CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.12.2024 To 30.11.2025

Charity name: London Buddhist Vihara Trust

Charity registration number: 1192854

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The advancement of the Buddhist religion for the public benefit in such ways as the trustees may from time to time decide.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	In furtherance of the above object but not otherwise, the trustees shall carry out proper and effectual administration and management of the London Buddhist Vihara which is conducting various programs for the benefit of the public and working with other charities.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The charity has conducted programs, lectures and classes on Buddhism, meditation, mindfulness etc. that benefited many people. Some beneficiaries are regular attendees and the others follow the programs conducted online. There is also a Sunday School for children. It is a Place of Worship where people also benefit from discussing their issues with the monks and among themselves. It also facilitates visits from schools in connection with the curriculum. LBV is a founder member of the Interfaith Network of UK actively participating in events for the benefit of the society we live in.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity managed to meet the expenses comfortably and carry forward a surplus.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	As the charity is dependent on donations, it is important to hold some reserves to ensure that it can continue to meet the expenses at difficult times.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£40,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No such uncertainty. However, the charity has been seriously affected since April 2025 due to the involvement of two monks with a person supported by ADT. This has been reported to the Charity Commission and updated on regular basis. Presently, the trustees are locked out from the building that is housing the charity and have been removed from the mandate of the charity account at Bank of Ceylon (BoC) which had a substantial amount of savings and is continuing to receive monthly donations. Presently, the trustees do not have access to that account as the Head Monk (VS) who is not a trustee but kept by the Trust as an additional signatory to cover emergencies, has become the Sole Signatory. This unlawful act was reported to the FCA for investigation. Trustees managed to safeguard the other charity account at NatWest with the support of the bank. However, the card machine at LBV that the supporters used to donate directly into the NatWest account has been removed unlawfully to make people use donation boxes which can be accessed by VS. The trustees have started legal proceedings to obtain an injunction to regain entry to the charity building after failed mediation attempts. The Commission has been kept informed. We have not included the fund details of the charity account at Bank of Ceylon in the Annual Return for the year 2024 – 2025 as the trustees have no access to the account as described above. We expect to update the details when the present situation is resolved. The trustees have the confidence of the supporters who are waiting for the trustees to restore order and ensure that the charity continues without further disruption.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Donations by supporters and fund raising events. Funds collected in donation boxes, and events are presently being handled by VS with no access or accounts given to the trustees who are locked out at present. Despite this situation, the trustees have continued to pay the utility bills, insurance etc. and meet the costs of building maintenance and safety inspections as usual. The trustees had to use some funds from the reserve account at NatWest.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		The London Buddhist Vihara Trust was created to manage the London Buddhist Vihara which is a Place of Worship that conducts programs for the benefit of the public.
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are selected based on merit and their commitment to act in the best interest of the LBV without any conflict of interest. They must be UK citizens. The LBV Trust has the sole authority to appoint new trustees, reappoint existing trustees and to remove them.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	London Buddhist Vihara Trust
Other name the charity uses	LBV and/or LBV Trust
Registered charity number	1192854
Charity's principal address	The Avenue Chiswick London W4 1UD

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	Mr Gamini Amarasekera	Chair		LBV Trust
2	Dr Lakdasa Hemachandra Panagoda	Contact		LBV Trust
3	Mr Harsha Siriwardane			LBV Trust
4	Mrs Mahal Katherine Ratnasiri			LBV Trust
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Exemptions from disclosure

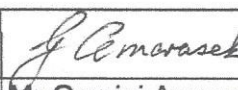
Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Dr Lakdasa Panagoda	Mr Gamini Amarasekera
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	*Contact*	*Chair*

Date	10.09.2026

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Charity Name	No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01.12.2024		30.11.2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	78,136	-	-	78,136	119,662
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	78,136	-	-	78,136	119,662
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	108,524	-	-	108,524	104,203
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	108,524	-	-	108,524	104,203
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 30,388	-	-	- 30,388	15,459
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 30,388	-	-	- 30,388	15,459

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 £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	103,193	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name: London Buddhist Vihara Trust

On accounts for the year ended 30.11.2025

Charity no (if any) 119284

Set out on pages 1

(Remember to include the page numbers for additional sheets)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/11/2025.
As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: [signature] **Date:** 27/09/2026

Name: ABID DAR

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