

# Sanatan Hindu Cultural Society, Sutton

Annual e-Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> March 2021

### The Journey So Far...

- Jan 2020
  - The idea of a Sanatan Hindu organisation in Sutton was formed
  - 14 devotees came forward and collectively donated £1400
  - A committee of 12 people was formed, in order to move forward the SHCS initiative swiftly.
- Feb 2020:
  - SHCS Committee conducted Office Bearer's election
  - Charity Application (in progress)
  - Setup online presence: Facebook, Youtube, Website, What's App

## Key Events

Hosted our first Sunderkand Path in March 2020

Online events during the lockdown period:

- Daily Bhajan Sandhya and Satsang
- Regular Sunday Bhajan Sandhya and
- Bhagwat Gita chapter reading
- and Kid's story telling
- Food distribution to NHS, local homeless charity and Sutton Police
- E-Celebration of various Hindu festivals: Mahashivratri, Hanuman Jayanti, Ram Navmi, etc.

### SHCS Original Committee Members<sup>^</sup>

- Atul Narang
- Deepak Rajurkar
- Manish Bhalla
- Niraj Singh

- Rahul Patil
- Ram Nandula
- Sanjeev Bansal
- Srinivas Burri

- Subbareddy Muppidi
- Vineet Bhati
- Vivek Sharma
- Narendra Admane
- Next Steps: SHC Committee to be expanded/ revamped soon
- Few individuals have stepped down due to other commitments / conflict of interest
- Register your interest to join the SHCS committee, Email info@sanatan-hcs.org

### Office Bearers

As per the Charity Commission's guidelines, the SHCS Committee conducted a formal secret ballet election to appoint the following office bearers:

- Vivek Sharma
- SubbaReddy Mupidi
- Sanjeev Bansal
- Rahul Patil



### SHCS Vision & Mission

**Vision:** To promote the principles and common understandings of the 'Sanatan Hindu Dharma' among the members and society.

#### Mission:

- To provide a common platform for the people of Hindu beliefs in the Sutton and neighbouring areas for performing prayer, worship and cultural & religious functions.
- To provide guidance/ facilities for religious functions and performing of all religious rights connected with births, marriages and deaths.
- To create awareness about Global Warming and encouraging people to achieve goals set by UK government to achieve Zero net carbon emission.
- Help newly arriving Hindus in the area to integrate with the wider British society.

## SHCS Objectives

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- To facilitate discussions on concepts of Hinduism as per various schools of Hindu philosophy and the prime values of the Hindu way of life.
- To organise Yoga, Sports and Meditation workshops for physical and mental wellbeing.
- To organise charitable events for fund raising towards natural calamities around the world and support local charities of the similar cause.
- To create Environmental awareness and effects of the Global Warming of by holding info workshops and seminars.

### **Accounts and Donations**

- Current Position: £5,426.38 generated through donations
- Key Expenses:
  - Zoom Subscription
  - Sundarkand Expenses
  - Food distribution (through additional fund raised)
    - St. Helier Hospital, Covid Ward
    - Sutton Night Watch Homeless Charity
    - Sutton Police
- Account details are available to see at the end of Meeting

## Membership

- Social Member And Volunteers
  - Be part of all SHCS initiative
  - Lead/ Manage SHCS events and initiatives
- Paid Members: Annual minimum membership fees: £100
  - Additional benefits:
  - Eligible for future committee formation
  - Eligible for voting on all important matters
- Current SHCS Members: www.sanatan-hcs.org/membership.html

### The Road Ahead/ Future Plan

- Reserved a facility for Satsang events (Post COVID restrictions)
  - Tentative Plan:
  - Satsang events to be held every Sunday (5pm 9pm)
  - Indoor Kids/adult games followed by Bhajan Sandhya
  - Potluck dinner
- Increase members and participants
- Celebrations of Hindu festivals
- Conducting health and well being activities
- Supporting local charities and institutions

## Suggestions / Improvements

- We are at an early stage of this journey
- We need your continued support and encouragement
- We have lot to learn together!
- We need your help in the following areas:
  - Improve communications (increase the frequency)
  - Ownership/implementation of suggestions
  - Improve our Social Media Presence

### Thank You

- Narendra ji for being the most active committee member
- Pandit Sudhee ji for leading poojas
- All children & parents for participating in Gayatri Mantra chanting and Vineet ji for leading it
- Vishal ji, Manav ji, Mamta ji, Ritesh ji, and Tapasya ji for Gita and kid's story
- Anandanaji for leading Morning yoga sessions during the lockdown.
- Tarun ji and Hema ji for food delivery
- Ruchi Ji for the event hall booking at discounted price
- Jyoti ji for raising money by Christmas display at her home
- Rishi and Arjun for attending all sessions
- Entire Sutton and Neighbouring Hindu Community
- All SHCS Members, Volunteers and Participants
- All our family members

# Any Question?

