

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
		Period start date			Period end date		
From	01	Jan	2023	To	31	Dec	2023

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	RAMGARHIA GURDWARA SOCIETY HITCHIN		
Other names charity is known by			
Registered charity number (if any)	800880		
Charity's principal address	1 Lancaster Avenue		
	Hitchin		
	Herts		
	Postcode	SG51PA	

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Gulzar Sahota	Chair/President	Whole Year	Ramgarhia Council as per constitution
2	Bulbinder Panesar	Treasurer	Whole Year	Ramgarhia Council as per constitution
3	Kulwinder Bhogal	Co Treasurer	Whole Year	Ramgarhia Council as per constitution
4	Gurbachan Ghataoura	Trustee	Whole Year	Ramgarhia Council as per constitution
5	Santokh Hunjan	Trustee	Whole Year	Ramgarhia Council as per constitution
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**Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)**

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution of the Ramgarhia Gurdwara Society
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	As per constitution of the Ramgarhia Gurdwara Society
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustee is appointed by the Ramgarhia Council. Based upon the member having promoted the religious teaching in and furthered the cause of the Ramgarhia community in the area.

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

The object of the Ramgarhia Gurdwara Society shall be the advancement of the Ramgarhia denomination of the Sikh religion in Hitchin, Letchworth, Stevenage, Luton and surrounding areas.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

- 1] To advance the teachings of Sikhism
- 2] To provide & maintain a Gurdwara building to fulfil its objects
- 3] To assist in the arrangements for the Anand Karaj (wedding) and funeral arrangements in line with the teachings of Sikhism
- 4] To do all such other lawful things that shall further the objects of the charity
- 5] To promote understanding and cohesion amongst the wider community on the basis of equality and respect for all.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

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### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

As mentioned in Section C, these activities are continuous and the local Sikh community benefit from the teaching and activities that the Ramgarhia Gurdwara Society undertakes on an annual basis.

Many Sangrands and Gurpurbs have taken place at the Gurdwara benefitting both the general public and the Sikh community. With audience from Sikh lectures and religious discourses. Kirtan by Ragi's and learned scholars supplement the offerings provided by the Gurdwara to the community.

We have regular visits from local schools from Hitchin and surrounding areas to make both primary and secondary school children aware of the principles of Sikhism and functionality of the local Gurdwara in the community.

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

All income from donations less expenses incurred must be banked in accordance with the constitution. These reserves are to be used for the future benefit of the Ramgarhia Gurdwara Society in line with its objects.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

During the year ended 31 Dec 23,

Principal source of funds continued to be from donations made the sagnat,

Expenditure incurred enabled the premises to be used for the fullest extent to achieve the objectives of the Gurdwara.

A cash flow surplus of £29,189 was generated for the year ended 31 December 2023 with cash at bank of £462,400 at 31 December 2023.

## Section F Other optional information

## Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	G S Sahota	
Full name(s)	Gulzar Singh Sahota	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair/President	
Date	7th October 2024	



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Ramgarhia Gurdwara Society Hitchin- 800880

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01-Jan-23	To	Period end date 31-Dec-23
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Income: Guru Granth Sahib	21,705	-	-	21,705	19,165
HMRC - Gift Aid	13,850	-	-	13,850	-
Deposit account interest	6,686	-	-	6,686	761
Sundry	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>42,242</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,242</b>	<b>19,926</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>42,242</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,242</b>	<b>19,926</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Day to Day - Provisions	1,519	-	-	1,519	445
Freelance Professionals	-	-	-	-	550
Rates & water	113	-	-	113	107
Insurance	1,455	-	-	1,455	1,406
Repairs and renewals	557	-	-	557	5,028
Light & heat	7,827	-	-	7,827	3,758
Telephone	583	-	-	583	578
Donations	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	286
Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	350
Admin	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>13,053</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,053</b>	<b>13,508</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>13,053</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,053</b>	<b>13,508</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>29,189</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,189</b>	<b>6,418</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>29,189</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,189</b>	<b>6,418</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank Accounts	462,400	-	-
			-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>462,400</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Freehold Property		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Gulzar Singh Sahota	27/10/2023	



Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Ramgarhia Gurdwara Society Hitchin -800880

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 set out on pages one to two.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Ravinder Singh Bhamra  
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10 September 2024