

CROYDON REFUGEE DAY CENTRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1064465

Details

Other names REFUGEE DAY CENTRE WEST CROYDON

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1997-09-18

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: To relieve and assist in the relief of refugees and asylum seekers and their dependants who are in need by the provision of facilities within a day centre and the provision of such goods, services and advice as may be thought fit.

Activities: Halls at West Croydon Baptist Church are available on Tuesday mornings for a 'drop in' service and for socialising on Wednesday mornings. Food, clothes, footwear, toiletries and household goods are distributed to local asylum seekers and refugees. A help desk is available to assist with administrative queries. Children of asylum seeker families are assisted in obtaining places in local schools.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** CROYDON
- Croydon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£158,282	£109,624	-	-
2024-03-31	£91,953	£46,987	-	-
2023-03-31	£42,286	£51,899	-	-
2022-03-31	£62,743	£39,184	-	-
2021-03-31	£29,252	£21,200	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
RODERICK IAN NEIL MACLEOD	Chair	2010-09-15
Bridgette Nettleford		2019-06-04
Ivanka Elizabeth Lennon		2022-03-18
Linda Margaret Fox		2023-10-16
Rev Densel Larbi		2022-11-28
Rosanna Miriam Edser		2022-03-18

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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

We are a small, primarily-volunteer based organisation, dedicated to supporting asylum seekers and recently-recognised refugees in Croydon. We believe in a UK where people escaping persecution and violence can find sanctuary, rebuild their lives and thrive.

Our mission is to work together with asylum seekers, refugees and other stakeholders to create a welcoming, responsive and cohesive community in Croydon, where people seeking sanctuary are respected as equals, can regain some control of their lives and build towards a future in the UK.

We have run five projects over the last year:

1. Essentials Centre: new & second hand clothing, coats and shoes, school uniform and essentials, household goods, toiletries, online access and food.
2. Family Support Programme: weekly outreach into asylum hotels, building trust with families and helping children access education and other opportunities; providing necessary uniforms and equipment; liaising with schools to support children's needs.
3. Welcome Project: weekly community hub promoting well-being and mental health through social activities, language classes, children's play, dance and art.
4. Signposting, Advice and Guidance Project: assists and supports with understanding and navigating UK systems and enabling asylum seekers and refugees to be represented and heard.
5. Refugee Homes Project: In partnership with The Spires Centre, supports newly-recognised refugees who are homeless or at risk of homelessness to find housing options.

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

Against a backdrop of an increasingly hostile external environment, and fear induced by far-right riots targeting asylum seekers elsewhere in the UK, Croydon Refugee Day Centre's volunteers have quietly continued our mission, supporting people seeking sanctuary in Croydon to feel more welcome, to rebuild their lives in the UK, and to contribute to our community.

Our 80-strong volunteer team – drawn from across refugee, migrant and British-born communities in Croydon - supported 1607 individuals altogether this year (987adults

and 620 children) – a 10% increase compared to the previous year. Individuals came from 73 different countries of origin and 49% of the adults we supported were women.

In 2024-25, we continued to grow our volunteer base and recruit new volunteers, including creating opportunities for people with lived experience of seeking sanctuary to volunteer and develop relevant skills and experience in the UK. All the volunteers seeking asylum who we surveyed reported that volunteering had helped them to develop new skills, increase their level of experience in the UK and feel more confident and/or positive. Volunteers with lived experience have been integral not only to service delivery, but also to shaping the charity's strategic direction, with a small group supporting the development of our long-term strategy alongside staff and volunteers. *My experience volunteering with the Croydon Refugee Day Centre has been incredibly rewarding. It has helped me build my confidence, improve my communication skills and develop a more positive outlook on life.'*

Our projects have also increased their reach this year. Our Essentials Centre assisted an average of 114 people seeking sanctuary each week – supporting their immediate, basic needs and thus mitigating slightly the stark economic inequalities they face. Overall, we estimate that we distributed £150,000 worth of essential items, including thousands of items of general second hand clothing, 970 pairs of shoes, 710 winter coats, 956 sets of new underwear, 1,237 hygiene packs, 589 food parcels, 371 food vouchers, 298 SIM cards (each offering six months of calls/data), and 72 laptops. Approximately 200 children also received school uniform and equipment. This was supported by the donations of 35+ community and faith groups across Croydon, as well as partnerships further afield. *'We got clothes, food, advice everything. Thank you so much for all the support and help. Words is not enough for this.'*

Our Welcome Project served 300 adults and approximately 50 children, with average weekly attendance of 25-30 people. It provided a safe space away from the challenging environment of asylum hostels, where attendees could build community, attend English classes, and participate in activities such as dance, art, table tennis, and play sessions for children. 100% Community members reported that the Welcome Project improved their confidence and wellbeing and 87% said it helped them understand life in the UK better.

We successfully piloted and evaluated a new Family Support Programme, securing funding to continue the programme until 2027. This supported 235 children, helping them to enter education as quickly as possible, feeling ready and able to learn in the UK. 93% of parents said that their children had entered into education a lot more quickly than they would have done without our support and 83% said that their children had entered school feeling happier or more confident because of our support. *"Without your help, we would never find a good school for my son and he was able to go to a school from the starting date without any delay. CRDC helped my son to get all the*

items he needed for school. CRDC has also helped my son for his music work and other activities. Now my son is happy because of these things. I take this opportunity to thank the team at Croydon Refugee Day Centre. I wish them all the best to continue and excel at what they do.”

Our Signposting, Advice & Guidance Project ensured that basic signposting and guidance was available through all our projects. 130 individuals also received help with more complex issues, such as refusal of accommodation by the Home Office or Council and consequent destitution. Our volunteer help desk team doubled in size, greatly improving our ability to offer drop-in support. *‘You have greatly helped me in filling out forms, providing internet and Sim services, and assisting us in contacting the council to secure immediate housing.’*

Our Refugee Homes partnership project with the Spires Centre successfully secured funding to continue, and assisted 120 recently-recognised refugees who were street homeless or at risk of street homelessness. The project enabled some of those supported to avoid street homelessness altogether.

Finally, in March 2025, we began the pilot of a new women’s project – developed in response to feedback from women about their experiences in asylum hostels. This pilot project will enable a group of women to come together fortnightly to cook together and build support networks outside the intimidating atmosphere of the hostels.

We are delighted that we have been able to support so many people seeking sanctuary this year: to start to settle in the UK, rebuild their lives, and feel welcome in the community in Croydon. We say an enormous thank you to our volunteer team, who are vital to all our work, and a big thank you both to the 35+ community and faith groups across Croydon and beyond who have supported us with in kind and financial donations, and to the trusts and foundations who have supported us financially.

We are really looking forward to continuing to build our much-needed community and services in 2025-26.

