

Triratna Trust

Trustees' Report 2022 by Vajrapriya (Simon Moss), Chair

The Trust's exclusive activity during 2022 continued to be the funding the activities of the *International Order Office* of the Triratna Buddhist Order, whose role is to support the Order internationally. At the end of 2021 there were just over 2500 members, who in turn are responsible for the public centres and the many different worldwide activities of the Triratna Buddhist Community.

During 2022 our work included:

1. Supporting the International Order Convenors (IOCs) including with NI contributions and pension contributions. The IOCs work involves maintaining contact with the Order areas internationally and facilitating communication through chapters, order weekends, conventions etc.
2. The International Order Office team continued, as in previous years, to provide a number of very important services to the Triratna Buddhist Order worldwide including publication and distribution of Shabda, the Order information service, maintaining the Order register and Order website, and supporting the development of the network of Order convenors worldwide.
3. There was a series of large conventions in different areas of the world, which were attended by the IOCs. We helped to organise the UK & Ireland Convention at Wymondham in August, which was attended by 469 people, which was a gratifying number given the uncertainties around Covid.
4. We have continued to hold online weekly meditation sessions for order members which remain well attended and there is much appreciation expressed for them.
5. We continue the partnership between the Trust and Dharmachakra as our database and communications provider.

Internally, 2022 continued a theme of change for the Trust and International Order Office. It saw the handover from Lokeshvara to Saraha as IOC, and of the Assistant role from Vimalamati to Utpaladhi. Unfortunately, towards the end of the year, it became clear that Saraha needed to step down as IOC to attend to caring responsibilities, leaving the position vacant awaiting recruitment.

On behalf of the Trustees, I would like to thank the following: Lokeshvara for his 8 years of dedicated and often delicate work as IOC, and handing over to Saraha.

Saraha for being willing to undertake the IOC role, and stepping into it all-too-briefly.

Vimalamati for her devoted work as Assistant over the years, and providing continuity at a difficult time of transition.

Shantavira, Shabda Compiler.

Lokabandhu, Finance manager.

Dassini, Order information, database and website.

Amaradaya, Administrator of the Trust and Order Office Support.

Lilasuri, Project Manager of the UK & Ireland Convention (temporary role)

Aryajaya and Saraha, International Order Convenors, and

Subhadassi, Ethics Order Convenor.

I am very pleased to see the new team in place and supporting the worldwide Order to such great effect

Vajrapriya (Simon Moss), Chair, 15 June 2023

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Financial Activities

January - December 2022

	TOTAL		
	JAN - DEC 2022	JAN - DEC 2021 (PY)	CHANGE
Income			
Bank Interest	448	132	315
Convention income	111,166	0	111,166
Gift Aid	8,957	10,166	-1,208
ID Cards	15	5	10
Kesa Replacements	383	159	225
Miscellaneous Income	1,966	0	1,966
Order dana - current year	134,960	126,509	8,451
Order Dana -prev.years	468	176	292
Robes income	4,327	-991	5,318
Shabda - Adverts	160	360	-200
Shabda - Postage IN	143	194	-51
Total Income	£262,992	£136,710	£126,283
TOTAL	£262,992	£136,710	£126,283
Expenditures			
Convention Expenses	99,196	2,695	96,501
Depreciation Expense	5,867	1,811	4,056
Office Expenses			
Computer	19	1,194	-1,175
Postage OUT	21	12	10
Software	771		771
Stationery	307	10	298
Total Office Expenses	1,119	1,215	-97
Order Convenors	63,793	51,701	12,091
Other Expenses			
Direct debit charges	227	1,336	-1,110
Donation to Indian OO	1,225		1,225
Employer pension contributions		2,636	-2,636
Independent Examiner	300	300	0
Insurance	577	508	70
Kesa Production	1,199	1,488	-289
Meetings at Adhithana	1,000		1,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,376	39	1,336
NI shortfall	796	780	16
Online banking charges	1,905	436	1,469
Refreshments		7	-7
Relocation and re-training	2,600		2,600
Robes postage OUT	117	1,295	-1,179
The Buddhist Centre	15,000	15,000	0
Training	1,260		1,260
Trustees Expenses	1,219	226	992
Total Other Expenses	28,799	24,052	4,747
Shabda	11,369	10,758	611

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	TOTAL		
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Support Staff	51,005	40,871	10,134
Tax and NI paid	2,618		2,618
Total Expenditures	£263,765	£133,104	£130,661
NET OPERATING INCOME	£ -772	£3,606	£ -4,378
Other Expenditures	£0	£0	£0
NET OTHER INCOME	£ -0	£0	£ -0
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£ -772	£3,606	£ -4,378

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRIRATNA TRUST.

I report on the accounts of the charity the Triratna Trust for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts: you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2)e of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply; it is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the charity Commissioners under section 43(7) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

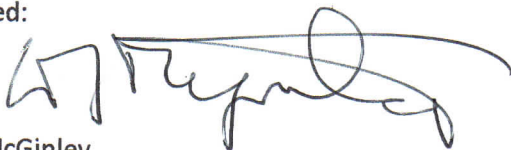
BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with records. It includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion given by the accounts.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER' STATEMENT

All records that were asked for were provided to me in my examination, and no matters came to light that suggested true and accurate records were not being kept.

Signed:



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16th May2023