BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

England & Wales · Charity number 1091127

Details

Other names	BMECP
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	04180668
Registered	2002-03-14
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF BMECP IS TO PROMOTE ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN BRIGHTON AND HOVE AND THE SURROUNDING AREA ("THE AREA OF BENEFIT") IN PARTICULAR FOR THE BENEFIT OF BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES ("THE OBJECTS")

Activities: Enabling Groups and organisations to develop themselves to be able to meet their needs Support to Individuals and Families Generic Infrastructure Development Support Manage a sustainable BMECP Centre Partnership Representation Health related work BMECP is involved in the areas of Mental Health HIV /AIDS Equalities Work

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** EAST SUSSEX
- Brighton And Hove

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£175,324	£180,378	-	-
2024-03-31	£166,508	£191,394	-	-
2023-03-31	£124,229	£176,949	-	-
2022-03-31	£138,078	£131,800	-	-
2021-03-31	£136,749	£108,550	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CHANDRAKANT MEHTA		
Denis Njouwouo		2023-11-20
Dr Yeru Shang		2024-08-22
Judy Loleta Richards		2024-05-11
Nason Bimbe		2020-11-05
Shelley Hurley		2025-02-20
Winnie Apollo-Schubert		2023-11-10
Yasmin Jefferies		2026-03-26
rev Ogbonnia Nnanna Oko-Joseph		2023-11-10

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Accounts

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March, 2025

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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Trustees

Mr. Nason Bimbe Chair of the Board
Mr. Sunny Choudhury (Resigned 11/05/2024)
Mr. Cesar Da Luz (Resigned 11/05/2024)
Mr. Ogbonnia Oko-Joseph
Mr. Almami Baldé (Resigned 14/05/2024))
Ms. Hari Chhokar (Resigned 11/05/2024)
Mr. Patrick Chilufya (Resigned 11/05/2024)
Mr. Adeola Ojeniyi (Resigned 11/05/2024)
Mr. Chandrakant Mehta
Mr. Winnie Apollo-Schubert
Ms Shelley Hurley (Appointed 20/02/2025)
Ms Judy Loleta Richards (Appointed 11/05/2024)
Dr Yeru Shang (Appointed 22/08/2024)
Mr. Paul St. John Misso
Mr. Denis Njouwouo

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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

As a not-for-profit organisation, BMECP does not have shareholders, and its operations are not funded by Brighton & Hove City Council. Instead, BMECP is answerable to its membership, with the Trustees accountable for ensuring that the organisation operates in line with its charitable objectives and principles of good governance. In accordance with its Memorandum of Association, the object of BMECP is *"to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the public in Brighton and Hove and the surrounding areas, particularly for the benefit of Black and minority ethnic individuals and their families."*

BMECP owns its building, the BMECP Centre, which serves as a community hub for a wide range of activities and services. Income is generated through room bookings and office rentals, and all funds raised are reinvested back into the Centre to cover operational costs and support the ongoing maintenance and running of the facility.

Aims

BMECP's overall aim is to generate sufficient revenue through its own business activities, alongside grants and project funding, to ensure the long-term sustainability of the organisation. These funds enable BMECP to continue providing essential support and services to the Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) community, in alignment with its charitable objectives and commitment to promoting equity, inclusion, and community cohesion.

Objectives

- To promote equality of opportunity for Black and Minority Ethnic individuals and their families and to challenge and combat racism and all forms of discrimination.

- To support Black and Minority Ethnic Groups, individuals, and families by providing them with information, advice, and other assistance.

- To develop and maintain contacts with the statutory, voluntary, and private sector organisations with the aim of encouraging them to implement policies that will promote equality of opportunity and good relations between people of different ethnic origins.

- To deliver any services that are within the scope of the objects of BMECP.

- To promote or carry out research and to disseminate the useful results of such research and to publish or distribute such information.

- To establish, develop and maintain a resource centre catering particularly for, but not solely, the needs of black and ethnic peoples, including refugees and asylum seekers, who are residents in Brighton and Hove City.

ACTIVITIES
The organisation's charitable activities include:

Centre Operations and Community Impact
The BMECP Centre has been in operation for over two decades and continues to thrive as a welcoming, accessible, and affordable community space enjoyed by people from all backgrounds.