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Categories	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Last year
Receipts				
Donation and gifts	26,079	6,926	33,005	28,915
General grants	5,000	118,224	123,224	62,889
Gift Aid	1,373	-	1,373	-
Interest income	384	-	384	-
Other	296	-	296	149
Total receipts	33,132	125,150	158,282	91,953
Payments				
Administration & IT	781	1,095	1,876	2,013
Consulting	300	-	300	-
Clothes	884	8,652	9,536	2,246
Food and food vouchers	681	12,030	12,711	9,626
Equipment consumables	323	-	323	-
Insurance	57	275	332	311
Telephone	47	510	557	238
Staff training	419	1,195	1,614	-
Subscriptions	12	95	107	-
Toiletries	1,017	1,087	2,104	2,074
Travel	43	7,093	7,136	2,612
Use of Space	-	7,000	7,000	4,500
General expenses	2,103	1,587	3,690	2,173
External Tuition	-	-	-	575
Wages and salaries	2,240	55,383	57,623	18,853
Accountants' fees	1,475	3,240	4,715	1,765
Total Payments	10,382	99,242	109,624	46,986
Net of receipts/payments)	22,750	25,908	48,658	44,967
Cash funds last year end	36,596	36,353	72,949	27,982
Cash funds this year end	59,346	62,261	121,607	72,949

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Charity, which is a public benefit entity, in the preparation of the accounts are as follows.

1.1 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charity Commissions guidance and the Charities Act 2011.

These accounts are presented in pounds sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared financial projections, taking into consideration the current economic conditions and have, at the time of approving these accounts, a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern of accounting in preparing the accounts.

2. Income from Donations and Legacies

Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
Donation and gifts	26,079	6,926	33,005	28,915
General grants	5,000	118,224	123,224	62,889
Gift Aid	1,373	-	1,373	-
	<u>32,452</u>	<u>125,150</u>	<u>157,602</u>	<u>91,804</u>

3. Income from Investments

Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
Interest income	384	384	-
	<u>384</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>-</u>

4. Other Income

Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
Other	296	296	149
	<u>296</u>	<u>296</u>	<u>149</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (continued)

5. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Total funds 2025	<i>Total funds 2024</i>
Analysis	£	£
Clothes	9,536	2,246
Food and food vouchers	12,711	9,626
Toiletries	2,104	2,074
External Tuition	-	575
Wages and salaries	55,383	14,291
Support Costs (see note 6)	29,890	18,174
	109,624	46,986

6. Support Costs

	Total funds 2025	<i>Total funds 2024</i>
Analysis	£	£
Administration & IT	1,876	2,013
Equipment consumables	323	-
Insurance	332	311
Telephone	557	238
Staff training	1,614	-
Subscriptions	107	-
Travel	7,136	2,612
Use of Space	7,000	4,500
General expenses	3,690	2,173
Wages and salaries	2,240	4,562
Governance Costs		
Consulting	300	-
Accountants' fees	4,715	1,765
	29,890	18,174

7. Cash at bank and in hand

	Total funds 2025	<i>Total funds 2024</i>
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	121,607	72,949
	121,607	72,949

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (continued)

8. Charity funds

8.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds	36,596	33,132	(10,382)	-	-	59,346
Restricted income funds	36,353	125,150	(99,242)	-	-	62,261
Total	72,949	158,282	(109,624)	-	-	121,607

8.2 Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

	<i>Fund balances brought forward £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>Gains and losses £</i>	<i>Fund balances carried forward £</i>
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	25,905	23,517	(12,826)	-	-	36,596
<i>Restricted income funds</i>	2,078	68,436	(34,161)	-	-	36,353
<i>Total</i>	<i>27,983</i>	<i>91,953</i>	<i>(46,987)</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>72,949</i>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Croydon Refugee Day Centre

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1064465

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

D Wells

Date:

11 November 2025

Name:

Dominique Wells

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCA - Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales

Address:

10 Lakeswood Road

Petts Wood

Kent BR5 1BJ

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None.

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st April 2023 Period start date To 31st March 2024 Period end date

Charity name: Croydon Refugee Day Centre

Charity registration number: 1064465

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	This is set out in our Trust Deed: “To relieve and assist in the relief of refugees who are in need by the provision of facilities within a Day Centre”.
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	<p>We are a small, specialist organisation, based at West Croydon Baptist Church 3 days per week. We have a 70-strong volunteer team and 25-year track record of supporting refugees and asylum seekers. We have five core projects:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Essentials Centre: new & second hand clothing, coats and shoes, school uniform and essentials, household goods, toiletries, online access and food. . 2. Family Support Programme: weekly outreach into asylum hotels, building trust with families and helping children access education and other opportunities; providing necessary uniforms and equipment; liaising with schools to support children's needs. 3. Welcome Project: weekly community hub promoting well-being and mental health through social activities, language classes, children’s play, dance and art. 4. Signposting, Advice and Guidance Project: assists and supports with understanding and navigating UK systems and enabling asylum seekers and refugees to be represented and heard. 5. Refugee Homes Project: In partnership with The Spires Centre, supports newly-recognised refugees who are homeless or at

		risk of homelessness to find housing options.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have kept in mind our purposes and the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The main activities benefitting the public were as detailed in Activities and Performance below.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We are grateful for the commitment by many regular volunteers. Our 70-strong volunteer team give over 100 hours of voluntary work each week. Without their valuable contributions of time, energy and compassion we would not have been able to achieve so much.
Other		N/A

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	There are now 1100 people (including 300-350 children) seeking asylum living in emergency hostels in Croydon – a five times' increase on pre-pandemic levels. Refugee Action's report suggests people are being held in 'de facto' detention, in conditions that are unsanitary, hostile and actively harmful to their physical and mental health. We are currently supporting families who have been housed like this for upwards of two years (rather than the 3-4 weeks in government guidance). Families receive three basic meals a day - plus £8.86 per person per week - and they are generally banned from working and being able to earn their own money. They are therefore forced into destitution.

		<p>Other asylum seekers live in dispersal accommodation in the borough, existing on a subsistence allowance of only £49.15 per person per week (42% lower than standard universal credit).</p> <p>Many refugees are now living in emergency accommodation or are street homeless after being evicted from asylum accommodation shortly after receiving leave to remain.</p> <p>Our services supported people from across these groups over the year in question, and our achievements are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supported 1416 individuals altogether (823 adults and 593 children). They came from 54 different countries. The largest majority came from Iran (22%). 52% of the adults we supported were female and 48% were male. - ~100 individuals supported each week at our Essentials Centre with good quality, second-hand clothing, school uniform and household goods as well as signposting advice, and guidance. - ~30 individuals supported each week at our Welcome Project, with games and activities, language classes, socialising and refreshments. - Our Pilot Family Support Programme established two weekly drop ins at asylum hotels in Croydon offering support to access education and general signposting, advice and guidance. - 655 winter coats, 981 pairs of shoes, 1264 sets of new underwear, 815 food parcels and 1029 toiletry and hygiene packs gifted to asylum seekers and refugees. - New partnership with The Spires Centre set up to support individuals at risk of street homelessness after receiving refugee status.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

		N/A
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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Our funds have come from small grants and from voluntary donations. We have successfully expanded and diversified our funding base this year to meet the new level of need in Croydon.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity was in a healthy financial position at the end of the period.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We hold unrestricted reserves such that we would be able to wind up the organisation in a timely and orderly manner, if it was no longer a going concern.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Not more than 6 months and not less than 3 months in unrestricted funds at any one time against budgeted expenditure.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

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	Grants and donations
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks for the Charity are: (1) not having sufficient funds to pay any staff and buy food and clothing provided to asylum seekers and refugees, and (2) not having sufficient volunteers to operate our services in relation to the demand for them.
Other		N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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 Association
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 have generally been drawn from the pool of experienced volunteers and are appointed at trustee meetings.

