

LAKSHMI-NARAYANA TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 292677

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1985-12-11

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

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Activities

Objects: (A) TO ADVANCE THE HINDU RELIGION . (B) TO ESTABLISH SECURE OR BUILD A TEMPLE TO SRI MAHALAKSHMI AND SRI NARAYANAR (C) TO RELIEVE SICKNESS. (D) COMMUNITY SERVICE.

Activities: General Charitable Purposes Education/Training Overseas aid/Famine relief Religious activities

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Newham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£1,667,439	£1,050,820	£7,018,751	25
2023-12-31	£1,431,332	£906,947	£5,648,579	17
2022-12-31	£1,218,530	£777,818	£5,298,338	15
2021-12-31	£873,143	£458,628	£4,857,626	13
2020-12-31	£686,699	£619,166	£4,620,745	11

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALWARSAMY RENGAMANNAR	Chair	
Ananth Anandhakrishnan		2019-10-06
Dr Radhakrishnan VENKATASAMY		
KANNAN RAJAN		2011-03-31
Karthigesu Sivarupan		2013-07-01
MARKANDU SUTHARSANAN		2013-07-01
MR SENNAKESAVAN VIAJAYAKUMAR		
NAVANEETHA KRISHNAN RAJU		
RAMAKRISHNAN MOHANAPRAKAS		2011-03-31
SEETHARAMAN SUBBIAH NAIDU		2011-03-31
SETHURAMAN SEENI		
SREENIVASAN KRISHNAN		
SUBBIAH NAIDU SUBBURAM		
THAYALASAMY NAIDU SUBBIAH NAICKER		
THIYAGARAJAN JAYARAMAN		2011-03-31

Accounts

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* *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 1990; 263: 1033-1035.

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees

Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman
Mr S Thayalasamy , Vice President
Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer
Mr K Sivarupan General Secretary
Mr Sethuraman S Asst Secretary
Mr Krishnan Sreenivasan Vice Chairman
Mr S Subburam Vice Chairman
Mr Navaneethakrishnan Raju Asst Treasurer
Mr S Seetharaman Public Relations Officer
Mr R Mohanaprakas Temple Office Manager
Mr J Thiagarajan , Communications
Mr R Kannan , Communications
Mr M Sutharsanan ,Communications
Mr A. Anandhakrishnan

Charity Registration Number

292677

Principal Office

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Auditor

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Chartered Certified Accountants & Statutory auditors
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London
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Bankers

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Plaistow
Leicester
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Charity Bank Limited
Fosse House
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Tonbridge
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Trustees' Report

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's Trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective from 1 January 2015).

Objectives and activities

The trustees hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the religious and charitable purposes for the benefit of the community at large. The objects of the trust are as follows

Religious Service

- To advance Hindu religion particularly by promoting religious and cultural activities
- To establish, secure or build a temple of Sri Mahalakshmi and Sri Narayana, strictly conforming to Hindu temple architecture (hereinafter called 'The Temple') and maintain and manage the same (whether alone or in co-operation with any local authority or other person or body) in furtherance of these objects.

Health Service

Organising sickness relive programmes particularly by provision of periodical health screening services for the people over the age of 40, in order to detect disease at an early stage especially against heart attack, high blood pressure and diabetes mellitus.

Cultural and Educational Service

- To build a cultural and educational centre
- To provide a library with usual and educational books and magazines
- To provide education and other necessary assistance to people with language problems due to lack of English knowledge.
- To provide voluntary help to the elderly and handicapped people.
- Teaching of Indian classical dance (Bharatha Nattiyam), vocal classes and instrumental music classes

The policy of the trust continues to be to seek, support and provide for the aims as stated.

Developments, activities and achievements

In line with the charity's objectives, Lakshmi Narayana Trust continues to provide a centre for the community to gather for worship. Languages and music lessons have continued throughout the year. The number of devotees visiting temple has steadily increased. Planning permission has been granted to build a spacious centre for the purpose of religious services and promotion of cultural, educational services for children, teaching music, bharat- nattiyam, hinduism, conducting yoga and meditation classes, "Bhagavath Geetha" classes, health promotion services for screening and prevention of coronary heart disease, diabetes, hypertension and annadhanam services to students and devotees (daily provision of free lunch and dinner).

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Financial Review

The charitable donation during the year has increased by £ 2,36107 an increase of 16.50 % when compared to 2023. This was mainly due to increase in donation income from devotees and addition of gold and silver jewellery after the removal of Covid-19 restrictions. This is also inclusive of hall hire and rental income received from trust's properties. The trust has a healthy bank balance of £ 330,242 as at 31/12/2024 and therefore the trustees believe that the available funds are sufficient to permit the trust to continue its operation which will improve its cash position further in the future.

The charity continues to prosper through donations and support from the community. The trustees feel that with the support they get from their communities, both locally and internationally, is benefiting to carry out all of its charitable activities. The charity is in a strong financial position at the year end from which it is able to meet all foreseeable charitable obligations.

Going Concern

The trustees are monitoring developments relating to coronavirus regularly and are coordinating its operational response based on existing business continuity plans, in addition to guidance from global health organisations, the government and general pandemic response best practices.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The charity holds reasonable cash reserves to shelter against the impact of the current coronavirus pandemic. In addition, announcements by government of various initiatives to support businesses to address short-term income shortfalls should enable the charity to continue operationally. Thus, the going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The board of Trustees considers that there are sufficient reserves held at the year-end to manage any foreseeable downturn. The Trustees consider that there is a reasonable expectation that Lakshmi Narayan Trust (LNT) has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and, for this reason, the board of Trustees continues to adopt the 'going concern' basis in preparing the accounts.

Reserves policy & risk analysis

The committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the charity. The reserve policy is to hold adequate level of funds to enable the trust to carry out its operations, to meet the financial obligations and to meet its charitable obligations. The attached financial statements show the current state of affairs of the finances, which the committee believes are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the committee is confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

The committee has conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. A risk register has been established and is updated at least annually. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the centre. These procedures are continually reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Social investment policies

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Structure, governance and management

The charity's objects and regulations are regulated by the constitution dated 23 August 1985. Currently, the charity has a management committee which consists of 15 trustees after the resignation of a trustee and cultural secretary, Ms Kumari Selliappan, in January 2023. The trustees who have served during the year are named on page 1. Out of the 15 trustees, 3 trustees are appointed as custodians of the charity valuable stocks.

Any changes in the appointment and retirement of trustees will be discussed in a committee meeting and the final decision will be depending upon majority vote under the trust constitution. All the trustees have to be UK citizen or permanent residents of UK Indian origin. The 3 custodian trustees during the year were:

- Dr Radhakrishnan V, President
- Mr S. Vijayakumar, Treasurer
- Mr K. Sivarupan, General Secretary

Meetings of the trustees are held every three months at which they agree the board strategy and areas of activity for the trust, including the consideration of grant making, reserves and risk management policies and performance. A scheme of delegation is in place for the day to day administration of the trust. The service manager is responsible for the day to day operational management of the centre, individual supervision of the staff team and also ensuring that the team continue to develop their skills and working practices in line with good practice. The president is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and also overseeing the work services, finance and administration staff.

New trustees are considered for appointment after open selection and recommendation throughout the community and taking into account the skill requirements of the trustee body. Due to the vast nature of charitable activities, the committee seeks to ensure that the needs of all groups are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. In order to enhance the potential pool of trustees, the charity has, through selective advertising on the charity's newsletter, notice board, activities etc. sought to identify the appropriately skilled individuals who would be willing to become members of the committee and use their own skills and experiences to assist the charity.

Once appointed, new trustees are invited and encouraged to attend a series of short training sessions (of no more than an hour) to familiarise themselves with the charity and context within which it appears. These are jointly led by the chairman and the president of the committee and cover:

- The obligation of committee members
- The main documents which set out the operational frameworks for the charity
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest accounts
- Future plans and objectives.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on and signed on its behalf by:



Dr Radhakrishnan V, President
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 25th August 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

V Radhakrishnan
Dr Radhakrishnan V, President
Trustee

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lakshmi Narayana Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising Charities SORP - FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and applicable law (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the original financial statements were authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust (continued) **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Report) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities (set out on page 5), the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor Responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

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In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following

- the nature of the charity and sector, control environment and charity's performance
- results of our enquiries of trustees' and the charity's management's own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
- identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance
- detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud
- the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations
- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

We remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit. As required by auditing standards and taking into account possible pressures to achieve targets, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls and the risk of making inappropriate accounting entries.

