation in community activities.

Community Council

The Community is overseen by a council of members who are elected by the general body. The council works closely with the Vicar to provide leadership and direction for the Community's activities and ministries. Regular meetings are held to review and assess all Community activities, ensuring that any concerns or areas for improvement are identified and addressed promptly. Necessary changes are implemented for the benefit of the Community, its members, the wider community, and the nation.

The Community council is responsible for the overall governance of the Community, while the day-to-day management is carried out in collaboration with the Pastor. Financial matters are managed by the treasurer, and the Community accounts are regularly reviewed and audited to ensure transparency and accountability.

Summary of Charitable Activities for 2024-25

The community carried out several charitable activities during the year to support individuals and families in need. Assistance was provided through financial help, community welfare initiatives, and contributions to social causes. The community also organized outreach programmes, donated essential items, and supported members facing emergencies. These activities reflect the community's commitment to compassion, service, and social responsibility.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
BRISTOL KNANAYA COMMUNITY
(Charity number: 1209450)

I report on the receipt and payment accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025 set out in pages 8 & 9

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner:

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- to state whether matters have come to my attention.

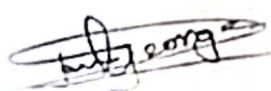
Basis of the independent examiner's report:

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items of disclosure in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements above.

Independent examiner's statement:

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - i. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act: and
 - ii. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met or
2. which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Financial Review

The gross income for the year ended 31st March 2025 was £88,677.15. Total resources expended during the year amounted to £16,746.86 resulting in a surplus of £71,930.29.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's objectives and activities and in planning future activities. The Trustees judge that activities in pursuit of the above objectives fully meet the public benefit test, which they have kept in mind in planning programs for the charity.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each year, which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the period and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the trustees should follow best practice and:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Prepare the financial statements on the going-concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable law and regulations. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities

Risk Management

The charity has assessed all the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity and is satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks.

BRISTOL KNANAYA COMMUNITY

On behalf of all the trustees, I respectfully submit this report for your consideration.

Chairman



Mr Saju Abraham Manalithara

BRISTOL KNANAYA COMMUNITY

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period

Period start date
06-08-2024

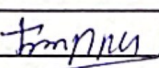
To

Period End Date
31-03-2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Monthly Subscriptions	10,515.00	-	-	10,515.00	-
Offering	4,073.86	-	-	4,073.86	-
Other Donations	73,596.00	-	-	73,596.00	-
Bank Interest	492.29	-	-	492.29	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	88,677.15	-	-	88,677.15	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	88,677.15	-	-	88,677.15	-
A3 Payments					
Rent	1,673.00	-	-	1,673.00	-
Bank Charges	293.00	-	-	293.00	-
Allowances to Church Minister	3,900.00	-	-	3,900.00	-
Other Expenses	4,953.36	-	-	4,953.36	-
Events & Fellowship Expenses	1,657.50	-	-	1,657.50	-
Meals & Entertainment	4,270.00	-	-	4,270.00	-
Sub total	16,746.86	-	-	16,746.86	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,746.86	-	-	16,746.86	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	71,930.29	-	-	71,930.29	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	71,930.29	-	-	71,930.29	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash/ Cheques in hand	71,500	-	-
	Cash at bank	430	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	71,930	-	-
	payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Pastor:		
		Saju Abraham Manalithara		02/12/2025