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	Croydon Refugee Day Centre
Other name the charity uses	-
Registered charity number	1064465
Charity's principal address	Croydon Refugee Day Centre West Croydon Baptist Church Whitehorse Road Croydon CR0 2JH

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	Rory MacLeod	Chair		
2	Sandra Ramsbotham	Treasurer to 15/10/23		
3	Linda Fox	Treasurer from 15/10/23	15/10/23 onwards	
4	Ivanka Lennon			
5	Rosanna Edser			
6	Bridgette Nettleford			
7	Denzil Larbi			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

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

Joanna Doherty (Centre Manager)

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

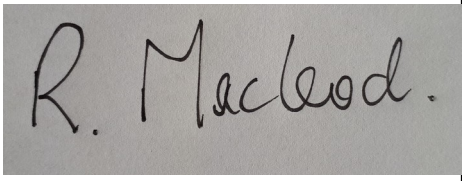
N/A

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Roderick Ian Neil MacLeod	(Known as Rory)
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair of Trustees	
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Date

21 st November 2024

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Croydon Refugee Day Centre
For the year ended 31 March 2024

Account	RESTRICTED, FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMME	RESTRICTED, FOOD BANK	RESTRICTED, FOOD VOUCHERS	RESTRICTED, GENERAL	RESTRICTED, HARDSHIP	RESTRICTED, OPERATIONAL & VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR ROLE	RESTRICTED, SCHOOL UNIFORM PROJECT	RESTRICTED, TUESDAY CENTRE	RESTRICTED, WEDNESDAY WELCOME	UNRESTRICTED, GENERAL	Total
Turnover											
Donations - Organisations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,297.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,551.66	18,849.13
Grants	7,781.75	3,360.00	3,840.00	10,000.00	1,900.00	18,607.50	2,500.00	2,900.00	7,000.00	5,000.00	62,889.25
Individual Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,825.11	9,075.11
Online Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	991.25	991.25
Other Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	148.75	148.75
Total Turnover	7,781.75	3,360.00	3,840.00	10,000.00	12,447.47	18,607.50	2,500.00	2,900.00	7,000.00	23,516.77	91,953.49
BEFWD FUND BALANCE									2,078.00	25,905.11	27,983.11
Administrative Costs											
Administration & IT	245.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	521.19	0.00	0.00	766.72	479.88	2,012.77
Audit & Accountancy fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,765.00	1,765.00
Clothes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,246.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,246.29
External Tuition	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	575.00	0.00	575.00
Food	0.00	3,283.40	0.00	97.63	394.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,101.25	5,786.49
Food Vouchers	0.00	0.00	3,840.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,840.00
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	310.91	310.91
Mobiles	45.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48.36	0.00	0.00	82.49	61.00	237.85
Pensions Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	82.05	0.00	121.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	444.64	647.92
Salaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,333.35	0.00	5,600.01	0.00	617.05	2,537.47	4,117.68	18,205.56
Sundry	0.00	76.60	0.00	0.00	180.00	0.00	0.00	82.95	1,453.82	379.39	2,172.76
Toiletries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,953.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120.96	2,074.55
Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	404.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,162.50	45.00	2,612.40
Use of Space	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	3,000.00	4,500.00
Total Administrative Costs	290.00	3,360.00	3,840.00	5,513.03	5,088.79	6,291.79	0.00	700.00	9,078.00	12,825.69	46,987.30
Operating Profit	7,491.75	0.00	0.00	4,486.97	7,358.68	12,315.71	2,500.00	2,200.00	0.00	36,596.19	72,949.30

UNRESTRICTED BEFWD BAL 31 MAR 23	25,905.11
RESTRICTED BEFWD BAL 31 MAR 23 (WEDNESDAY WELCOME)	2,078.00
£	
OPENING BANK BALANCE	27,983.11
- RESTRICTED INCOME 23/24	68,436.72
- UNRESTRICTED INCOME 23/24	23,516.77
TOTAL INCOME 23/24	91,953.49
- RESTRICTED EXPENDITURE	(34,161.61)
- UNRESTRICTED EXPENDITURE	(12,825.69)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(46,987.30)
CLOSING BANK BALANCE	72,949.30
£	
FUND RECONCILIATION AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024	
CIFWD UNRESTRICTED BAL	36,596.19
CIFWD RESTRICTED BAL	
- TUESDAY CENTRE	2,200.00
- SCHOOL UNIFORM PROJECT	2,500.00
- OPERATIONAL & VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR ROLE	12,315.71
- HARDSHIP	7,358.68
- RESTRICTED GENERAL	4,486.97
- FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMME	7,491.75
TOTAL RESTRICTED C/FWD BAL	36,353.11
23/24 FUND BALANCES	72,949.30

FUNDER	FUND	POOL
REEDHAM CHILDRENS'S TRUST	RESTRICTED	FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMME
PURLEY FOOD HUB	RESTRICTED	FOOD BANK
REEDHAM CHILDRENS'S TRUST	RESTRICTED	FOOD VOUCHERS
CROYDON COUNCIL A/S SUPPORT FUND	RESTRICTED	GENERAL
LEATHERSELLERS FOUNDATION	UNRESTRICTED	GENERAL
MAURICE FRY TRUST	RESTRICTED	GENERAL
POSTCODE SOCIETY TRUST	RESTRICTED	GENERAL
LONDON CHURCHES REFUGEE FUND	RESTRICTED	HARDSHIP
RED DOOR	RESTRICTED	HARDSHIP
CROYDON RELIEF IN NEED (CRIN)	RESTRICTED	OPERATIONAL & CO ORDINATOR ROLE
N/CF AWARDS FOR ALL	RESTRICTED	OPERATIONAL & CO ORDINATOR ROLE
CHARLES LEWIS FOUNDATION	RESTRICTED	SCHOOL UNIFORM
CROYDON COUNCIL A/S SUPPORT FUND	RESTRICTED	WEDNESDAY WELCOME



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Croydon Refugee Day Centre

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1064465

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

D Wells

Date:

6 November 2024

Name:

Dominique Wells

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCA - Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales

Address:

10 Lakeswood Road

Petts Wood

Kent BR5 1BJ

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None.

CROYDON REFUGEE DAY CENTRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1064465

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.04.2022 Period start date To 31.03.2023 Period end date

Charity name: Croydon Refugee Day Centre

Charity registration number: 1064465

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	This is set out in our Trust Deed: "To relieve and assist in the relief of refugees who are in need by the provision of facilities within a Day Centre".
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	We assisted asylum seekers and refugees visiting our premises through the provision of clothing, footwear, underwear, toiletries and food products to those in need at our weekly Tuesday drop-in service which also provided a help desk for administrative queries. Our Family Education Project (FEP) supported asylum seekers in a local hotel through the provision of off-site activities and through completion of forms to Croydon Council to enable the children of asylum seekers to obtain places in local schools. A new initiative, Wednesday Welcome, provided a safe place to meet for social activities and to combat mental health issues.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have kept in mind our purposes and the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The purpose set out in the Trust Deed is included on the agenda paper for trustees' meetings. The main activities benefitting the public were as detailed in Activities and Performance below.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We are grateful for the commitment by many regular volunteers. These are from West Croydon Baptist Church, other churches in the wider area and individuals with a passion to serve with us. Without their valuable contributions of time, energy and compassion we would not have been able to achieve so much.
Other		We have an adopted Safeguarding Policy for trustees and volunteers as we are dealing with vulnerable adults and children.