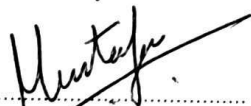
We also performed procedures including identifying journal entries and other adjustments to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documents. These included those posted to unusual accounts.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the trustees those matters we are required to state to trustees in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Mr M Poonawala (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Tahas & Co Ltd, Statutory Auditor

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust (continued) ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024***

Tahas & Co Ltd is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Date: 22 August 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies		1,565,812	1,565,812	1,370,515
Investment income	16	868	868	142
Other income		100,759	100,759	60,675
Total income		<u>1,667,439</u>	<u>1,667,439</u>	<u>1,431,332</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		(1,046,725)	(1,046,725)	(1,065,847)
Other expenditure	17	<u>(4,095)</u>	<u>(4,095)</u>	<u>(1,200)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(1,050,820)</u>	<u>(1,050,820)</u>	<u>(1,067,047)</u>
Net income		<u>616,619</u>	<u>616,619</u>	<u>364,285</u>
Net movement in funds		616,619	616,619	364,285
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>8,259,612</u>	<u>8,259,612</u>	<u>5,284,294</u>
Total funds carried forward	11	<u><u>8,876,231</u></u>	<u><u>8,876,231</u></u>	<u><u>5,648,579</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

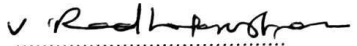
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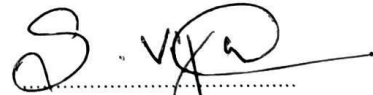
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

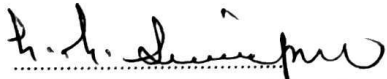
	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	6,718,552	6,110,697
Current assets			
Stocks	5	1,440	1,440
Debtors	6	51,799	56,480
Investments	7	157,367	110,790
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>330,242</u>	<u>169,543</u>
		540,848	338,253
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(240,649)</u>	<u>(141,915)</u>
Net current assets		<u>300,199</u>	<u>196,338</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		7,018,751	6,307,035
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	10	<u>-</u>	<u>(658,456)</u>
Net assets	12	<u><u>7,018,751</u></u>	<u><u>5,648,579</u></u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted	11	8,876,231	8,259,612
Unrestricted revaluation reserve		<u>(1,857,480)</u>	<u>(2,611,033)</u>
Total unrestricted		<u>7,018,751</u>	<u>5,648,579</u>
Total funds	12	<u><u>7,018,751</u></u>	<u><u>5,648,579</u></u>

The financial statements on pages 10 to 19 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 25th August 2025 and signed on their behalf by:


Dr Radhakrishnan V, President
Trustee


Mr A Rengamannar, Chairman
Trustee


Mr S Vijayakumar, Treasurer
Trustee


Mr K Sivarupan General Secretary
Secretary and Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Lakshmi Narayana Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. There are no any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future, based on latest strategic plans and financial budget. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £250,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold Interest in Land & Building	@ 2% reducing balance method
Fixtures, Fittings and equipment	@ 15% reducing balance method

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value / market value.

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO).

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from HMRC for gift aid donations submitted during the year.

They are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. No impairment provision was needed during the year as the receivables were received after the yearend.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Donations and legacies:			
General Donation and congregational activities	1,446,567	1,446,567	1,315,552
Gift aid reclaimed	119,245	119,245	54,963
Interest receivables	868	868	142
	<u>1,566,680</u>	<u>1,566,680</u>	<u>1,370,657</u>

3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Hall Hire and Events	28,759	28,759	24,675
Rental income	72,000	72,000	36,000
	<u>100,759</u>	<u>100,759</u>	<u>60,675</u>

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2024	7,193,949	621,442	7,815,391
Revaluations	<u>753,553</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>753,553</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>7,947,502</u>	<u>621,442</u>	<u>8,568,944</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2024	1,263,899	440,795	1,704,694
Charge for the year	<u>118,601</u>	<u>27,097</u>	<u>145,698</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,382,500</u>	<u>467,892</u>	<u>1,850,392</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2024	<u>6,565,002</u>	<u>153,550</u>	<u>6,718,552</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>5,930,050</u>	<u>180,647</u>	<u>6,110,697</u>

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Included within the carrying value of land and buildings above is £6,565,001 (2023 - £5,930,050) in respect of freehold land and buildings.

Details of Freehold Properties

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 PB
3. 241 High Street North, London E12 6SJ

The above properties have been valued by Mr Pareemit Tyagi an Associate RICS of Easton Bevin, Chartered Building surveyors and checked by Ben O' Brien (MRICS and registered valuer) on 16th June 2025. The properties have been valued by using the comparative method of valuation. As the properties valued with the recent sale prices of similar properties nearby have been compared and adjusted to reflect the particular circumstances of the properties. The above properties have been valued at £925,000, £540,000 and 5,100,000 respectively by the valuers and is recorded in the accounts to reflect their fair value.

Regarding 241 High Street north, this property is the main worshipping temple for the devotees, the property is considered a unique property as very few buildings of this type exist in this area and those that do will be rarely sold. The Trustees feel that the value of the property is enhanced with bespoke construction costs. Hence a different approach to valuation (from the normal market approach using comparable evidence) needed applying, the most usual method of valuation when dealing with this type of property is to apply the Depreciated Replacement Cost (DRC) and as per this method of valuation, this property has been valued at £5.1m. This property is hence valued at cost only.

The Trustees are of the opinion that the carrying value of fixed assets as per the accounts are fairly stated.

5 Stock

	2024 £	2023 £
Stocks	<u>1,440</u>	<u>1,440</u>

6 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	41,295	36,040
Prepayments	10,504	10,277
VAT recoverable	<u>-</u>	<u>10,163</u>
	<u>51,799</u>	<u>56,480</u>

Trade debtors balance of £41,295 (2023: £36,040) which relates to £ 27,000 rental income receivable for the year and £ 14,295 relates to Gift aid receivable.

7 Current asset investments

	2024 £	2023 £
Gold and Silver	<u>157,367</u>	<u>110,790</u>

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All Current assets investments were held in the UK.

The investment includes donations received from devotees by way of precious metals and jewellery.

8 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash on hand	2,500	1,500
Cash at bank	327,742	168,043
	<u>330,242</u>	<u>169,543</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Bank loans	218,857	114,552
Other taxation and social security	4,512	4,459
Other creditors	10,431	16,168
Pension scheme creditor	1,449	1,336
Accruals	5,400	5,400
	<u>240,649</u>	<u>141,915</u>

10 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Bank loans	-	658,456

Bank loans payable after more than one year has been secured by a charge over the charity on the following properties:

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 6PB
3. 241 High Street North, East Ham, London E12 6SJ

11 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
Unrestricted					
General	<u>8,259,612</u>	<u>1,667,439</u>	<u>(1,050,820)</u>	<u>8,876,231</u>	<u>8,259,612</u>

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12 Analysis of net assets between funds

		Unrestricted	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	General £	2024 £	2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	4	6,718,552	6,718,552	6,110,697
Current assets		540,848	540,848	338,253
Current liabilities	9	(240,649)	(240,649)	(141,915)
Creditors over 1 year	10	-	-	(658,456)
Total net assets		<u>7,018,751</u>	<u>7,018,751</u>	<u>5,648,579</u>

13 Analysis of governance and support costs

Support costs allocated to charitable activities

	Support costs £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Rent, rates & insurance	51,455	51,455	39,487
Utilities	155,461	155,461	178,689
Repair and maintenance	44,952	44,952	17,117
Telephone and fax	4,046	4,046	2,598
Computer software and maintenance costs	3,818	3,818	420
Printing, postages & stationery	5,912	5,912	4,091
Travel & Subsistence	1,872	1,872	1,690
Advertising & event expenses	-	-	2,100
Bank Charges	2,743	2,743	3,780
Bank Loan Interest	21,489	21,489	45,959
Audit fees	5,400	5,400	6,000
Depreciation	<u>145,698</u>	<u>145,698</u>	<u>152,900</u>
	<u>442,846</u>	<u>442,846</u>	<u>454,831</u>

14 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

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	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	355,564	288,834
Social security costs	21,376	15,076
Pension costs	6,804	5,284
	<u>383,744</u>	<u>309,194</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2024 No	2023 No
Charitable support staff	23	15
Adminstration staff	2	2
	<u>25</u>	<u>17</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

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15 Expenditure on charitable activities

		Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Note	General	2024	2023
		£	£	£
Pooja & religious activities		106,861	106,861	95,531
Food for congregation		84,013	84,013	155,752
Support costs		309,603	309,603	346,470
Staff costs	14	383,744	383,744	309,194
Governance costs	13	162,504	162,504	158,900
		<u>1,046,725</u>	<u>1,046,725</u>	<u>1,065,847</u>

16 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds	Total funds
	General	
	£	£
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	<u>868</u>	<u>868</u>
Total for 2024	<u>868</u>	<u>868</u>
Total for 2023	<u>142</u>	<u>142</u>

17 Other expenditure

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Total funds
		General	
		£	£
Other resources expended		<u>4,095</u>	<u>4,095</u>
Total for 2024		<u>4,095</u>	<u>4,095</u>
Total for 2023		<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>

Accounts

Charity registration number: 292677

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Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Dr Radhakrishnan V , President Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman Mr S Thayalasamy , Vice President Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer Mr K Sivarupan General Secretary Mr Sethuraman S Asst Secretary Mr Krishnan Sreenivasan Vice Chairman Mr S Subburam Vice Chairman Mr Navaneethakrishnan Raju Asst Treasurer Mr S Seetharaman Public Relations Officer Mr R Mohanaprakas Temple Office Manager Mr J Thiagarajan , Communications Mr R Kannan , Communications Mr M Sutharsanan ,Communications Mr A. Anandhakrishnan
Charity Registration Number	292677
Principal Office	241 High Street North East Ham London E12 6SJ
Auditor	Tahas & Co Ltd Chartered Certified Accountants & Statutory auditors Suite 3, Second Floor 760 Eastern Avenue Newbury Park London IG2 7HU
Bankers	Bank of Scotland St James's Gate 14-16 Cockspur Street London SW1Y 5BL Barclays Bank Plaistow Leicester LE87 2BB Charity Bank Limited Fosse House 182 High Street Tonbridge TN9 1BE

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Trustees' Report

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's Trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective from 1 January 2015).

Objectives and activities

The trustees hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the religious and charitable purposes for the benefit of the community at large. The objects of the trust are as follows

Religious Service

- To advance Hindu religion particularly by promoting religious and cultural activities
- To establish, secure or build a temple of Sri Mahalakshmi and Sri Narayana, strictly conforming to Hindu temple architecture (hereinafter called 'The Temple') and maintain and manage the same (whether alone or in co-operation with any local authority or other person or body) in furtherance of these objects.

Health Service

Organising sickness relive programmes particularly by provision of periodical health screening services for the people over the age of 40, in order to detect disease at an early stage especially against heart attack, high blood pressure and diabetes mellitus.

Cultural and Educational Service

- To build a cultural and educational centre
- To provide a library with usual and educational books and magazines
- To provide education and other necessary assistance to people with language problems due to lack of English knowledge.
- To provide voluntary help to the elderly and handicapped people.
- Teaching of Indian classical dance (Bharatha Nattiyam), vocal classes and instrumental music classes

The policy of the trust continues to be to seek, support and provide for the aims as stated.

