

# **Gurdwara Sahib Woolwich**

(Woolwich Sikh Temple)

Registered Charity 280961

**Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025**



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**Financial Statements**

**For the year ended 31 March 2024**

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Treasurer	Mr Tarlochan Singh Vaid
Charity No	280961
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Independent Examiners	HNS PARTNERSHIP, 66-68 Singlewell Road Gravesend DA11 7PW
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**Trustees' Report**

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025. These have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 7 and comply with the Charity's governing documents and applicable UK law

**Achievements**

1. **Leadership Transition:** Mr. Gurmukh Singh Mann assumed the role of President following the retirement of Sardar Nirmal Singh Kaily, who selflessly served for 18 years. While efforts were made to form a consensus-based committee and avoid elections, the decision was ultimately made to proceed with an election in which Mr. Mann was elected.
2. **Staffing Changes.** The previous Kirtani Jatha departed without prior notice, creating operational challenges. Temporary arrangements were made promptly, and a new Jatha has since been appointed. One member is currently awaiting arrival to commence duties.
3. **Building Maintenance;** Flat 4A, an investment property, developed mould issues and was fully renovated within a few months.
4. January was notably challenging due to an unexpected increase in bereavement services, exacerbated by staff shortages
5. The Gurdwara successfully sponsored several community programs, including Nagar Kirtan, Sports Day, Ladies' seaside trips, Sikhy Camp, Punjabi classes, and student outings.

**Governing Instrument:**

The Charity operates under a constitution originally adopted on 25 November 1979 and amended on subsequent dates (30 August 1980, 17 April 1982, 24 September 2000, and 10 October 2007).

**Constitution Objects and Policies**

The Charity is established:

- To advance the Sikh Religion and provide the facilities for the religious worship and ceremonies.
- To provide the facilities in in the interest of social welfare recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life of the beneficiaries.
- To advance education:
  - (a) by provision of library in the form of books on religion, religious-historical and progressive social literature in Punjabi, Hindi and English languages,
  - (b) by the provision of facilities of teaching English and Punjabi.

## Development, Activities and Achievements

The Charity reported a net surplus of £79,433 (compared to a deficit of £49,185 in 2024). Trustees are satisfied with this year's financial outcome, made possible through voluntary contributions from the Sangat. The gurdwara would not be able to provide such a wide service to all the members and worshipers without continued support of many willing supportive people who give their service voluntarily.

Despite the pressures, the trustees are confident with the ongoing support from the sangat, and it is appropriate to adopt the going concern in preparing the accounts as was applied in previous years. The cash and bank reserves of £770,222 on 31 March 2025 indicates that there are no-material risks to the Charities ability to operate as a going concern. The trustees have confirmed that, after careful review of the reserves policy, the most appropriate measure of reserves for the reserves of the Charity is by reference to the charities liquidity position. In considering the adequacy of the reserves, the Trustees have taken largely discretionary nature of its expenditure into account and relatively stable level of annual donations were received.

Under FRS 102 paragraph 24.5E a grant that becomes receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the entity with no future related costs shall be considered as income in the period it becomes receivable.

Trustees:

Appointment of trustees is governed by the Constitution of the Gurdwara Sahib Woolwich. The constitution allows for the election of the President only and he then appoints his own 'Executive Committee'. The Management of Charity is rested in the hands of selected 'Executive Committee'. The Executive Committee has a tenure of three years.

The names of the Trustees on 31 March 2025 were as follows:

- 1 Gurmukh Singh Mann
- 2 Satnam Singh Nagra
- 3 Manjit Kaur Birak
- 4 Narinder Singh Jassal
- 5 Mandeep Kaur Bains
- 6 Satnam Singh Kanth
- 7 Tarlochan Singh Vaid
- 8 Gurdip Singh Chattha
- 9 Bhupinder Singh Bhoday
- 10 Gurjit Singh Gill
- 11 Balbir Singh Kundi
- 12 Juginder Singh Puri
- 13 Rashpal Kaur Sanghera
- 14 Jaswinder Kaur Khunkhun
- 15 Ram Singh Sanga
- 16 Narinderpal Singh Bahia
- 17 Baljinder Singh Boyal
- 18 Tarlok Singh Kallar

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| 19 | Prem Singh Bhodey     |
| 20 | Santokh Singh Raven   |
| 21 | Juspreet Singh Kundi  |
| 22 | Nirmal Singh Kailey   |
| 23 | Baljinder Singh Sidhu |
| 24 | Jagir Kaur Sekhon     |
| 25 | Parminder Singh Dhesi |

In addition to the Executive Committee, the Constitution requires Holding Trustees as below who take no part in the running of the Gurdwara but in whose names the freehold property of the Gurdwara is registered. Solicitors are in process of getting the land registry updated.