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	<p>The charity provided a drop-in service on Tuesday mornings for the majority of the reporting year, only closing for a few weeks over Easter, Christmas and mid-summer to provide a break for our volunteers. The service was provided for asylum-seekers in local hotels and in private accommodation and for those with refugee status. We provided the best of donated second-hand clothes and footwear, new underwear and socks and school clothing to adults and children in accordance with their needs. We also provided toiletries to all as needed, food products and household goods to those in private accommodation and a help desk for administrative queries and to signpost to other services.</p> <p>We have registered visitors to the drop-in service to ensure that they are asylum seekers or have refugee status in accordance with our purpose. This enables us to record the number of visits made and individuals or households served in relation to stock that we record. For the quarter January to March 2023, 738 people received recordable items and therefore were served. This will include the same person returning during this period. The most numerous countries of origin for our visitors were: Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria, El Salvador, Sri Lanka, Kuwait, Albania and Nigeria.</p> <p>Our Family Education Project (FEP) provided educational, play and sports activities for the children of asylum-seeking families and support for their parents. We supported parents through form filling and phone calls to help</p>

		<p>provide school places for children. Regular liaison with Croydon Council education services and schools has also been of wider benefit to society. A part-time staff member appointed to lead the service left early for personal reasons and the service thereafter was led by volunteers.</p> <p>In May 2022 we held a facilitated Away Day for trustees and leading volunteers to reflect on recent service delivery and improvements we could make. An output to this was our 'Wednesday Welcome' service on Wednesday mornings at the church. This aims to provide a safe place for asylum seekers to meet, socialise and take part in creative activities, separate from the Tuesday distribution of produce.</p> <p>The profile of the charity in the public domain was enhanced over the year. In April 2022, the charity was presented with a "Pride of Croydon" award in the arts and culture category. In June 2022, the charity featured in videos prepared by Anglican and Catholic diocese to promote refugee week. The MP for Croydon Central and the elected Mayor for Croydon Council both visited the charity over the year to witness our services.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Our objectives are as set out in the trust deed purpose above. We reviewed our objectives and services provided at an 'Away Day' for trustees and leading volunteers in May 2022. We concluded that we were still on track but an outcome was to commence an 'at-Centre' service on Wednesdays for social activities for asylum seekers that have been stuck in local hotels for a long period waiting for their cases to be reviewed.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Our funds have come from small grants and from voluntary donations. Our purposes and activities have been made known in grant applications and in details on our web site. Some funds have been raised through the recycling of donated clothing and footwear unsuitable to the needs of the clients served.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<p>Not applicable</p>

Other		We give thanks to the following: Lendlease for regularly sending volunteers, for constructing shoe storage shelves and for hosting a tour of their new building as an outing for our volunteers; The Queen Mother Clothing Guild for the generous supply of new clothing; the Good Gym Club for sending volunteers to sort through donations and clear up on Tuesdays; to Reeds and Mortgage Brain for sending volunteers to sort clothing donations, and to the many schools and churches that provided us with their harvest offerings and donations.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity had a healthy end of year financial position with a closing cash balance in the bank of £27,983. Whilst expenditure exceeded income over the year by £9,613 this is counter balances the larger excess of income over expenditure in the previous reporting year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	There was not a holding reserves policy in the review year, but one has since been adopted.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Not more than 6 months and not less than 3 months in unrestricted funds at any one time against budgeted expenditure.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not Applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

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	The Charity's principal source of funding is from small grant applications and donations from churches and individuals sympathetic to our work supplemented by income from recycling donated clothing and footwear not suited to the needs of clients visiting us.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Not applicable

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks for the Charity are: (1) not having sufficient funds to pay any staff and buy food and clothing provided to asylum seekers and refugees, and (2) not having sufficient volunteers to operate our services in relation to the demand for them.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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 association
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 have generally been drawn from the pool of experienced volunteers and are appointed at trustee meetings. The Trustees usually include the Senior Pastor at West Croydon Baptist Church; the church appointed a new pastor during the review year who has since become a trustee.

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	Trustees, any staff and leading volunteers all are subjected to a DBS check as we work with vulnerable adults and children.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity is based at West Croydon Baptist Church and benefits from regular use of two halls and storage areas. The charity makes donations to the church in relation to use of the premises.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Croydon Refugee Day Centre
Other name the charity uses	Refugee Day Centre West Croydon (on bank account)
Registered charity number	1064465
Charity's principal address	West Croydon Baptist Church, Whitehorse Road, Croydon, CR0 2JH

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	Rory MacLeod	Chair		
2	Sandra Ramsbotham	Treasurer		
3	Bridgette Nettleford			
4	Rosanna Edser			
5	Ivanka Lennon			
6	Denzil Larbi		From 28.11.2022	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

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	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

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)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

None

Other optional information

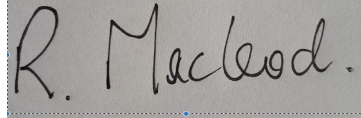
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. Macleod." The signature is written in a cursive style and is contained within a rectangular box that is part of a larger form structure.

Full name

Roderick Ian Neil MacLeod (known as Rory)

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

24th January 2024

CROYDON REFUGEE DAY CENTRE**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023**

INCOME £
BFWD CASH BAL (OPENING BANK) 37,595.83

DONATIONS	21,717.80
RAGS DONATIONS	
RESTRICTED DONATION	20,568.50
TOTAL INCOME	42,286.30

EXPENDITURE

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	
FOOD	(5,052.03)
MOBILE HANDSET	(83.29)
SALARIES	(5,184.25)
STATIONARY	(146.00)
TOILETRIES	(4,483.77)
TRAINING	(262.80)
TRAVEL	(2,069.41)
UNDERWEAR	(971.26)
SUNDRY	(2,840.01)
BANK CHARGE	(60.00)
CLOTHES	(24,278.35)
ADMIN	(455.97)
SHOES	(54.83)
USE OF SPACE	(1,500.00)
PHONE	(96.00)
INSURANCE	(296.43)
PROJECT COSTS	(83.59)
OYSTER	(142.17)
DONATION / TITHE	(3,100.00)
CLEANING MATERIALS	(738.86)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(51,899.02)

SURPLUS / DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR (9,612.72)