Developments, activities and achievements

In line with the charity's objectives, Lakshmi Narayana Trust continues to provide a centre for the community to gather for worship. Languages and music lessons have continued throughout the year. The number of devotees visiting temple has steadily increased. Planning permission has been granted to build a spacious centre for the purpose of religious services and promotion of cultural, educational services for children, teaching music, bharat- nattiyam, hinduism, conducting yoga and meditation classes, "Bhagavath Geetha" classes, health promotion services for screening and prevention of coronary heart disease, diabetes, hypertension and annadhanam services to students and devotees (daily provision of free lunch and dinner).

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Trustees' Report (continued)

The charitable donation during the year has increased by £218,334 an increase of 18% when compared to 2022. This was mainly due to increase in donation income from devotees after the removal of Covid-19 restrictions. This is also inclusive of hall hire and rental income received from trust's properties. The trust has a healthy bank balance of £ 169,543 as at 31/12/2023 and therefore the trustees believe that the available funds are sufficient to permit the trust to continue its operation which will improve its cash position further in the future.

The charity continues to prosper through donations and support from the community. The trustees feel that with the support they get from their communities, both locally and internationally, is benefiting to carry out all of its charitable activities. The charity is in a strong financial position at the year end from which it is able to meet all foreseeable charitable obligations.

Going Concern

The trustees are monitoring developments relating to coronavirus regularly and are coordinating its operational response based on existing business continuity plans, in addition to guidance from global health organisations, the government and general pandemic response best practices.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The charity holds reasonable cash reserves to shelter against the impact of the current coronavirus pandemic. In addition, announcements by government of various initiatives to support businesses to address short-term income shortfalls should enable the charity to continue operationally. Thus, the going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The board of Trustees considers that there are sufficient reserves held at the year-end to manage any foreseeable downturn. The Trustees consider that there is a reasonable expectation that Lakshmi Narayan Trust (LNT) has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and, for this reason, the board of Trustees continues to adopt the 'going concern' basis in preparing the accounts.

Reserves policy & risk analysis

The committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the charity. The reserve policy is to hold adequate level of funds to enable the trust to carry out its operations, to meet the financial obligations and to meet its charitable obligations. The attached financial statements show the current state of affairs of the finances, which the committee believes are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the committee is confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

The committee has conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. A risk register has been established and is updated at least annually. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the centre. These procedures are continually reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Social investment policies

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Structure, governance and management

The charity's objects and regulations are regulated by the constitution dated 23 August 1985. Currently, the charity has a management committee which consists of 15 trustees after the resignation of a trustee and cultural secretary, Ms Kumari Selliappan, in January 2023. The trustees who have served during the year are named on page 1. Out of the 15 trustees, 3 trustees are appointed as custodians of the charity valuable stocks.

Any changes in the appointment and retirement of trustees will be discussed in a committee meeting and the final decision will be depending upon majority vote under the trust constitution. All the trustees have to be UK citizen or permanent residents of UK Indian origin. The 3 custodian trustees during the year were:

- Dr Radhakrishnan V, President
- Mr S. Vijayakumar, Treasurer
- Mr K. Sivarupan, General Secretary

Meetings of the trustees are held every three months at which they agree the board strategy and areas of activity for the trust, including the consideration of grant making, reserves and risk management policies and performance. A scheme of delegation is in place for the day to day administration of the trust. The service manager is responsible for the day to day operational management of the centre, individual supervision of the staff team and also ensuring that the team continue to develop their skills and working practices in line with good practice. The president is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and also overseeing the work services, finance and administration staff.

New trustees are considered for appointment after open selection and recommendation throughout the community and taking into account the skill requirements of the trustee body. Due to the vast nature of charitable activities, the committee seeks to ensure that the needs of all groups are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. In order to enhance the potential pool of trustees, the charity has, through selective advertising on the charity's newsletter, notice board, activities etc. sought to identify the appropriately skilled individuals who would be willing to become members of the committee and use their own skills and experiences to assist the charity.

Once appointed, new trustees are invited and encouraged to attend a series of short training sessions (of no more than an hour) to familiarise themselves with the charity and context within which it appears. These are jointly led by the chairman and the president of the committee and cover:

- The obligation of committee members
- The main documents which set out the operational frameworks for the charity
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest accounts
- Future plans and objectives.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 9 September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023***

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 9 September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lakshmi Narayana Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising Charities SORP - FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and applicable law (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the original financial statements were authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Report) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities (set out on page 5), the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor Responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

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In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following

- the nature of the charity and sector, control environment and charity's performance
- results of our enquiries of trustees' and the charity's management's own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
- identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance
- detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud
- the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations
- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

We remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit. As required by auditing standards and taking into account possible pressures to achieve targets, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls and the risk of making inappropriate accounting entries.

We also performed procedures including identifying journal entries and other adjustments to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documents. These included those posted to unusual accounts.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the trustees those matters we are required to state to trustees in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Mr M Poonawala (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Tahas & Co Ltd, Statutory Auditor

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Tahas & Co Ltd is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Date: 9 September 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies		1,370,515	1,370,515	1,195,479
Investment income	16	142	142	-
Other income		60,675	60,675	23,051
Total income		<u>1,431,332</u>	<u>1,431,332</u>	<u>1,218,530</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		(1,065,847)	(1,065,847)	(777,818)
Other expenditure	17	<u>(1,200)</u>	<u>(1,200)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(1,067,047)</u>	<u>(1,067,047)</u>	<u>(777,818)</u>
Net income		<u>364,285</u>	<u>364,285</u>	<u>440,712</u>
Net movement in funds		364,285	364,285	440,712
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>7,895,327</u>	<u>7,895,327</u>	<u>4,857,626</u>
Total funds carried forward	11	<u><u>8,259,612</u></u>	<u><u>8,259,612</u></u>	<u><u>5,298,338</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

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(Registration number: 292677)

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	6,110,697	6,263,597
Current assets			
Stocks	5	1,440	1,147
Debtors	6	56,480	37,250
Investments	7	110,790	56,157
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>169,543</u>	<u>469,037</u>
		338,253	563,591
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(141,915)</u>	<u>(132,364)</u>
Net current assets		<u>196,338</u>	<u>431,227</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		6,307,035	6,694,824
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	10	<u>(658,456)</u>	<u>(1,396,486)</u>
Net assets	12	<u><u>5,648,579</u></u>	<u><u>5,298,338</u></u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted	11	8,259,612	7,909,371
Unrestricted revaluation reserve		<u>(2,611,033)</u>	<u>(2,611,033)</u>
Total unrestricted		<u>5,648,579</u>	<u>5,298,338</u>
Total funds	12	<u><u>5,648,579</u></u>	<u><u>5,298,338</u></u>

The financial statements on pages 10 to 19 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 9 September 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman
Trustee

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Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer
Trustee

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Mr K Sivarupan General Secretary
Secretary and Trustee

Lakshmi Narayana Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Lakshmi Narayana Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. There are no any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future, based on latest strategic plans and financial budget. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

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Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £250,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold Interest in Land & Building	@ 2% reducing balance method
Fixtures, Fittings and equipment	@ 15% reducing balance method

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value / market value.

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO).

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from HMRC for gift aid donations submitted during the year.

They are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. No impairment provision was needed during the year as the receivables were received after the yearend.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

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Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Donations and legacies;			
General Donation and congregational activities	1,315,552	1,315,552	1,127,903
Gift aid reclaimed	54,963	54,963	67,576
Interest receivables	142	142	-
	<u>1,370,657</u>	<u>1,370,657</u>	<u>1,195,479</u>

3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Hall Hire and Events	24,675	24,675	23,051
Rental income	36,000	36,000	-
	<u>60,675</u>	<u>60,675</u>	<u>23,051</u>

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2023	<u>7,193,949</u>	<u>621,442</u>	<u>7,815,391</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>7,193,949</u>	<u>621,442</u>	<u>7,815,391</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2023	1,142,878	408,916	1,551,794
Charge for the year	<u>121,021</u>	<u>31,879</u>	<u>152,900</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,263,899</u>	<u>440,795</u>	<u>1,704,694</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2023	<u>5,930,050</u>	<u>180,647</u>	<u>6,110,697</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>6,051,071</u>	<u>212,526</u>	<u>6,263,597</u>

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Included within the carrying value of land and buildings above is £5,930,050 (2022 - £6,051,071) in respect of freehold land and buildings.

Details of Freehold Properties

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 PB
3. 241 High Street North, London E12 6SJ

The properties at 168 Browning Road & 272 High Street North have been valued by Mr Stuart Jefcoate (MRICS) of B Bailey & Co Ltd on 28th Sept 2020. The properties have been valued by using the comparative method of valuation. As the two properties are normal properties, the recent sale prices of similar properties nearby have been compared and adjusted to reflect the particular circumstances of the above properties. The above properties have been valued at £525,000 and £1,030,000 respectively by the valuers and is reflected in the accounts to reflect their fair value.

Regarding 241 High Street north, the property have been valued by Hannah Munn BSC(Hons) (MRICS) of Copping Joyce Surveyors Ltd on 12th Oct 2020, the valuation of the building is £3,175,000. As this property is the main worshipping temple for the devotees, the property is considered a unique property as very few buildings of this type exist in this area and those that do will be rarely sold. The Trustees feel that the value of the property is enhanced with bespoke construction costs. Hence a different approach to valuation (from the normal market approach using comparable evidence) needed applying, the most usual method of valuation when dealing with this type of property is to apply the Depreciated Replacement Cost (DRC) and as per this method of valuation, this property has been valued at £5.5m. This property is hence valued at cost only.

The Trustees are of the opinion that the carrying value of fixed assets as per the accounts are fairly stated.