The Centre accommodates several long-term and medium-term tenants through office rentals, which provide a steady source of income. In addition, a range of meeting rooms and training spaces are available for community activities, training sessions, and events. While office rentals ensure financial stability, the availability of flexible hire spaces allows BMECP to meet the wider community's needs. In line with BMECP's charitable objectives, charitable organisations receive discounted hire rates, while office rentals remain competitively priced for clients.

BMECP serves a diverse range of beneficiaries, reflecting the inclusive nature of its mission. Community members and partner organisations are encouraged to use and support the Centre to help ensure that the facilities remain financially self-sustaining, which is vital to the organisation's long-term viability.

The Centre also operates a hot-desking facility, offering smaller groups, organisations, and individuals the flexibility to use desks and office facilities as needed, including the option to use the Centre's address for their business or group. Members benefit from discounts on room bookings and have access to networking and co-working opportunities through regular seminars and workshops included in the hot-desking package. This initiative continues to promote collaboration and mutual support among like-minded professionals and community organisations.

Grant Funding and Community Value
BMECP actively seeks grant funding to support its programmes and services, supplementing income generated from the Centre's operations. This approach ensures that BMECP remains a valuable and sustainable resource for the community, continuing to deliver activities that meet local needs and advance its charitable objectives.

BMECP received a capital **grant of £39,500** from **Groundworks** through the **VCSE Energy Efficiency Scheme** to improve the Centre's energy efficiency and sustainability. The grant funded (a) upgrading hand dryers, (b) upgrading the heating system, and (c) upgrading lighting to LEDs. These upgrades were completed in February 2025. It was estimated that implementing these measures will reduce the Centre's overall energy usage by 40% and lower carbon emissions by 59.1%. BMECP will assess and report on the effectiveness of these energy efficiency improvements in its 2025–2026 Annual Account.

BMECP is one of the distributors of the Government's **Household Support Fund (HSF)** on behalf of **Brighton & Hove City Council (B&HCC)**. The fund is designed to help vulnerable individuals and families in our community mitigate the impact of the cost-of-living crisis. During this financial year, BMECP received a total allocation of **£4,500,** which was distributed to deserving members of the community in the form of vouchers and food parcels through the BMECP Food Bank.

BMECP received a **£5,000 grant** from the **Screwfix Foundation** towards the replacement of the community kitchen at the BMECP Centre. However, quotations received for the planned works exceeded the available grant amount. BMECP carried forward the grant to the 2025–2026 financial year, allowing time to secure additional funding to meet the full cost of the project. The outcome and completion of this project will be reported in the 2025–2026 Financial Report.

BMECP has been awarded a **£46,100 grant** from **Voice4Change England (VC4E)** through its **Race Equality and Infrastructure Flexible Fund (REIF)** for a period of **one year**, starting in **April 2025**. This funding will enable BMECP to deliver the Infrastructure Training & Support Programme — an initiative designed to strengthen, support, and empower Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) organisations across Sussex. The programme aims to build strong, sustainable, and resilient organisations that are equipped to make a lasting impact within their communities. The initiative will provide comprehensive capacity-building support, tailored specifically for BME-led and BME-focused organisations, focusing on key areas critical to organisational growth, governance, and long-term success.

The **National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF)** has approved a **grant of £99,501** over a **two-year period**, beginning in **April 2025**, to support a BMECP project focused on improving community health and wellbeing through food. The project aims to: Promote healthier food choices among service users; Alleviate the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on the local global majority community; Encourage stronger cultural connections through food and shared experiences; Expand the reach and awareness of the BMECP Food Bank through targeted promotion; Support individuals currently on the waiting list for food aid; Broaden the scope of the food bank beyond families with children to reach a wider range of households; and Continue signposting recipients to both BMECP and partner support services. The project's target is to increase the number of weekly food aid recipients from 120 to 170 households and to expand the range of foodstuffs offered, thereby enhancing nutritional diversity and community wellbeing.

Community Services

The **Foodbank** continues to operate every Friday, providing essential weekly support to families experiencing financial hardship. The BMECP Foodbank was established in May 2020 and currently serves an average of 120 families per week. BMECP views the Foodbank as a natural extension of its mission to support the Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) community in Brighton and Hove. Since its inception, the number of beneficiaries increased exponentially, placing pressure on funding to sustain this growth. BMECP continues to fundraise to maintain a reasonable level of provision and ensure ongoing support for families in need. In collaboration with other local foodbanks, BMECP had participated in a survey and research project, which led to the publication of the "Strengthening Dignified and Equitable Access to Affordable and Healthy Food in the City of Brighton & Hove" brief. This report highlights the importance of foodbank initiatives while acknowledging the challenges they face and provides recommendations for improvement. BMECP has started to apply the findings and lessons learned from the research, working collaboratively

with partners to develop and implement new projects that strengthen equitable access to healthy food for the community.