CLOSING CASH (BANK STATEMENT) 27,983.11

FUNDING BALANCES AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

ARCC CARRIED FORWARD 4,297.84 INCLUDES £3000 USE OF SPACE PAYMENT OUTSTANDING TO WCBC - REMAINING UNRESTRICTED
 CC COVID GRANT via ARCC 900.00 £900 UNRESTRICTED DONATION BALANCE OF ADMINISTRATION OF CC COVID GRANT TO CRDC
 CC ASYLUM SEEKER GRANT 2,078.47 BALANCE UNRESTRICTED IN NEW ACCOUNTING YEAR

TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 7,276.31

RESTRICTED INCOME				
ARCC	CC ASYLUM	CC COVID GRANT	LCRF	PFH
6138.5	5000	5000	1850	2580
6,138.50	5,000.00	5,000.00	1,850.00	2,580.00

REPORTED LAST YEAR

					RESTRICTED INCOME	UNRESTRICTED INCOME	
						21,717.80	48950
	6138.5	5000	5000	1850	2580	20,568.50	278
	6,138.50	5,000.00	5,000.00	1,850.00	2,580.00	20,568.50	13515
						21,717.80	62743

RESTRICTED EXPENDITURE						
ARCC	CC ASYLUM	CC COVID GRANT	LCRF	PFH	RESTRICTED EXPENDITURE	UNRESTRICTED EXPENDITURE
(409.80)	(332.03)			(2,580.00)	(3,321.83)	(1,730.20)
(83.29)					(83.29)	-
(4,138.61)					(4,138.61)	(1,045.64)
					-	(146.00)
					-	(4,483.77)
	(262.80)				(262.80)	-
(569.94)	(1,235.23)				(1,805.17)	(264.24)
					-	(971.26)
					(652.12)	(2,187.89)
					-	(60.00)
(1,148.55)	(507.88)		(1,850.00)		(3,506.43)	(20,771.92)
(218.00)					(218.00)	(237.97)
(54.83)					(54.83)	-
	(500.00)	(1,000.00)			(1,500.00)	-
					-	(96.00)
(123.07)					(123.07)	(173.36)
	(83.59)				(83.59)	-
(142.17)					(142.17)	-
		(3,100.00)			(3,100.00)	-
					-	(738.86)
(7,540.38)	(2,921.53)	(4,100.00)	(1,850.00)	(2,580.00)	(18,991.91)	(32,907.11)

Independent examination of charity accounts checklist (CC32a)

A recommended checklist for examiners

This checklist is not suitable for the examination of voluntary group accounts.

1. Self-assessment checklist

The questions in this checklist are designed to help the examiner to undertake their independent examination in accordance with the legal requirements and good practice recommendations set out in the Commission's guidance on Independent examination of charity accounts: Directions and guidance for examiners (CC32).

The examiner is recommended to use the checklist alongside the Directions for independent examination. Not all the checks listed will apply in the case of every independent examination and so the checklist is not a substitute to the examiner using their own judgment as to what is necessary.

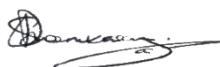
The prompt 'step done' may prompt a 'yes' or 'no'. A 'no' answer does not always indicate a problem because it may simply be that the step was either not applicable or found not to be necessary to the examination undertaken in which case the words 'not applicable' or 'not necessary' might be entered in place of a working paper reference.

Some answers may be 'no' because the evidence or information that was needed could not be obtained and this will need to be considered when the examiner makes their report. It is recommended that all the steps for each Direction are completed with a working paper reference added.

It may be that the examiner completes the checklist as they go through the examination or as a completeness check at the end as they bring their examination to a conclusion and prepare their report. There is no legal requirement to use this checklist and examiners may substitute their own checklist or take an alternative approach.

If the checklist is completed it is recommended that this forms part of the formal record of their independent examination undertaken and is kept in the file of examiner's working papers.

Independent Examiner: SDW Accountancy
Stella Werukusanga



2. Checklist – CROYDON REFUGEE DAY CENTRE 2022-23

The Directions and documentation	Step done?	Working paper reference
Direction 1: Check whether the charity is eligible to have an independent examination		
Checked the charity audit threshold applying to the accounts to be reviewed	Yes	Income Statement
Checked an audit is not required for any other reason	Yes	Income Stat
Confirmed the charity is eligible for independent examination	Yes	Income
Confirmed the amount of the charity's income to figure shown. the accounts (including any branches) and confirmed that income and assets are below the audit threshold or, if applicable, obtained a copy of the letter from the Commission approving an audit dispensation	Yes	Income Statement
If the charity has one or more subsidiaries confirmed that group accounts are not required by law	N/A	-
If a charitable company checked that the audit exemption statement has been made	N/A	-
If applicable, rechecked the threshold calculation during the examination	N/A	-
If the charity's income is more than £250,000 confirmed that the examiner is a member of one of the listed bodies	N/A	-
If applicable, informed the trustees that the charity is not eligible for an independent examination	N/A	-
If receipts and payments accounts have been prepared, checked that the charity's gross income is less than £250,000 and that it is not a company	Yes	Receipts & Payments and Cash book
If receipts and payments accounts have been prepared, check that there is no requirement to prepare accruals accounts in the charity's governing document or for any other reason	Yes	N/A
If applicable, informed the trustees that the charity is not eligible to prepare receipts and payments accounts	NA	-
Direction 2: Check for any conflict of interest that prevents the examiner from carrying out their independent examination	Yes	N/A
Confirmed that there are no close personal relationships with the trustees that compromise independence	Yes	N/A
Confirmed as having no the day to day involvement in the administration of the charity	Yes	N/A
If providing other services to the charity, then confirmed that all the criteria in Direction 2 necessary for independence are met	N/A	-
Identified that there are no circumstances in the examiners. judgment that would reasonably lead to the perception that the examiner is not independent	Yes	N/A

The Directions and documentation	Step done ?	Working paper reference
Considered whether sufficiently skilled to carry out the examination and, where required, confirmed membership of a listed body	Yes	N/A
If applicable, informed the trustees that you are not eligible to carry out the independent examination	N/A	-
Direction 3: Record your independent examination		
File of working papers prepared to document the work undertaken (see the Direction for guidance on key working papers)	Yes	-
Evidence of appointment on file	N/A	-
If issued, letter of engagement signed by the trustees on file	N/A	-
Documentation of steps required by Direction 1 are all done	Yes	-
Documentation that steps required by Direction 2 are all done	Yes	-
Analytical review documented	Yes	-
Areas of concern identified and noted whether these were resolved or if unresolved and significant have included them in the examiner's report	Yes	-
Verification and vouching procedures undertaken and any checks made are on file	Yes	-
Copy of approved accounts on file	Yes	-
Copy of trustees' annual report on file	N/A	-
Copies of information relied upon as part of the examination are on file	Yes	-
If applicable, copies of written assurances given	N/A	-
Recorded the conclusions drawn as an outcome of the independent examination that support the examiner's report are on file	N/A	-
Recorded any matters of material significance about which a report must be made direct to the Commission	N/A	-
Recorded whether to exercise discretion and report on relevant matters direct to the Commission	N/A	-
Direction 4: Plan your independent examination		
Obtained an understanding of the charity's constitution, objectives, organizational structure, the funds managed, its activities and accounting records and systems	Yes	Charity Commission website, Report, briefing
Planned specific examination procedures appropriate to the circumstances of the charity	Yes	-
Reviewed whether any areas for improvement were advised to the trustees in the previous year's independent examiner's report (or audit report and management letter) and looked to see if any action taken	Yes	Pension Regulator registration letter
Considered the financial risks identified and, where accruals account prepared, considered whether the trustees have evidence that shows that the charity is a going concern	Yes	Income Statement
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	-