5 Stock

	2023 £	2022 £
Stocks	<u>1,440</u>	<u>1,147</u>

6 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	36,040	16,824
Prepayments	10,277	11,379
VAT recoverable	<u>10,163</u>	<u>9,047</u>
	<u>56,480</u>	<u>37,250</u>

Trade debtors balance of £36,040 (2022: £16,824.23) of which £21,133.88 relates to Gift aid claims for the year .

7 Current asset investments

	2023 £	2022 £
Gold	<u>110,790</u>	<u>56,157</u>

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All Current assets investments were held in the UK.

The investment includes donations received from devotees by way of precious metals and jewellery.

8 Cash and cash equivalents

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash on hand	1,500	702
Cash at bank	168,043	468,335
	<u>169,543</u>	<u>469,037</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Bank loans	114,552	100,070
Other taxation and social security	4,459	2,329
Other creditors	16,168	12,639
Pension scheme creditor	1,336	-
Accruals	5,400	17,326
	<u>141,915</u>	<u>132,364</u>

10 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Bank loans	<u>658,456</u>	<u>1,396,486</u>

Bank loans payable after more than one year has been secured by a charge over the charity on the following properties:

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 6PB
3. 241 High Street North, East Ham, London E12 6SJ

The properties were valued by independent valuers on 29th September and 12th October 2020, all the above properties are valued in the region of £4.73m

11 Funds

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted					
General	<u>7,895,327</u>	<u>1,431,332</u>	<u>(1,067,047)</u>	<u>8,259,612</u>	<u>7,909,371</u>

12 Analysis of net assets between funds

		Unrestricted	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	Notes	General £	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	4	6,110,697	6,110,697	6,263,597
Current assets		338,253	338,253	563,591
Current liabilities	9	(141,915)	(141,915)	(132,364)
Creditors over 1 year	10	<u>(658,456)</u>	<u>(658,456)</u>	<u>(1,396,486)</u>
Total net assets		<u>5,648,579</u>	<u>5,648,579</u>	<u>5,298,338</u>

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13 Analysis of governance and support costs

Support costs allocated to charitable activities

	Support costs £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Rent,rates & insurance	39,487	39,487	26,097
Utilities	178,689	178,689	58,491
Repair and maintenance	17,117	17,117	41,844
Telephone and fax	2,598	2,598	2,627
Computer software and maintenance costs	420	420	2,012
Printing,postages & stationery	4,091	4,091	2,004
Travel & Subsistence	1,690	1,690	767
Advertising & event expenses	2,100	2,100	2,947
Bank Charges	3,780	3,780	3,583
Bank Loan Interest	45,959	45,959	63,378
Audit fees	6,000	6,000	3,951
Depreciation	152,900	152,900	160,995
	<u>454,831</u>	<u>454,831</u>	<u>368,696</u>

14 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	288,834	225,114
Social security costs	15,076	13,432
Pension costs	5,284	4,769
	<u>309,194</u>	<u>243,315</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2023 No	2022 No
Charitable support staff	15	13
Adminstration staff	2	2
	<u>17</u>	<u>15</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

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15 Expenditure on charitable activities

		Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Note	General	2023	2022
		£	£	£
Pooja & religious activities		95,531	95,531	103,373
Food for congregation		155,752	155,752	76,477
Support costs		346,470	346,470	189,707
Staff costs	14	309,194	309,194	243,315
Governance costs	13	158,900	158,900	164,946
		<u>1,065,847</u>	<u>1,065,847</u>	<u>777,818</u>

16 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds	Total funds
	General	funds
	£	£
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	<u>142</u>	<u>142</u>
Total for 2023	<u>142</u>	<u>142</u>

17 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Total funds
	General	funds
	£	£
Other resources expended	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>
Total for 2023	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>

Accounts

Charity registration number: 292677

Lakshmi Narayana Trust

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Lakshmi Narayana Trust

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees

Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman
Mr S Thayalasamy , Vice President
Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer
Mr K Sivarupan , General Secretary
Mr Sethuraman S , Asst Secretary
Mr Krishnan Sreenivasan ,Vice Chairman
Mr S Subburam , Vice Chairman
Mr Navaneethakrishnan Raju , Asst Treasurer
Mr S Seetharaman , Public Relations Officer
Mr R Mohanaprakas , Temple Office Manager
Ms Kumari Selliappan , Cultural Secretary
Mr J Thiyagarajan , Communications
Mr R Kannan , Communications
Mr M Sutharsanan ,Communications
Mr A Anandhakrishnan Communications

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Charity Registration Number

292677

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Lakshmi Narayana Trust

Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's Trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective from 1 January 2015).

Objectives and activities

The trustees hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the religious and charitable purposes for the benefit of the community at large. The objects of the trust are as follows

Religious Service

- To advance Hindu religion particularly by promoting religious and cultural activities
- To establish, secure or build a temple of Sri Mahalakshmi and Sri Narayana, strictly conforming to Hindu temple architecture (hereinafter called 'The Temple') and maintain and manage the same (whether alone or in co-operation with any local authority or other person or body) in furtherance of these objects.

Health Service

Organising sickness relive programmes particularly by provision of periodical health screening services for the people over the age of 40, in order to detect disease at an early stage especially against heart attack, high blood pressure and diabetes mellitus.

Cultural and Educational Service

- To build a cultural and educational centre
- To provide a library with usual and educational books and magazines
- To provide education and other necessary assistance to people with language problems due to lack of English knowledge.
- To provide voluntary help to the elderly and handicapped people.
- Teaching of Indian classical dance (Bharatha Nattiyam), vocal classes and instrumental music classes

The policy of the trust continues to be to seek, support and provide for the aims as stated.

Developments, activities and achievements

In line with the charity's objectives, Lakshmi Narayan Trust continues to provide a centre for the community to gather for worship. Languages and music lessons have continued throughout the year. The number of devotees visiting temple has steadily increased. Planning permission has been granted to build a spacious centre for the purpose of religious services and promotion of cultural, educational services for children, teaching music, bharat- nattiyam, Hinduism, conducting yoga and meditation classes, "Bhagavath Geetha" classes, health promotion services for screening and prevention of coronary heart disease, diabetes, hypertension and annadhanam services to students and devotees (daily provision of free lunch and dinner).

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Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The charitable donation during the year has increased by £345390.47 an increase of 40% when compared to 2021. This was mainly due to increase in donation income from devotees after the removal of Covid-19 restrictions. The trust has a healthy bank balance of £ 469,037 as at 31/12/2022 and therefore the trustees believe that the available funds are sufficient to permit the trust to continue its operation which will improve its cash position further in the future.

The charity continues to prosper through donations and support from the community. The trustees feel that with the support they get from their communities, both locally and internationally, is benefiting to carry out all of its charitable activities. The charity is in a strong financial position at the year end from which it is able to meet all foreseeable charitable obligations.

Going Concern & Impact of COVID-19

Since the start of January 2020, the coronavirus outbreak, which is a rapidly evolving situation, has adversely impacted global commercial activities. The rapid development and fluidity of this situation precludes any prediction as to its ultimate impact, which may have a continued adverse impact on economic and market conditions and trigger a period of global economic slowdown.

The financial impact of the pandemic on the valuation of tangible fixed assets, financial assets and financial liabilities as at the balance sheet date has been reflected in the financial statements.

The trustees are monitoring developments relating to coronavirus regularly and are coordinating its operational response based on existing business continuity plans, in addition to guidance from global health organisations, the government and general pandemic response best practices.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The charity holds reasonable cash reserves to shelter against the impact of the current coronavirus pandemic. In addition, announcements by government of various initiatives to support businesses to address short-term income shortfalls should enable the charity to continue operationally. Thus, the going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The board of Trustees considers that there are sufficient reserves held at the year-end to manage any foreseeable downturn. The Trustees consider that there is a reasonable expectation that Lakshmi Narayan Trust (LNT) has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and, for this reason, the board of Trustees continues to adopt the 'going concern' basis in preparing the accounts.

Reserves policy & risk analysis

The committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the charity. The reserve policy is to hold adequate level of funds to enable the trust to carry out its operations, to meet the financial obligations and to meet its charitable obligations. The attached financial statements show the current state of affairs of the finances, which the committee believes are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the committee is confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

The committee has conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. A risk register has been established and is updated at least annually. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the centre. These procedures are continually reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

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Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Social investment policies

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Structure, governance and management

The charity's objects and regulations are regulated by the constitution dated 23 August 1985. The charity has a management committee which consists of 16 trustees. The trustees who have served during the year are named on page 1. Out of the 16 trustees, 3 trustees are appointed as custodians of the charity valuable stocks. Any changes in the appointment and retirement of trustees will be discussed in a committee meeting and the final decision will be depending upon majority vote under the trust constitution. All the trustees have to be UK citizen or permanent residents of UK Indian origin. The 3 custodian trustees during the year were:

- Dr Radhakrishnan V, President
- Mr S. Vijayakumar, Treasurer and
- Mr K. Sivarupan, General Secretary

Meetings of the trustees are held every three months at which they agree the board strategy and areas of activity for the trust, including the consideration of grant making, reserves and risk management policies and performance. A scheme of delegation is in place for the day to day administration of the trust. The service manager is responsible for the day to day operational management of the centre, individual supervision of the staff team and also ensuring that the team continue to develop their skills and working practices in line with good practice. The president is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and also overseeing the work services, finance and administration staff.

New trustees are considered for appointment after open selection and recommendation throughout the community and taking into account the skill requirements of the trustee body. Due to the vast nature of charitable activities, the committee seeks to ensure that the needs of all groups are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. In order to enhance the potential pool of trustees, the charity has, through selective advertising on the charity's newsletter, notice board, activities etc. sought to identify the appropriately skilled individuals who would be willing to become members of the committee and use their own skills and experiences to assist the charity.