1. Mr Harnaik Singh Kullar
2. Mr Dalver Singh Basi
3. Mr Harjit Singh Vaid
4. Mr Apninder Singh Dhesi

### **Trustee Induction and Training**

Most trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the Charity; when new members are appointed training is provided as required.

### **Risk Management**

The Trustees review the major risks, which the Charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining reserves at current level will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions.

### **Reserves Policy**

There is a reserves policy. Surplus funds are maintained at a high level for the future unrestricted expenditure. They provide sufficient funds to cover management, administration & support and the maintenance of the listed buildings.

### **Statement of Trustees Responsibilities**

Law applicable to Charities in England Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year and its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- b. Observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP.
- c. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- d. State whether applicable accounting standards statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

- e. Prepare the statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

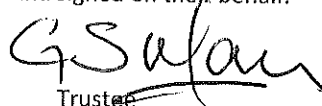
The Trustees are responsible for keeping the accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with relevant legislation. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### Approval

The report was approved by the Trustees on 25-5- 2025 and signed on their behalf.



Trustee

  
Trustee

1 Calderwood Street

Woolwich, SE18 6QW

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S TO THE TRUSTEES OF GURDAWARA SAHIB  
WOOLWICH (WOOLWICH SIKH TEMPLE)**

We report on the accounts of Gurdawara Sahib Woolwich for the year ended 31 March 2025 as set out on Pages 9 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of the 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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act and to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the charity commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act and to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's report**

Our 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 or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as 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 statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements,

to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and

to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date:

25 May 2025

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Statements of Financial Activities  
For the year ended 31 March 2024


	2025			2024		
	Restricted funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	Restricted funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total
<b>Incoming Resources</b>						
Donations & Gift Aid		225,217	225,217		187,498	187,498
HMRC - Job Retention & Small donations Claims		21,214	21,214		21,903	21,903
RBG or GLA grant		4,285	4,285		500	500
Other Misc Inc		596	596		238	238
			-			0
<b>Investment Income</b>			-			0
Bank Interest		4,858	4,858		8,685	8,685
Rents received		43,100	43,100		44,645	44,645
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>299,270</b>	<b>299,270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>263,469</b>	<b>263,469</b>
<b>Resources Expended</b>						
Direct Charitable Expenditure	950	217,237	218,187	1,268	311,846	313,114
Fund Raising & Publicity		1,650	1,650	0	803	803
Management and Administration			-	0	-	0
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>218,887</b>	<b>219,837</b>	<b>1,268</b>	<b>312,649</b>	<b>313,917</b>
<b>Net Incoming Resources</b>	<b>-950</b>	<b>80,383</b>	<b>79,433</b>	<b>-1,268</b>	<b>-49,180</b>	<b>-50,448</b>
<b>Total Funds Brought Forward</b>	<b>3,803</b>	<b>1,886,450</b>	<b>1,890,253</b>	<b>5,071</b>	<b>1,935,630</b>	<b>1,940,701</b>
<b>Total Funds Carried Forward</b>	<b>2,853</b>	<b>1,966,833</b>	<b>1,969,686</b>	<b>3,803</b>	<b>1,886,450</b>	<b>1,890,253</b>

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Balance Sheet For the year ended 31 March 2024	Notes	31-Mar 2025	31-Mar 2024
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets	2	1,199,464	1,206,447
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors (falling due in one year)		-	0
Cash in hand (£3,598 cash)		770,222	689,275
		<u>770,222</u>	<u>689,275</u>
Creditors (amounts falling due in 1 year)	3	-	5,469
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>770,222</u>	<u>683,806</u>
<b>Total Assets less current Liabilities</b>		<u>1,969,686</u>	<u>1,890,253</u>
<b>Capital Funds</b>			
Income Funds			
Restricted Fund		2,853	3,803
Unrestricted Fund		1,966,833	1,886,450
<b>Total</b>		<u>1,969,686</u>	<u>1,890,253</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025 and signed on its behalf by

  
.....Trustee

  
.....Trustee

The Notes on pages 11 and 12 form part of these accounts.

## ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The accounts have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention.

### 1.2. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets are depreciated on a reducing balance basis over their expected useful lives as follows: -

Freehold Property and Improvements - No depreciation is provided as the property is well maintained.

Furniture and Equipment - 15% Reducing Balance Basis

Motor Vehicle - 25% Reducing Balance Basis

### MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership fees which are for life are credited to the Income and Expenditure Account in the year in which they are received.

### DONATIONS

These represents donations received from many well wishers and devotees to the Gurdwara.

Note 2

Fixed Assets	Freehold Property	Improvements Made	Furniture & Equipment	Motor Vehicle	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Net Book Value B/f	234,390	928,037	161,411	38,000	1,361,838
Additions					
Disposals					
Balance c/f	234,390	928,037	161,411	38,000	1,361,838

Depreciation:

Balance b/f			121,194	34,197	155,391
Provision for the year			6,033	950	6,983
Disposals					
<b>Total Dep'n</b>			<b>127,227</b>	<b>35,147</b>	<b>162,374</b>

Net Book Value :

31-Mar-25	234,390	928,037	34,184	2,853	1,199,464
31-Mar-24	234,390	928,037	40,217	3,803	1,206,448

Freehold Prop & Additions	No Dep'n is provided as property is well maintained
Furniture and Equipment	15% reducing balance basis
Motors	25% reducing balance basis

The Motor vehicle donated to the temple is a restricted fund for a specific purpose of taking the holy book @Guru Granth Sahib' from the temple to community homes and /or other places of worship

Note 3

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Creditors & accruals

RBG- Waste Disposal	2280
Disputed Lift Repairs - OTIS	2160
Repairs (Aman)	1029
	<u>5,469</u>

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Income and Expenditure Accounts For the year ended 31 March 2025	31-Mar 2025	31-Mar 2024
	£	£
Donations	223,500	177,556
New Membership (17)	1,717	11,514
HMRC - Job Retention & Small donations Claims	21,214	21,903
Rents Received inc Agents Commission	43,100	43,270
GLA Grant - LED project	<u>4,285</u>	<u>500</u>
	293,816	254,742
Misc Income and gross Loyalty Discount	<u>5,454</u>	<u>8,923</u>
	299,270	263,665
<b>Less:</b>		
Building Insurances	5,734	5,707
Light and heat	34,418	43,771
Events- Sports Day, Sikhi Camp, Jubilee, Women's days out	10,591	6,905
Telephone & internet	720	779
Television	273	159
Water rates and Council Tax	1,911	4,094
Cleaning and refuse collection (accrual)	8,533	5,218
Bank Fees	1,384	1,621
Repairs & Renewals and Maint	13,618	32,154
Renovations:		
Fiat 4 A renovation 24/25	21,508	
Main Kitchen 23/24		66,399
Travelling Motor Vehicle Expenses	1,482	1,198
Printing postage and stationery	338	277
Advertising & Publicity	1,650	803
Wages	46,785	61,011
Donations & Grants Made (Punjabi School, Wellbeing Ctr & Mayor Fund)	5,101	32,502
Equipment Replacement	3,368	15,116
Legal and Professional fees	6,671	3,690
Ration for Langar	29,704	18,902
Letting agents commission	1,925	4,121
Sundry Expenses		58
LED Lighting Expeniture Grant Related	<u>17,140</u>	<u>212,854</u>
		304,485
<b>Depreciation</b>		
Furniture & Equip	6,033	7,097
Motor Vehicle	<u>950</u>	<u>1,268</u>
		8,365
<b>Net Surplus or loss for the year</b>	<u><u>79,433</u></u>	<u><u>-49,185</u></u>
<b>Green Energy Project included in above :</b>		
<b>Income:</b>		
Grant from GLA - LED Project	0	
	<u>4,285</u>	
<b>Less Expenditure:</b>		
<b>B/f Last Year</b>		
Expenditure on Materials & Fitting Charges	<u>17,140</u>	
Funded by the Gurdwara Sahib Woolwich	<u><u>12,855</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>