The Directions and documentation	Step done?	Working paper reference
Direction 5: Check that accounting records are kept to the required standard		
Checked that accounting records have been kept are complete. and considered if they have been kept to the required standard	Yes	-
Asked the trustees about how they ensure the accounting records are complete	N/A	-
If corrections made or records created during the examination, the trustee approval for these has been sought and obtained	N/A	-
Asked the trustees if they carried out a review of the charities. internal financial controls in the year reported	N/A	-
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	-
Direction 6: Check that the accounts are consistent with the accounting records		
Compared the accounts with the underlying accounting records	Yes	21-22 Accounts
Checked some entries from the listing of transactions of income and expenditure to vouchers such as invoices, bank statements, and receipts.	Yes	Bank statement & Receipt
If applicable, confirmed that the trustees have taken the necessary steps to ensure that restricted or endowed funds are correctly reported in the accounts	Yes	Accounts
If additional checks were necessary, the evidence was found. that showed the accounting record was complete, voucher present, and both supported the entry in the accounts	Yes	Receipts & Bank statement
Direction 7: If the accounts are prepared on an accrual basis and one or more related party transactions took place the examiner must check if these were properly disclosed in the notes to the accounts		
Checked that the disclosures required by the SORP have been. made and are complete	N/A	-
Considered whether there are any implications for the examiner's report and reporting to the Commission	N/A	-
If receipts and payments account prepared and a related party transaction note was provided, then checked the note for any implications for the examiner's report	Yes	-
Direction 8: Check the reasonableness of the significant estimates and judgments and accounting policies used in accounting for the types of fund held and in the preparation of the accounts		
Checked with the trustees that the separate funds of the charity have been correctly accounted for and reported correctly in the accounts	N/A	-
Checked the reasonableness of any significant estimates or judgments that have been made in preparing the accounts	N/A	-

The Directions and documentation	Step done?	Working paper reference
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that the accounting policies adopted are consistent with the SORP and are appropriate to the activities of the charity	N/A	-
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that the accounts were prepared on a going concern basis	N/A	-
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	-
Direction 9: The examiner must check whether the trustees have considered the financial circumstances of the charity at the end of the reporting period and, if the accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, check whether the trustees have made an assessment of the charity's position as a going concern when approving the accounts		
Asked the trustees whether they expect the charity to be able to settle outstanding invoices, bills and commitments as and when they fall due	N/A	-
Asked the trustees about the reserves policy and the adequacy of the level of reserves held	N/A	-
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that the trustees' have assessed going concern and that their assessment is reasonable given the information available	N/A	-
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that the SORP's disclosures about going concern have been made	N/A	-
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	-
Direction 10: Check the form and content of the accounts		
Where receipts and payments accounts have been prepared, checked that the charity can lawfully prepare such accounts, that all the accounting statements are present and that the funds of the charity are correctly identified	Yes	-
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that they comply with the SORP and applicable accounting standard	N/A	-
If the charity is a company, checked that the accounts also comply with the applicable company law requirements	N/A	-
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	-
Direction 11: Identify items from the analytical review of the accounts that need to be followed up for further explanation or evidence		
Carried out an analytical review	N/A	-

The Directions and documentation	Step done?	Working paper reference
Following the analytical review, selected material items in the accounts for further explanation or supporting evidence	N/A	-
If the accounts could be materially misstated, additional checks were undertaken and the examiner is satisfied that the item(s) identified were satisfactorily explained and correctly included in the accounts	N/A	-
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	-
Direction 12: Compare the trustees' annual report with the accounts		
Checked that any figure for reserves quoted in the trustees. annual report is not materially inconsistent with the accounts	N/A	-
Compared the trustees' annual report with the accounts for any. material inconsistency	N/A	-
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	-
Direction 13: Write and sign the independent examination. report		
Reviewed the conclusions from the independent examination	Yes	-
Considered whether the examination has identified a matter of concern that should be reported in the examiner's report	N/A	-
Checked that the examiner's report covers all of the matters. required	Yes	-
If relying on the work of others in undertaking the independent examination, the examiner is fully satisfied with their work and that work has been fully documented	Yes	-
Signed and dated the examiner's report	Yes	-
Reported matters of material significance direct to the Commission	N/A	-
Exercised discretion and reported relevant matters direct to the Commission	N/A	-

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CROYDON REFUGEE DAY CENTRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1064465

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.04.2021 Period start date To 31.03.2022 Period end date

Charity name: Croydon Refugee Day Centre

Charity registration number: 1064465

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To relieve and assist in the relief of refugees who are in need by the provision of facilities within a Day Centre.
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	We assisted asylum seekers and refugees visiting our premises through the provision of clothing, footwear, toiletries and food products to those in need. Our Family Education Project (FEP) supported asylum seekers in a local hotel through the provision of off-site activities and through completion of forms to Croydon Council to enable the children of asylum seekers to obtain places in local schools.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In planning our activities for the year at our trustee meetings, we kept in mind our purposes and the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The main activities benefitting the public were as detailed in Activities and Performance below.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We are grateful for the commitment by many regular volunteers mainly from West Croydon Baptist Church and other churches in the wider area. Without their valuable contributions of time, energy and compassion we would not have been able to achieve so much.

Other		We have an adopted Safeguarding Policy for trustees and volunteers as we are dealing with vulnerable adults and children. A training session for volunteers on safeguarding was held in April 2021.
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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>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.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>During the second national lockdown in early 2021, our activities had been restricted to delivery of food parcels. This ceased during 2021 as clients in private accommodation were able to attend our premises again to receive food products.</p> <p>After lockdown, we were able to serve clients outside in our car park, then later indoors, taking appropriate Covid-19 precautions.</p> <p>Over the summer and autumn months there was an increase in the number of clients attending resulting from the exodus of refugees from Afghanistan and the rise in the number of migrants crossing the Channel in small boats. Several were placed in initial accommodation in Croydon hotels and attended our Centre in need of clothing and footwear.</p> <p>During the 6 months October 2021 to March 2022 we opened for 24 indoor sessions, weekly on Tuesday mornings serving single adults, couples and small and large families. Average attendance over this time was for households totalling 64 adults and 50 children. The majority were asylum seekers placed in local hotels. Some were in self-catering accommodation and seeking to be provided with tinned and dried food products in addition to clothing, footwear and toiletries. The most numerous countries of origin were: Iran, Iraq, Syria, El Salvador, Sri Lanka, Kuwait, Nigeria, Albania and Afghanistan.</p> <p>Our Family Education Project (FEP) ran weekly on Wednesday mornings with a small team of volunteers providing educational and play activities for the children of asylum-seeking families and support for their parents. This included weekly sports sessions, games in a local park and visits to a community allotment. Help was provided to parents through form filling and phone calls to help provide school places for children.</p>