Once appointed, new trustees are invited and encouraged to attend a series of short training sessions (of no more than an hour) to familiarise themselves with the charity and context within which it appears. These are jointly led by the chairman and the president of the committee and cover:

- The obligation of committee members
- The main documents which set out the operational frameworks for the charity
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest accounts
- Future plans and objectives.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on and signed on its behalf by:

Lakshmi Narayana Trust

Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

Lakshmi Narayana Trust

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022***

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on and signed on its behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

Lakshmi Narayana Trust

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lakshmi Narayana Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2022, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising Charities SORP - FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and applicable law (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the original financial statements were authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities (set out on page 6), the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

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In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following

- the nature of the charity and sector, control environment and charity's performance
- results of our enquiries of trustees' and the charity's management's own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
- identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance
- detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud
- the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations
- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

We remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit. As required by auditing standards and taking into account possible pressures to achieve targets, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls and the risk of making inappropriate accounting entries.

We also performed procedures including identifying journal entries and other adjustments to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documents. These included those posted to unusual accounts.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the trustees those matters we are required to state to trustees in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

.....
Mr M Poonawala (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Tahas & Co Ltd, Statutory Auditor

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust *FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022*

Date:.....

Tahas & Co Ltd is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	1,218,530	1,218,530	850,926
Other income		-	-	22,217
Total Income		<u>1,218,530</u>	<u>1,218,530</u>	<u>873,143</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	4	<u>(777,818)</u>	<u>(777,818)</u>	<u>(636,262)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(777,818)</u>	<u>(777,818)</u>	<u>(636,262)</u>
Net movement in funds		440,712	440,712	236,881
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>7,468,659</u>	<u>7,468,659</u>	<u>7,231,778</u>
Total funds carried forward	14	<u><u>7,909,371</u></u>	<u><u>7,909,371</u></u>	<u><u>7,468,659</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	7	6,263,597	6,424,592
Current assets			
Stocks	8	1,147	1,147
Debtors	9	37,250	50,044
Investments	10	56,157	51,467
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>469,037</u>	<u>227,535</u>
		563,591	330,193
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(132,364)</u>	<u>(129,324)</u>
Net current assets		<u>431,227</u>	<u>200,869</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		6,694,824	6,625,461
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	13	<u>(1,396,486)</u>	<u>(1,767,835)</u>
Net assets	15	<u><u>5,298,338</u></u>	<u><u>4,857,626</u></u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted	14	7,909,371	7,468,659
Unrestricted revaluation reserve		<u>(2,611,033)</u>	<u>(2,611,033)</u>
Total unrestricted		<u>5,298,338</u>	<u>4,857,626</u>
Total funds	15	<u><u>5,298,338</u></u>	<u><u>4,857,626</u></u>

The financial statements on pages 11 to 20 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman
Trustee

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Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer
Trustee

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Mr K Sivarupan , General Secretary
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Lakshmi Narayana Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. There are no any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future, based on latest strategic plans and financial budget. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

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Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £250,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold Interest in Land & Building	@ 2% reducing balance method
Fixtures, Fittings and equipment	@ 15% reducing balance method

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value / market value.

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO).

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from HMRC for gift aid donations submitted during the year.

They are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. No impairment provision was needed during the year as the receivables were received after the yearend.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Donations and legacies;			
General Donation and congregational activities	1,150,954	1,150,954	798,660
Gift aid reclaimed	67,576	67,576	52,266
	<u>1,218,530</u>	<u>1,218,530</u>	<u>850,926</u>

3 Other income

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
HMRC JRS Grant	-	22,217

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4 Expenditure on charitable activities

		Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Note	General	2022	2021
		£	£	£
Pooja & religious activities		103,373	103,373	43,631
Food for congregation		76,477	76,477	42,586
Support costs		189,707	189,707	178,120
Staff costs	6	243,315	243,315	198,291
Governance costs	5	164,946	164,946	173,634
		<u>777,818</u>	<u>777,818</u>	<u>636,262</u>

5 Analysis of governance and support costs

Support costs allocated to charitable activities

	Governance costs	Support costs	Total	Total
	£	£	2022	2021
			£	£
Rent,rates & insurance	-	26,097	26,097	21,979
Utilities	-	58,491	58,491	59,289
Repair and maintenance	-	41,844	41,844	26,782
Telephone and fax	-	2,627	2,627	2,395
Computer software and maintenance costs	-	2,012	2,012	2,057
Printing,postages & stationery	-	2,004	2,004	2,235
Travel & Subsistence	-	767	767	810
Advertising & event expenses	-	2,947	2,947	3,197
Bank Charges	-	3,583	3,583	3,645
Bank Loan Interest	-	49,334	49,334	55,731
Audit fees	3,951	-	3,951	3,500
Depreciation	160,995	-	160,995	170,134
	<u>164,946</u>	<u>189,706</u>	<u>354,652</u>	<u>351,754</u>

6 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

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	2022 £	2021 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	225,114	186,468
Social security costs	13,432	8,404
Pension costs	4,769	3,419
	<u>243,315</u>	<u>198,291</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2022 No	2021 No
Charitable support staff	13	11
Administration staff	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>15</u>	<u>13</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2022	<u>7,193,949</u>	<u>621,442</u>	<u>7,815,391</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>7,193,949</u>	<u>621,442</u>	<u>7,815,391</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2022	1,019,387	371,412	1,390,799
Charge for the year	<u>123,491</u>	<u>37,504</u>	<u>160,995</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,142,878</u>	<u>408,916</u>	<u>1,551,794</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2022	<u>6,051,071</u>	<u>212,526</u>	<u>6,263,597</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>6,174,562</u>	<u>250,030</u>	<u>6,424,592</u>

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Included within the carrying value of land and buildings above is £6,051,071 (2021 - £6,174,562) in respect of freehold land and buildings.

Details of Freehold Properties

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 PB
3. 241 High Street North, London E12 6SJ

The properties at 168 Browning Road & 272 High Street North have been valued by Mr Stuart Jefcoate (MRICS) of B Bailey & Co Ltd on 28th Sept 2020. The properties have been valued by using the comparative method of valuation. As the two properties are normal properties, the recent sale prices of similar properties nearby have been compared and adjusted to reflect the particular circumstances of the above properties. The above properties have been valued at £525,000 and £1,030,000 respectively by the valuers and is reflected in the accounts to reflect their fair value.

Regarding 241 High Street north, the property have been valued by Hannah Munn BSC(Hons) (MRICS) of Copping Joyce Surveyors Ltd on 12th Oct 2020, the valuation of the building is £3,175,000. As this property is the main worshipping temple for the devotees, the property is considered a unique property as very few buildings of this type exist in this area and those that do will be rarely sold. The Trustees feel that the value of the property is enhanced with bespoke construction costs. Hence a different approach to valuation (from the normal market approach using comparable evidence) needed applying, the most usual method of valuation when dealing with this type of property is to apply the Depreciated Replacement Cost (DRC) and as per this method of valuation, this property has been valued at £5.5m. This property is hence valued at cost only.

The Trustees are of the opinion that the carrying value of fixed assets as per the accounts are fairly stated.

8 Stock

	2022 £	2021 £
Stocks	<u>1,147</u>	<u>1,147</u>

9 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	16,824	35,597
Prepayments	11,379	9,116
VAT recoverable	<u>9,047</u>	<u>5,331</u>
	<u>37,250</u>	<u>50,044</u>

Trade debtors balance of £16,824.23 (2021: £35,597) of which £4,741.25 relates to Gift aid claims for the year .

10 Current asset investments

	2022 £	2021 £
Gold	<u>56,157</u>	<u>51,467</u>

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All Current assets investments were held in the UK.

The investment includes donations received from devotees by way of precious metals and jewellery.

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash on hand	702	702
Cash at bank	468,335	226,833
	<u>469,037</u>	<u>227,535</u>

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank loans	100,070	115,276
Other taxation and social security	2,329	4,512
Other creditors	12,639	2,937
Accruals	17,326	6,599
	<u>132,364</u>	<u>129,324</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank loans	<u>1,396,486</u>	<u>1,767,835</u>

Bank loans payable after more than one year has been secured by a charge over the charity on the following properties:

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 6PB
3. 241 High Street North, East Ham, London E12 6SJ

The properties were valued by independent valuers on 29th September and 12th October 2020, all the above properties are valued in the region of £4.73m

14 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted					
General	<u>7,468,659</u>	<u>1,218,530</u>	<u>(777,818)</u>	<u>7,909,371</u>	<u>7,468,659</u>

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15 Analysis of net assets between funds

		Unrestricted	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	General	2021	2020
		£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	7	6,263,597	6,263,597	6,424,592
Current assets		563,591	563,591	330,193
Current liabilities	12	(132,364)	(132,364)	(129,324)
Creditors over 1 year	13	<u>(1,396,486)</u>	<u>(1,396,486)</u>	<u>(1,767,835)</u>
Total net assets		<u>5,298,338</u>	<u>5,298,338</u>	<u>4,857,626</u>

Accounts

Charity registration number: 292677

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Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees

Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman
Mr S Thayalasamy , Vice President
Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer
Mr K Sivarupan , General Secretary
Mr Sethuraman S , Asst Secretary
Mr Krishnan Sreenivasan ,Vice Chairman
Mr S Subburam , Vice Chairman
Mr Navaneethakrishnan Raju , Asst Treasurer
Mr S Seetharaman , Public Relations Officer
Mr R Mohanaprakas , Temple Office Manager
Ms Kumari Selliappan , Cultural Secretary
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Mr R Kannan , Communications
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Mr A Anandhakrishnan Communications

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Lakshmi Narayana Trust

Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's Trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective from 1 January 2015).

Objectives and activities

The trustees hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the religious and charitable purposes for the benefit of the community at large. The objects of the trust are as follows

Religious Service

- To advance Hindu religion particularly by promoting religious and cultural activities
- To establish, secure or build a temple of Sri Mahalakshmi and Sri Narayana, strictly conforming to Hindu temple architecture (hereinafter called 'The Temple') and maintain and manage the same (whether alone or in co-operation with any local authority or other person or body) in furtherance of these objects.

