

## Annual Report 2017-18

Charushila (registered charity no 1163253) is an organisation working with youth and children in realizing creative projects within the community. It works internationally and in the UK. Charushila is a signatory to the UN Global compact and produces a report every two years.

Charushila has no employees or shareholders.

Three formal and other informal Trustee meetings have been held in the last financial year under the requirements of the Memorandum. The formal meetings in this financial period were on 17th January, 20th March and 18h July 2019.

Phase I of the 'Energy garden' project at Acton Central station that Charushila worked on with Arriva, Groundwork Trust and Energy Gardens, was formally inaugurated on 18th May 2018 by the MP for Ealing Central and Acton, Dr Rupa Huq. Further work in Phase II will involve water harvesting, solar power and gardening sessions in conjunction with Energy Gardens and station staff.

Charushila is also working with partners in Chile for a gardening project for elderly in Santiago.

Nicole and Sumita's article, 'Community empowerment in changing environments: creating value through food security', about our work in Venezuela and Palestine which was published in themed issue: <u>Sustaining natural resources in a changing</u> environment, Contemporary Social Science, Volume 13, Number 1, March 2018 will be published as part of a book by Routledge.

We continue to support and abide by the principles of UN Global Compact.

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