		<p>Support was also provided through advocacy, sign posting to language classes and other areas of help and through referrals to education funding charities.</p> <p>People supported by the FEP included: 81 – adults (parents) 50 – high school aged children 65 – primary school aged children 28 – pre-school aged children 09 – single adults</p> <p>These came from 20 different countries with the largest numbers from Albania, Afghanistan, El Salvador, Kuwait, Nigeria, Turkey and those identifying as Kurdish.</p> <p>We were able to make an appointment to the vacant manager position in the summer but unfortunately the manager left after a few months.</p> <p>We improved our communications by enlarging our web site from a relatively static single page to several pages and by establishing a social media presence.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Our objectives are as set out in the trust deed purpose above. We adapted our services in response to pandemic restrictions prevailing over the year to meet the needs of asylum seekers and refugees in the area.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Most of our funds have come from voluntary donations. We were able to raise some funds through the recycling of donated clothing and footwear unsuitable to the needs of the clients we served. This helped fund the purchase of new underwear and other products.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<p>Not applicable</p>
Other		<p>We give thanks to the following: Lendlease for sending volunteers and for constructing storage shelves; The Queen Mother Clothing Guild for the generous supply of new clothing; Wrap-Up London for sacks of winter coats; the Happy Gym Club for sending volunteers to sort through donations; and to the many schools and churches that provided us with their harvest offerings and donations.</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has a healthy end of year financial position with a significant rise in income compared with the previous year to £62,743. Grants of £13,515 included: £1,500 from London Churches Refugee Fund for general purposes, £6138.50 from the Asian Resource Centre Croydon (ARCC) for the Family Education project (FEP) and £5,000 from Croydon Council for food and sanitary products. The main source of receipts was donations from individuals, churches and organisations, the largest £9,600, a delayed payment from the Mayor of Croydon's fundraising for us during a mayoral year 2019-2020. The largest expenditure was on clothing and footwear in response to the increase in asylum seekers placed in hotels near to us. Payments on salaries was lower than anticipated due to vacancies over parts of the year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	There is not a formal policy for holding reserves. Much of the balance has been set aside for future salaries.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	-
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	-
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

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	The Charity's principal source of funding is donations from churches and individuals sympathetic to our work. This is supplemented by grant applications, and an income stream from recycling donated clothing and footwear not suited to the needs of clients visiting us.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Not applicable
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks for the Charity are: (1) not having sufficient funds to pay any staff and buy food and clothing provided to asylum seekers and refugees, and (2) not having sufficient volunteers to operate our services in relation to the demand for them.

Other		
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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 association
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 have generally been drawn from the pool of experienced volunteers and are appointed at trustee meetings. The Trustees usually include the Senior Pastor at West Croydon Baptist Church, but the church was in an interregnum with no minister during the year.

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	Trustees, any staff and leading volunteers all are subjected to a DBS check as we work with vulnerable adults and children.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity is based at West Croydon Baptist Church but is a charity in its own right. The charity had exclusive use of a large hall as a clothes' store during the pandemic. The charity makes donations to the church in relation to heating and lighting.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The charity is supported by volunteers drawn from many churches in Croydon and is a 'Churches Together' project.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Croydon Refugee Day Centre
Other name the charity uses	Refugee Day Centre West Croydon (on bank account)
Registered charity number	1064465
Charity's principal address	West Croydon Baptist Church, Corner Whitehorse Road and St. James Road, Croydon CR0 2JH

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	Rory MacLeod	Chair		
2	Sandra Ramsbotham	Treasurer		
3	Bridgette Nettleford			
4	Rosanna Edser		From 18 th March 2022	
5	Ivanka Lennon		From 18 th March 2022	
6	Paul James		Up to 21 st May 2021	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

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	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

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)

George Out (Manager for part year). Roseanna Edser (Family Education Project for part year)

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)	<i>R. MacLeod</i>	
Full name(s)	Roderick Ian Neil MacLeod (known as Rory)	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	<i>29 January 2023</i>	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Croydon Refugee DayCentre

No (if any)
1064485

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01.4.2021	To	Period end date 31.03.2022
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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					
Grants	-	13,515	-	13,515	880
Rags Collection	278	-	-	278	546
Sundry Donations	48,950	-	-	48,950	27,826
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	49,228	13,515	-	62,743	29,252
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	49,228	13,515	-	62,743	29,252
A3 Payments					
Administration Salaries	-	5,101	-	5,101	-
Insurance	254	-	-	254	-
Food	-	1,856	-	1,856	-
Hygenic Products	-	2,192	-	2,192	-
Clothing	24,549	-	-	24,549	-
Underwear	2,808	-	-	2,808	-
Sundry Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Family Education Project	-	424	-	424	-
Tithe	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
Sub total	29,611	9,573	-	39,184	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	29,611	9,573	-	39,184	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,617	3,942	-	23,559	29,252
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	19,617	3,942	-	23,559	29,252

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	Bank	19,617	3,942	-
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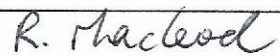

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
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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
	Roderick MacLeod	29.01.23
	Sandra.Ramsbotham	29.01.23



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Croydon Refugee Day Centre

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2022

**Charity no
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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 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 (~~other than that disclosed below*~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

26/01/23

Name:

Stella Doreen Wankusag

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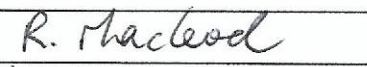

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CROYDON REFUGEE DAY CENTRE

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

The Trustees at the start of the year were Rory MacLeod (chair), Paul James (treasurer) and Bridgette Nettleford. In November 2020, Sandra Ramsbotham was appointed as a trustee and treasurer with Paul James continuing as a trustee.

Peter Hall (co-ordinator) and Rosanna Edser (Family Education Project) were the only two employees, both on part-time contracts. Peter Hall retired at the end of May 2020 but continued in a voluntary capacity to help as he was able to do so.

At the outset, I wish to place on record the thanks of all the Trustees to the many volunteers who have given of their time so selflessly to meet the needs of the asylum seekers and refugees that have been helped by the Croydon Refugee Day Centre (CRDC).

The year April 2020 to March 2021 has been like no other year for the organisation. The Coronavirus pandemic that started early in 2020 resulted in the first national lockdown in March 2020. Hitherto, the CRDC had provided a safe place within a large church hall where those seeking asylum or granted refugee status could meet, chat and relax on Tuesday mornings with a supervised place for young children to play and a help desk for adults to be signposted to other services. A key element had always been provision of a free hot meal, usually for over 100 persons, from food donated to us or bought for this purpose.

All this had to stop with the lockdown. We could not operate from a crowded indoor environment and had to adapt our services. West Croydon Baptist Church where we are based were not currently using the hall for other purposes, so we were able to create an enlarged clothes store. As lockdown measures eased in the early summer we were able to provide clothing and food to asylum seekers and refugees outside the hall and then via a one-way system inside the hall, with appropriate covid-19 precautions, for a limited number of people at a time.