Health Service

Organising sickness relive programmes particularly by provision of periodical health screening services for the people over the age of 40, in order to detect disease at an early stage especially against heart attack, high blood pressure and diabetes mellitus.

Cultural and Educational Service

- To build a cultural and educational centre
- To provide a library with usual and educational books and magazines
- To provide education and other necessary assistance to people with language problems due to lack of English knowledge.
- To provide voluntary help to the elderly and handicapped people.
- Teaching of Indian classical dance (Bharatha Nattiyam), vocal classes and instrumental music classes

The policy of the trust continues to be to seek, support and provide for the aims as stated.

Developments, activities and achievements

In line with the charity's objectives, Lakshmi Narayan Trust continues to provide a centre for the community to gather for worship. Languages and music lessons have continued throughout the year. The number of devotees visiting temple has steadily increased. Planning permission has been granted to build a spacious centre for the purpose of religious services and promotion of cultural, educational services for children, teaching music, bharat- nattiyam, Hinduism, conducting yoga and meditation classes, "Bhagavath Geetha" classes, health promotion services for screening and prevention of coronary heart disease, diabetes, hypertension and annadhanam services to students and devotees (daily provision of free lunch and dinner).

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Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The charitable donation during the year has increased by £186,444 an increase of 27% when compared to 2020. This was mainly due to increase in donation income from devotees after the removal of Covid-19 restrictions. However with HMRC Furlough Scheme, charity received grant of £22,217 (£40,328 in 2020) which helped the trust to support its level of charitable activities. The trust has a healthy bank balance of £227,535 as at 31/12/2021 and therefore the trustees believe that the available funds are sufficient to permit the trust to continue its operation which will improve its cash position further in the future.

The charity continues to prosper through donations and support from the community. The trustees feel that with the support they get from their communities, both locally and internationally, is benefiting to carry out all of its charitable activities. The charity is in a strong financial position at the year end from which it is able to meet all foreseeable charitable obligations.

Going Concern & Impact of COVID-19

Since the start of January 2020, the coronavirus outbreak, which is a rapidly evolving situation, has adversely impacted global commercial activities. The rapid development and fluidity of this situation precludes any prediction as to its ultimate impact, which may have a continued adverse impact on economic and market conditions and trigger a period of global economic slowdown.

The financial impact of the pandemic on the valuation of tangible fixed assets, financial assets and financial liabilities as at the balance sheet date has been reflected in the financial statements.

The trustees are monitoring developments relating to coronavirus regularly and are coordinating its operational response based on existing business continuity plans, in addition to guidance from global health organisations, the government and general pandemic response best practices.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The charity holds reasonable cash reserves to shelter against the impact of the current coronavirus pandemic. In addition, announcements by government of various initiatives to support businesses to address short-term income shortfalls should enable the charity to continue operationally. Thus, the going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The board of Trustees considers that there are sufficient reserves held at the year-end to manage any foreseeable downturn. The Trustees consider that there is a reasonable expectation that Lakshmi Narayan Trust (LNT) has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and, for this reason, the board of Trustees continues to adopt the 'going concern' basis in preparing the accounts.

Reserves policy & risk analysis

The committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the charity. The reserve policy is to hold adequate level of funds to enable the trust to carry out its operations, to meet the financial obligations and to meet its charitable obligations. The attached financial statements show the current state of affairs of the finances, which the committee believes are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the committee is confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

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The committee has conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. A risk register has been established and is updated at least annually. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the centre. These procedures are continually reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Social investment policies

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Structure, governance and management

The charity's objects and regulations are regulated by the constitution dated 23 August 1985. The charity has a management committee which consists of 16 trustees. The trustees who have served during the year are named on page 1. Out of the 16 trustees, 3 trustees are appointed as custodians of the charity valuable stocks. Any changes in the appointment and retirement of trustees will be discussed in a committee meeting and the final decision will be depending upon majority vote under the trust constitution. All the trustees have to be UK citizen or permanent residents of UK Indian origin. The 3 custodian trustees during the year were:

- Dr Radhakrishnan V, President
- Mr S. Vijayakumar, Treasurer and
- Mr K. Sivarupan, General Secretary

Meetings of the trustees are held every three months at which they agree the board strategy and areas of activity for the trust, including the consideration of grant making, reserves and risk management policies and performance. A scheme of delegation is in place for the day to day administration of the trust. The service manager is responsible for the day to day operational management of the centre, individual supervision of the staff team and also ensuring that the team continue to develop their skills and working practices in line with good practice. The president is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and also overseeing the work services, finance and administration staff.

New trustees are considered for appointment after open selection and recommendation throughout the community and taking into account the skill requirements of the trustee body. Due to the vast nature of charitable activities, the committee seeks to ensure that the needs of all groups are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. In order to enhance the potential pool of trustees, the charity has, through selective advertising on the charity's newsletter, notice board, activities etc. sought to identify the appropriately skilled individuals who would be willing to become members of the committee and use their own skills and experiences to assist the charity.

Once appointed, new trustees are invited and encouraged to attend a series of short training sessions (of no more than an hour) to familiarise themselves with the charity and context within which it appears. These are jointly led by the chairman and the president of the committee and cover:

- The obligation of committee members
- The main documents which set out the operational frameworks for the charity
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest accounts
- Future plans and objectives.

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Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 28 October 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021***

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 28 October 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lakshmi Narayana Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2021, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising Charities SORP - FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and applicable law (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the original financial statements were authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities (set out on page 6), the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

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In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following

- the nature of the charity and sector, control environment and charity's performance
- results of our enquiries of trustees' and the charity's management's own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
- identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance
- detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud
- the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations
- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

We remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit. As required by auditing standards and taking into account possible pressures to achieve targets, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls and the risk of making inappropriate accounting entries.

We also performed procedures including identifying journal entries and other adjustments to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documents. These included those posted to unusual accounts.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the trustees those matters we are required to state to trustees in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Mr M Poonawala (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Tahas & Co Ltd, Statutory Auditor

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021***

28 October 2022

Tahas & Co Ltd is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	850,926	850,926	646,371
Other income		<u>22,217</u>	<u>22,217</u>	<u>40,328</u>
Total Income		<u>873,143</u>	<u>873,143</u>	<u>686,699</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	4	<u>(636,262)</u>	<u>(636,262)</u>	<u>(619,166)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(636,262)</u>	<u>(636,262)</u>	<u>(619,166)</u>
Net movement in funds		236,881	236,881	67,533
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>7,231,778</u>	<u>7,231,778</u>	<u>7,164,245</u>
Total funds carried forward	14	<u><u>7,468,659</u></u>	<u><u>7,468,659</u></u>	<u><u>7,231,778</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	7	6,424,592	6,594,726
Current assets			
Stocks	8	1,147	1,147
Debtors	9	50,044	29,939
Investments	10	51,467	42,317
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>227,535</u>	<u>173,514</u>
		330,193	246,917
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(129,324)</u>	<u>(130,494)</u>
Net current assets		<u>200,869</u>	<u>116,423</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		6,625,461	6,711,149
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	13	<u>(1,767,835)</u>	<u>(2,090,404)</u>
Net assets	15	<u>4,857,626</u>	<u>4,620,745</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted	14	7,468,659	7,231,778
Unrestricted revaluation reserve		<u>(2,611,033)</u>	<u>(2,611,033)</u>
Total unrestricted		<u>4,857,626</u>	<u>4,620,745</u>
Total funds	15	<u>4,857,626</u>	<u>4,620,745</u>

The financial statements on pages 11 to 20 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 28 October 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman
Trustee

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Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer
Trustee

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Mr K Sivarupan , General Secretary
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Lakshmi Narayana Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. There are no any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future, based on latest strategic plans and financial budget. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

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Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £250,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold Interest in Land & Building	@ 2% reducing balance method
Fixtures, Fittings and equipment	@ 15% reducing balance method

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value / market value.

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO).

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from HMRC for gift aid donations submitted during the year.

They are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. No impairment provision was needed during the year as the receivables were received after the yearend.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Donations and legacies;			
General Donation and congregational activities	798,660	798,660	597,485
Gift aid reclaimed	52,266	52,266	48,886
	<u>850,926</u>	<u>850,926</u>	<u>646,371</u>

3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
HMRC JRS Grant	22,217	22,217	40,328
	<u>22,217</u>	<u>22,217</u>	<u>40,328</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

		Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Note	General	2021	2020
		£	£	£
Pooja & religious activities		43,631	43,631	43,553
Food for congregation		42,586	42,586	41,756
Support costs		178,120	178,120	136,808
Staff costs	6	198,291	198,291	211,521
Governance costs	5	173,634	173,634	185,528
		<u>636,262</u>	<u>636,262</u>	<u>619,166</u>

5 Analysis of governance and support costs

Support costs allocated to charitable activities

	Governance costs	Support costs	Total	Total
	£	£	2021	2020
			£	£
Legal & Professional Fees	-	-	-	3,617
Rent, rates & insurance	-	21,979	21,979	23,770
Utilities	-	59,289	59,289	19,533
Repair and maintenance	-	26,782	26,782	8,381
Telephone and fax	-	2,395	2,395	1,707
Computer software and maintenance costs	-	2,057	2,057	1,294
Printing, postages & stationery	-	2,235	2,235	3,493
Cleaning	-	-	-	4,173
Travel & Subsistence	-	810	810	748
Advertising & event expenses	-	3,197	3,197	6,524
Bank Charges	-	3,645	3,645	3,800
Accountancy fees	-	-	-	100
Bank Loan Interest	-	55,731	55,731	63,385
Audit fees	3,500	-	3,500	3,500
Depreciation	170,134	-	170,134	178,311
	<u>173,634</u>	<u>178,120</u>	<u>351,754</u>	<u>322,336</u>

6 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

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	2021 £	2020 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	186,468	189,008
Social security costs	8,404	21,243
Pension costs	3,419	1,270
	<u>198,291</u>	<u>211,521</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2021 No	2020 No
Charitable support staff	11	10
Administration staff	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>13</u>	<u>12</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2021	<u>7,193,949</u>	<u>621,442</u>	<u>7,815,391</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>7,193,949</u>	<u>621,442</u>	<u>7,815,391</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2021	893,376	327,289	1,220,665
Charge for the year	<u>126,011</u>	<u>44,123</u>	<u>170,134</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,019,387</u>	<u>371,412</u>	<u>1,390,799</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2021	<u>6,174,562</u>	<u>250,030</u>	<u>6,424,592</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>6,300,573</u>	<u>294,153</u>	<u>6,594,726</u>

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Included within the carrying value of land and buildings above is £6,174,562 (2020 - £6,300,573) in respect of freehold land and buildings.