Through **Friends at BMECP**, a variety of activities are held at the Centre to support, engage, and empower the community: **Gravity Yoga** – A weekly session designed to enhance strength, mobility, and flexibility, offered free of charge to community members. The class is led by an experienced yoga teacher and practitioner; **Mindfulness Sessions** – Held every Wednesday, these sessions are provided free of charge and are led by a qualified mindfulness practitioner, helping participants manage stress and improve wellbeing; **Sewing Class** – A free, inclusive class run by and for BME women, held every Monday. The class welcomes participants of all abilities and encourages skill-sharing and creativity; and **Cultural Women's Group** – Meeting every Monday, this group provides a safe and supportive space for Muslim women to discuss life in their community. The group has grown in popularity and continues to foster community connection and peer support. These activities reflect BMECP's commitment to creating a welcoming, inclusive, and empowering environment for all members of the community.

The **BMECP 50+ Group** is a multicultural club for individuals aged 50 and over that meets every Friday. The group aims to reduce social isolation, foster friendship, and bring people together in a supportive and welcoming environment. BMECP provides free space to the group as a contribution to the value of **£3,690** per year and has been going on for more than 15 years.

These activities are essential for the wellbeing of our community, helping to combat loneliness and promote social connection. However, sustaining them presents a challenge. BMECP will be embarking on fundraising initiatives with the aim of maintaining these activities and encouraging the introduction of new programmes to benefit even more community members.

One of BMECP's flagship service is the **drop-in support for CV writing and job interview preparation**. While currently unfunded, the service continues to support community members seeking assistance in enhancing their employability skills.
Based on feedback from those who have benefited, BMECP believes this service has the potential to become a sustainable, funded project under an employment and skills programme. BMECP will be actively seeking long-term funding to continue and expand this valuable initiative.

Working with the **University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust**, BMECP hosts a digital vending machine which dispenses rapid HIV self-test kits and home test kits for sexually transmitted infections (STIs). These are rapid HIV self-test kits are a simple to use mouth swab and do not require any blood.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

There was a deficit for the period of £5,054 (2025): deficit £24,886 (2024) and unusable reserves of £1,035,000 and £1,074375 for both 2024 and 2025 respectively. The unusable reserve holds the charity assets that are used to generate the funds to run the centre.

BMECP is turning a corner in its financial position, as evidenced by the grants secured for use in the 2025–2026 financial year. While this represents a positive outlook, there remains significant work to be done to achieve complete financial sustainability and ensure the organisation can continue delivering its services and supporting the community in the long term.

Reserves policy

BMECP's Trustees recognise the importance of maintaining income that is available to be spent at their discretion in furtherance of the charity's objects. This includes funds which are not yet spent, committed, or designated, ensuring the organisation has the flexibility to respond to emerging needs and opportunities in line with its charitable objectives.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

As per the Governing document, the Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 15 March 2001 and received charitable status on 14 March 2002. Its governing document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 15 March 2001 as amended 30 March 2001, 3 September 2002 and 20 February 2025.

The Trustees must hold at least 3 meetings each year.

BMECP continues to strengthen its operations and governance. Several existing policies have been reviewed, and new ones are being introduced to respond to changes in the operating environment. In line with our commitment to transparency, some of these policies are now publicly accessible on the revamped BMECP website.

From April 2025, BMECP will implement changes to its staff reward system, aligning remuneration with Local Authority pay scales to ensure that all staff are paid above the minimum wage. In addition, the Project, Marketing & Centre Manager role will become full-time, and additional hours have been allocated to administrative staff. As BMECP expands funding and programmes, we aim to increase staff numbers to maintain high-quality services and continue advocating for and supporting the community. We believe that these improvements will foster a positive workplace environment, ensuring that staff feel valued and motivated to deliver the organisation's objectives effectively.

RISKS

Over the past 12–24 months, BMECP has faced rising operational costs due to high inflation, particularly in gas and electricity, labour, repairs, insurance, and maintenance, which have increased at a rate exceeding income growth. The recently implemented energy-saving project is expected to help mitigate these risks.