Over the summer of 2020 many migrants crossed the English Channel and several local hotels were used to provide temporary accommodation in addition to those regularly used for asylum seekers. Most had just the clothing in which they had arrived. It was still warm, but the winter months were coming. Suddenly we had long queues outside the hall, mainly of single men, needing clothing. We quickly ran out of stock for the most popular sizes and resorted to buying clothes, new underwear and footwear as we were able to. Then at short notice many single men were moved to the vacant Napier Army Barracks near to Folkestone. As we had the mobile phone numbers of some relocated, we were made aware of clothing needs not yet met and arranged for a full car load of clothing, much for named individuals, to be driven to Folkestone. The operation was then repeated.

We continued to serve locally based asylum seekers and refugees at the church hall during the autumn with clothing, toiletries and food products for those self-catering. However, over the winter months, during the second national lockdown, activity at the church hall had to be curtailed once again. We adapted our services to the distribution of food products and clothing to those known to be in need from the communities we served.

During these months we partnered with the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) based in East London as many of their clients were based in the Croydon area and it was easier for us to distribute food to them. As lockdown restrictions eased we were able to resume serving people outside the church hall.

Over the year 2020-2021 we have served people from over 30 countries. The largest numbers have come from Albania, Iraq, Kuwait, Sudan, Eritrea, Nigeria and Syria. In the period from September to October 2020 we responded to the needs of over 200 people. The largest cohort was single people, predominantly men, but we also served couples and many families with one or more children.

In January 2021, Peter Hall, our recently retired Co-ordinator and long-term stalwart of the CRDC sadly died from coronavirus. He is greatly missed but the work of the CRDC continued led by trustees and a loyal body of volunteers.

I wish to acknowledge with thanks the roles played by the many individuals, organisations, and companies whose support has been instrumental in the continued success of CRDC over the past 12 months:

- Coughlan's the Bakers who have supplied us with bread and cakes for many years.
- The Queen's Mothers Clothing Guild for their generous donation of new adult and baby clothes.
- London Churches Refugee Fund for the generous donation of a grant.
- Kevin McKenna from Croydon Council for advice and practical assistance with pursuing means of funding.
- Refugees at Home who host refugees in our borough
- The staff at Migrant Help for their ongoing support, and for accompanying clients to the centre.
- The owners of Hayesthorpe Hotel who together with their staff have facilitated our Family Education Project.
- LUSH in Croydon for donations of wonderful toiletries.
- The Mayor of Croydon, Councillor Humayun Kabir, for adopting us as one of his Charities of the year, and for fundraising for us.
- Croydon Reach for their positive attitude to helping our homeless clients.
- Bishop Jonathan for his outspoken support for all refugees.
- David Sayers for collecting excess clothing and taking it to Ukraine and other Eastern European countries.

- The Body Shop for kindly providing various toiletries.
 - Calvin Productions Ltd., for new clothing bought for filming but never worn.
 - Local schools and churches in the borough for taking an interest in our work and donating their Harvest Festival goods and other gifts in kind to us.
 - Refugee Action and Migrant Help for providing free of charge literature we have used to promote CRDC.
 - Joanna Doherty from the Happy Baby Community.
 - South West London Law Centre for accepting referrals from us for clients in need of qualified advice.
 - The British Red Cross for their continuous support.
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- Purley Food Hub, the Vine Foodbank and West Norwood Foodbank for kindly accepting referrals from us.
 - Croydon Voluntary Action for their ongoing help, support, and advice.
 - Rev Linda Fox and Cynthia Smith for running ESOL and computer lessons at St Augustine's Church.
 - And with apologies to those supporters whose names have been omitted – not because we do not value them – on the contrary, their roles cannot be overstated. And there are so many whose input has been integral to our success in providing high quality services to our many visitors over the past year.
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The Family Education Project (FEP) (Rosanna Edser)

Prior to the pandemic, the FEP ran weekly on Wednesday mornings in Hayesthorpe Initial Accommodation Hotel with a small team of volunteers providing educational and play activities for the children of destitute asylum-seeking families and support for their parents. In the afternoons I provided individual support, help with form-filling and phone calls, integration, oyster cards and Tesco vouchers for food where needed for health reasons.

In March 2020, at the hotel managers' request and to protect our volunteers, we stopped running our usual weekly sessions as lockdown began and I distributed our stock of toys, games and educational resources to our client families who were isolated in their rooms. Thereafter, I continued visiting these families (taking due Covid-19 precautions), helping them connect to available online/phone support, such as the Happy Baby Community.

Because formal schooling had all moved online and couldn't be accessed by children without electronic devices I continued to support some recently dispersed families who were particularly vulnerable by appealing for used I-pads, tablets and lap tops. These were factory-reset and posted to them and some given to our Hayesthorpe current clients, some at the expense of Geoff Dumbreck, vicar of St Augustine's. Some of our families

were moved out into self-catering accommodation in Croydon High Street, Tulsi apart-hotel, from where I continued to support a family with acute health needs.

We started games for children in a park close to the hotel on Wednesday afternoons which was popular for those children unable to gain access to local schools, and also provided an opportunity and safe place for adults to meet outside the hotel. We promoted the Tuesday Drop-Ins and the local English Classes. A volunteer would regularly lead a group from the hotel by bus to the CRDC base at West Croydon Baptist Church for clothing needs to be met. Crèche and laptop access were provided by St Augustine's Church and Simon French on Thursday afternoons. To families we knew well I gave my work phone number and have continued to provide them with support remotely for educational matters, such as new school applications and access to local council services.

The numbers of children, teenagers and adults helped at the Hayesthorpe Hotel varied considerably with the fluctuation of the hotel's occupancy as some families were relocated and new asylum seekers took their places.

Other Activities

The Croydon Refugee Day Centre has been represented at various venues. Both Rosie and Peter have had a number of speaking engagements at several schools, churches and other venues highlighting the work of the organisation.

Rory MacLeod
Chair of Trustees



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Croydon Refugee Day Centre

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	31/03/2020	Period end date
	01/04/2020		31/03/2020

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					
Grants	30	850	-	880	1,150
Rags Collection	546	-	-	546	434
Sundry donations	£27,826.44	-	-	27,826	26,575
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,402	850	-	29,252	28,159
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,402	850	-	29,252	28,159
A3 Payments					
Administrator Salaries	£6,756.55	-	-	6,757	21,194
Insurance	£336.02	-	-	336	358
Food and Sundries	£7,540.39	-	-	7,540	4,797
Refugee Travel Costs		850	-	850	1,839
Sundry expenditure	5,717	-	-	5,717	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,350	850	-	21,200	28,188
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Cash in Bank		-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,350	850	-	21,200	
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,052	-	-	8,052	18,127
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	18,127	-	18,127	
Cash funds this year end	8,052	18,127	-	26,179	18,127

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		26,179	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	26,179	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			OK



	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
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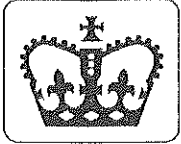
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			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Sandra Ramsbotham	2.9.22
	Roderick MacLeod	2.9..22



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Croydon Refugee Day Centre

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/3/2021

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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Signed:

Date:

2/9/22

Name:

Robert Maybin

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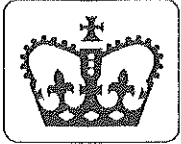
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			-	-
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			-	
			-	
			-	

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	Roderick MacLeod	2.9..22



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