Details of Freehold Properties

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 PB
3. 241 High Street North, London E12 6SJ

The properties at 168 Browning Road & 272 High Street North have been valued by Mr Stuart Jefcoate (MRICS) of B Bailey & Co Ltd on 28th Sept 2020. The properties have been valued by using the comparative method of valuation. As the two properties are normal properties, the recent sale prices of similar properties nearby have been compared and adjusted to reflect the particular circumstances of the above properties. The above properties have been valued at £525,000 and £1,030,000 respectively by the valuers and is reflected in the accounts to reflect their fair value.

Regarding 241 High Street north, the property have been valued by Hannah Munn BSC(Hons) (MRICS) of Copping Joyce Surveyors Ltd on 12th Oct 2020, the valuation of the building is £3,175,000. As this property is the main worshipping temple for the devotees, the property is considered a unique property as very few buildings of this type exist in this area and those that do will be rarely sold. The Trustees feel that the value of the property is enhanced with bespoke construction costs. Hence a different approach to valuation (from the normal market approach using comparable evidence) needed applying, the most usual method of valuation when dealing with this type of property is to apply the Depreciated Replacement Cost (DRC) and as per this method of valuation, this property has been valued at £5.5m. This property is hence valued at cost only.

The Trustees are of the opinion that the carrying value of fixed assets as per the accounts are fairly stated.

8 Stock

	2021 £	2020 £
Stocks	<u>1,147</u>	<u>1,147</u>

9 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	35,597	15,362
Prepayments	9,116	10,026
VAT recoverable	<u>5,331</u>	<u>4,551</u>
	<u>50,044</u>	<u>29,939</u>

Trade debtors balance of £35,597 (2020: £15,362) relates to Gift aid claims for the year .

10 Current asset investments

	2021 £	2020 £
Gold	<u>51,467</u>	<u>42,317</u>

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All Current assets investments were held in the UK.

The investment includes donations received from devotees by way of precious metals and jewellery.

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash on hand	702	702
Cash at bank	226,833	172,812
	<u>227,535</u>	<u>173,514</u>

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Bank loans	115,276	117,863
Other taxation and social security	4,512	3,954
Other creditors	2,937	5,126
Accruals	6,599	3,551
	<u>129,324</u>	<u>130,494</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Bank loans	<u>1,767,835</u>	<u>2,090,404</u>

Bank loans payable after more than one year has been secured by a charge over the charity on the following properties:

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 6PB
3. 241 High Street North, East Ham, London E12 6SJ

The properties were valued by independent valuers on 29th September and 12th October 2020, all the above properties are valued in the region of £4.73m

14 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £	Balance at 31 December 2019 £
Unrestricted					
General	<u>7,231,778</u>	<u>873,143</u>	<u>(636,262)</u>	<u>7,468,659</u>	<u>7,231,778</u>

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15 Analysis of net assets between funds

		Unrestricted	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	General £	2020 £	2019 £
Tangible fixed assets	7	6,424,592	6,424,592	6,594,726
Current assets		330,193	330,193	246,917
Current liabilities	12	(129,324)	(129,324)	(130,494)
Creditors over 1 year	13	<u>(1,767,835)</u>	<u>(1,767,835)</u>	<u>(2,090,404)</u>
Total net assets		<u>4,857,626</u>	<u>4,857,626</u>	<u>4,620,745</u>

Accounts

Charity registration number: 292677

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Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees

Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman
Mr S Thayalasamy , Vice President
Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer
Mr K Sivarupan , General Secretary
Mr Sethuraman S , Asst Secretary
Mr Krishnan Sreenivasan ,Vice Chairman
Mr S Subburam , Vice Chairman
Mr Navaneethakrishnan Raju , Asst Treasurer
Mr S Seetharaman , Public Relations Officer
Mr R Mohanaprakas , Temple Office Manager
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Reference and Administrative Details

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Chartered Certified Accountants & Statutory auditors
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Lakshmi Narayana Trust

Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's Trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective from 1 January 2015).

Objectives and activities

The trustees hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the religious and charitable purposes for the benefit of the community at large. The objects of the trust are as follows

Religious Service

- To advance Hindu religion particularly by promoting religious and cultural activities
- To establish, secure or build a temple of Sri Mahalakshmi and Sri Narayana, strictly conforming to Hindu temple architecture (hereinafter called 'The Temple') and maintain and manage the same (whether alone or in co-operation with any local authority or other person or body) in furtherance of these objects.

Health Service

Organising sickness relive programmes particularly by provision of periodical health screening services for the people over the age of 40, in order to detect disease at an early stage especially against heart attack, high blood pressure and diabetes mellitus.

Cultural and Educational Service

- To build a cultural and educational centre
- To provide a library with usual and educational books and magazines
- To provide education and other necessary assistance to people with language problems due to lack of English knowledge.
- To provide voluntary help to the elderly and handicapped people.
- Teaching of Indian classical dance (Bharatha Nattiyam), vocal classes and instrumental music classes

The policy of the trust continues to be to seek, support and provide for the aims as stated.

Developments, activities and achievements

In line with the charity's objectives, Lakshmi Narayan Trust continues to provide a centre for the community to gather for worship. Languages and music lessons have continued throughout the year. The number of devotees visiting temple has steadily increased. Planning permission has been granted to build a spacious centre for the purpose of religious services and promotion of cultural, educational services for children, teaching music, bharat-nattiyam, Hinduism, conducting yoga and meditation classes, "Bhagavath Geetha" classes, health promotion services for screening and prevention of coronary heart disease, diabetes, hypertension and annadhanam services to students and devotees (daily provision of free lunch and dinner).

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Trustees' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Financial Review

The charitable donation during the year has decreased by £510,726, a decrease of 44.13% when compared to 2019. This was mainly due to decrease in donation income from devotees because of Covid-19. However with HMRC Furlough Scheme, charity received grant of £40,328/- which helped the trust to support its level of charitable activities. Overall the level of income during the year has been decreased by £470,398, a decrease of 40.65% as compared to 2019. The trust has a healthy bank balance of £172,812 as at 31/12/2020 and therefore the trustees believe that the available funds are sufficient to permit the trust to continue its operation which will improve its cash position further in the future.

The charity continues to prosper through donations and support from the community. One of the objectives of the charity to build a new temple was achieved during the year. The trustees feel that with the support they get from their communities, both locally and internationally, is benefiting to carry out all of its charitable activities. The charity is in a strong financial position at the year end from which it is able to meet all foreseeable charitable obligations.

Going Concern & Impact of COVID-19

Since the start of January 2020, the coronavirus outbreak, which is a rapidly evolving situation, has adversely impacted global commercial activities. The rapid development and fluidity of this situation precludes any prediction as to its ultimate impact, which may have a continued adverse impact on economic and market conditions and trigger a period of global economic slowdown.

The financial impact of the pandemic on the valuation of tangible fixed assets, financial assets and financial liabilities as at the balance sheet date has been reflected in the financial statements.

The trustees are monitoring developments relating to coronavirus regularly and are coordinating its operational response based on existing business continuity plans, in addition to guidance from global health organisations, the government and general pandemic response best practices.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The charity holds reasonable cash reserves to shelter against the impact of the current coronavirus pandemic. In addition, announcements by government of various initiatives to support businesses to address short-term income shortfalls should enable the charity to continue operationally. Thus, the going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The board of Trustees considers that there are sufficient reserves held at the year-end to manage any foreseeable downturn. The Trustees consider that there is a reasonable expectation that Lakshmi Narayan Trust (LNT) has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and, for this reason, the board of Trustees continues to adopt the 'going concern' basis in preparing the accounts.

Reserves policy & risk analysis

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The committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the charity. The reserve policy is to hold adequate level of funds to enable the trust to carry out its operations, to meet the financial obligations and to meets its charitable obligations. The attached financial statements show the current state of affairs of the finances, which the committee believes are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the committee is confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

The committee has conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. A risk register has been established and is updated at least annually. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the centre. These procedures are continually reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Social investment policies

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

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Structure, governance and management

The charity's objects and regulations are regulated by the constitution dated 23 August 1985. The charity has a management committee which consists of 16 trustees. The trustees who have served during the year are named on page 1. Out of the 16 trustees, 3 trustees are appointed as custodians of the charity valuable stocks. Any changes in the appointment and retirement of trustees will be discussed in a committee meeting and the final decision will be depending upon majority vote under the trust constitution. All the trustees have to be UK citizen or permanent residents of UK Indian origin. The 3 custodian trustees during the year were:

- Dr Radhakrishnan V, President
- Mr S. Vijayakumar, Treasurer and
- Mr K. Sivarupan, General Secretary

Meetings of the trustees are held every three months at which they agrees the board strategy and areas of activity for the trust, including the consideration of grant making, reserves and risk management policies and performance. A scheme of delegation is in place for the day to day administration of the trust. The service manager is responsible for the day to day operational management of the centre, individual supervision of the staff team and also ensuring that the team continue to develop their skills and working practices in line with good practice. The president is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and also overseeing the work services, finance and administration staff.

New trustees are considered for appointment after open selection and recommendation throughout the community and taking into account the skill requirements of the trustee body. Due to the vast nature of charitable activities, the committee seeks to ensure that the needs of all groups are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. In order to enhance the potential pool of trustees, the charity has, through selective advertising on the charity's newsletter, notice board, activities etc. sought to identify the appropriately skilled individuals who would be willing to become members of the committee and use their own skills and experiences to assist the charity.

Once appointed, new trustees are invited and encouraged to attend a series of short training sessions (of no more than an hour) to familiarise themselves with the charity and context within which it appears. These are jointly led by the chairman and the president of the committee and cover:

- The obligation of committee members
- The main documents which set out the operational frameworks for the charity
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest accounts
- Future plans and objectives.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 27 October 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020***

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 27 October 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lakshmi Narayana Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2020, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising Charities SORP - FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and applicable law (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the original financial statements were authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

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We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities (set out on page 7), the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

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In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following

- the nature of the charity and sector, control environment and charity's performance
- results of our enquiries of trustees' and the charity's management's own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
- identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance
- detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud
- the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations
- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

We remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit. As required by auditing standards and taking into account possible pressures to achieve targets, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls and the risk of making inappropriate accounting entries.

We also performed procedures including identifying journal entries and other adjustments to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documents. These included those posted to unusual accounts.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the trustees those matters we are required to state to trustees in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Lakshmi Narayana Trust ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020***

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Mr M Poonawala (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Tahas & Co Ltd, Statutory Auditor

Suite 3, Second Floor
760 Eastern Avenue
Newbury Park
London
IG2 7HU

27 October 2021

Tahas & Co Ltd is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	Note	Unrestricted £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	646,371	646,371	1,157,097
Other income		<u>40,328</u>	<u>40,328</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Income		<u>686,699</u>	<u>686,699</u>	<u>1,157,097</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	4	<u>(619,166)</u>	<u>(619,166)</u>	<u>(775,495)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(619,166)</u>	<u>(619,166)</u>	<u>(775,495)</u>
Net movement in funds		67,533	67,533	381,602
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>7,164,245</u>	<u>7,164,245</u>	<u>6,782,643</u>
Total funds carried forward	14	<u><u>7,231,778</u></u>	<u><u>7,231,778</u></u>	<u><u>7,164,245</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

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(Registration number: 292677)

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	7	6,594,726	6,531,516
Current assets			
Stocks	8	1,147	1,248
Debtors	9	29,939	113,814
Investments	10	42,317	52,988
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>173,514</u>	<u>153,874</u>
		246,917	321,924
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(130,494)</u>	<u>(137,332)</u>
Net current assets		<u>116,423</u>	<u>184,592</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		6,711,149	6,716,108
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	13	<u>(2,090,404)</u>	<u>(2,269,778)</u>
Net assets	15	<u><u>4,620,745</u></u>	<u><u>4,446,330</u></u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted	14	7,231,778	7,164,245
Unrestricted revaluation reserve		<u>(2,611,033)</u>	<u>(2,717,915)</u>
Total unrestricted		<u>4,620,745</u>	<u>4,446,330</u>
Total funds	15	<u><u>4,620,745</u></u>	<u><u>4,446,330</u></u>

The financial statements on pages 12 to 22 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 27 October 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

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Dr Radhakrishnan V , President
Trustee

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Mr A Rengamannar , Chairman
Trustee

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Mr S Vijayakumar , Treasurer
Trustee

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Mr K Sivarupan , General Secretary
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Lakshmi Narayana Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. There are no any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future, based on latest strategic plans and financial budget. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

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Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £250,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold Interest in Land & Building	@ 2% reducing balance method
Fixtures, Fittings and equipment	@ 15% reducing balance method

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value / market value.

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO).

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from HMRC for gift aid donations submitted during the year.

They are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. No impairment provision was needed during the year as the receivables were received after the yearend.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

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Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Donations and legacies;			
General Donation and congregational activities	597,485	597,485	1,092,513
Gift aid reclaimed	48,886	48,886	64,584
	<u>646,371</u>	<u>646,371</u>	<u>1,157,097</u>

3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
HMRC JRS Grant	40,328	40,328	-

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

		Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Note	General	2020	2019
		£	£	£
Pooja & religious activities		43,553	43,553	102,006
Food for congregation		41,756	41,756	77,105
Support costs		136,808	136,808	164,634
Staff costs	6	211,521	211,521	245,051
Governance costs	5	185,528	185,528	186,699
		<u>619,166</u>	<u>619,166</u>	<u>775,495</u>

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5 Analysis of governance and support costs

Support costs allocated to charitable activities

	Governance costs £	Support costs £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Legal & Professional Fees	3,617	-	3,617	-
Rent, rates & insurance	-	23,770	23,770	22,370
Utilities	-	19,533	19,533	22,817
Repair and maintenance	-	8,381	8,381	8,620
Telephone and fax	-	1,707	1,707	2,468
Computer software and maintenance costs	-	1,294	1,294	1,360
Printing, postages & stationery	-	3,493	3,493	6,742
Cleaning	-	4,173	4,173	4,992
Travel & Subsistence	-	748	748	3,073
Advertising & event expenses	-	6,524	6,524	3,125
Bank Charges	-	3,800	3,800	4,024
Accountancy fees	100	-	100	-
Bank Loan Interest	-	63,385	63,385	85,043
Audit fees	3,500	-	3,500	3,500
Depreciation	178,311	-	178,311	183,199
	<u>185,528</u>	<u>136,808</u>	<u>322,336</u>	<u>351,333</u>

6 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	189,008	230,328
Social security costs	21,243	11,689
Pension costs	1,270	3,034
	<u>211,521</u>	<u>245,051</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

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7 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2020	7,087,067	486,803	7,573,870
Revaluations	106,882	-	106,882
Additions	-	134,639	134,639
At 31 December 2020	<u>7,193,949</u>	<u>621,442</u>	<u>7,815,391</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2020	766,974	275,380	1,042,354
Charge for the year	<u>126,402</u>	<u>51,909</u>	<u>178,311</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>893,376</u>	<u>327,289</u>	<u>1,220,665</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2020	<u>6,300,573</u>	<u>294,153</u>	<u>6,594,726</u>
At 31 December 2019	<u>6,320,093</u>	<u>211,423</u>	<u>6,531,516</u>

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Included within the carrying value of land and buildings above is £6,300,573 (2019 - £6,320,093) in respect of freehold land and buildings.

Details of Freehold Properties

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 PB
3. 241 High Street North, London E12 6SJ

The properties at 168 Browning Road & 272 High Street North have been valued by Mr Stuart Jefcoate (MRICS) of B Bailey & Co Ltd on 28th Sept 2020. The properties have been valued by using the comparative method of valuation. As the two properties are normal properties, the recent sale prices of similar properties nearby have been compared and adjusted to reflect the particular circumstances of the above properties. The above properties have been valued at £525,000 and £1,030,000 respectively by the valuers and is reflected in the accounts to reflect their fair value.

Regarding 241 High Street north, the property have been valued by Hannah Munn BSC(Hons) (MRICS) of Copping Joyce Surveyors Ltd on 12th Oct 2020, the valuation of the building is £3,175,000. As this property is the main worshipping temple for the devotees, the property is considered a unique property as very few buildings of this type exist in this area and those that do will be rarely sold. The Trustees feel that the value of the property is enhanced with bespoke construction costs. Hence a different approach to valuation (from the normal market approach using comparable evidence) needed applying, the most usual method of valuation when dealing with this type of property is to apply the Depreciated Replacement Cost (DRC) and as per this method of valuation, this property has been valued at £5.5m. This property is hence valued at cost only.

The Trustees are of the opinion that the carrying value of fixed assets as per the accounts are fairly stated.

8 Stock

	2020 £	2019 £
Stocks	1,147	1,248

9 Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Trade debtors	15,362	-
Prepayments	10,026	10,007
VAT recoverable	4,551	4,578
Other debtors	-	99,229
	29,939	113,814

Trade debtors balance of £15,362 (2019: Nil) relates to Gift aid claims for the year . The other debtors balance of £99,229 for last year included advance paid for making Golden Chariot which was delivered during this year.

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10 Current asset investments

	2020 £	2019 £
Gold	42,317	52,988
All Current assets investments were held in the UK.		

The investment includes donations received from devotees by way of precious metals and jewellery.

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	2020 £	2019 £
Cash on hand	702	699
Cash at bank	172,812	153,175
	173,514	153,874

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Bank loans	117,863	102,526
Other taxation and social security	3,954	3,125
Other creditors	5,126	17,954
Accruals	3,551	13,727
	130,494	137,332

13 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Bank loans	2,090,404	2,269,778

Bank loans payable after more than one year has been secured by a charge over the charity on the following properties:

1. 272 High Street, London E12 6SA
2. 168 Browning Road, London E12 6PB
3. 241 High Street North, East Ham, London E12 6SJ

The properties were valued by independent valuers on 29th September and 12th October 2020, all the above properties are valued in the region of £4.73m

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14 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £	Balance at 31 December 2019 £
Unrestricted					
General	<u>7,164,245</u>	<u>686,699</u>	<u>(619,166)</u>	<u>7,231,778</u>	<u>7,164,245</u>

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

		Unrestricted	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
	Notes	General £		
Tangible fixed assets	7	6,594,726	6,594,726	6,531,516
Current assets		246,917	246,917	321,924
Current liabilities	12	(130,494)	(130,494)	(137,332)
Creditors over 1 year	13	<u>(2,090,404)</u>	<u>(2,090,404)</u>	<u>(2,269,778)</u>
Total net assets		<u>4,620,745</u>	<u>4,620,745</u>	<u>4,446,330</u>

16 Related party transactions

During the year there were no related party transactions.