The Board continues to monitor going-concern risks closely and remains positive about the organisation's direction, given the funding successfully secured and the number of programmes and projects planned for the 2025–2026 financial year. Processes and procedures are being continually improved to monitor debt levels and maintain strict control over accounts receivable, ensuring financial stability and sustainability.

BMECP's Current Board

The current Board of Trustees was elected at the Annual General Meeting held on 20 February 2025. The team continues to work collaboratively, navigating challenging situations with positivity, resilience, optimism, and determination, and the results are becoming evident. BMECP has successfully met its financial obligations to creditors, adhering to maximum repayment arrangements, demonstrating the organisation's commitment to sound financial management and responsible governance.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the excess of income over expenditure for that period.

In preparing this financial statement, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 as amended. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charitable company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO EXAMINER

The trustees who held office at the date of approval of this trustees' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant information of which the Charity's examiner is unaware; and each trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a trustee to make himself / herself aware of any relevant information and to establish that the Charity's examiner is aware of that information.

EXAMINER

In line with the provision exemption in the Charities Act 2011 as amended, the trustees have decided to continue with the services of Mr Adekunle Fawunmi FCCA, of Fabek Associates & Co Ltd as the charity's independent examiner.

Mr Nason Bimbe
Chair of the Trustees
Date: 30/10/2025

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP (BMECP)

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on Pages 12 to 23.

We have examined the financial statements of the Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership (the charity) for the year ended 31 March, 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies, the financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation, its applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March, 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by

the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with the examination, I have reviewed the books of BMECP and can conclude that except for the going concern that is under threat, no matter has come to our attention.

(1) Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act as amended.

Have not been met; or

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

Going Concern

BMECP although has overdrawn their unrestricted account and they have worked hard to reduce the deficit when compared with last year and will need to do more to maintain the cashflow, otherwise the going concern will be under threat.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our examination of the accounts has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees, as a body, for the independent examination work, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed this 30th Day of October, 2025



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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Total Funds 2025 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	3	31,175	55,875	**87,050**	44,995
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	3,588
Investments	5	88,274	-	**88,274**	102,817
Other	6	-	-	-	15,108
Total income	**A**	119,449	55,875	**175,324**	**166,508**
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	7	163,878	16,500	**180,378**	191,394
Total expenditure	**B**	163,878	16,500	**180,378**	**191,394**
Net income for the year	**A-B**	(44,429)	39,375	**(5,054)**	**(24,886)**
Net movement in funds		(44,429)	39,375	**(5,054)**	**(24,886)**
Reconciliation of funds:-					
Total funds brought forward		44,215	1,035,000	**1,079,215**	1,104,101
Total funds carried forward		(214)	1,074,375	**1,074,161**	**1,079,215**

All activities derive from continuing operations

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP - Resources applied in the year ended 31 March 2025 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-

	2025 £	2024 £
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	(5,054)	(24,886)
Resources applied on functional fixed assets	(40,493)	(2,657)
Net resources available to fund charitable activities	**(45,547)**	**(27,543)**

The resources applied on fixed assets for charity use represents the cost of additions less proceeds of any disposals.

Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 March 2025

Revenue accumulated funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Last year Total Funds 2024 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	44,215	-	44,215	69,101
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	(44,429)	39,375	(5,054)	(24,886)
	(214)	**39,375**	**39,161**	**44,215**
(From)/To unrestricted revenue funds	-	-	-	-
Closing revenue funds	**(214)**	**39,375**	**39,161**	**44,215**

Fixed asset funds

	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Last year Total Funds 2024 £
At 1 April	1,035,000	1,035,000	1,035,000
At 31 March	**1,035,000**	**1,035,000**	**1,035,000**

Summary of funds

	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Last Year Total Funds 2024 £
Revenue accumulated funds	(214)	39,375	**39,161**	44,215
Fixed asset funds	-	1,035,000	**1,035,000**	1,035,000
Total funds	**(214)**	**1,074,375**	**1,074,161**	**1,079,215**

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2025 as required by the Companies Act 2006

	2025 £	2024 £
Income		
Income from operations	87,050	48,583
Investment income and interest		
Income from investments, other than interest receivable	88,273	102,806
Interest receivable	1	11
Other operating income	-	15,108
Gross income in the year before exceptional items	**175,324**	**166,508**
Gross income in the year including exceptional items	**175,324**	**166,508**
Expenditure		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	128,805	139,674
Depreciation and amortisation	50,043	50,471
Governance costs	1,530	1,000
Interest payable	-	249
Total expenditure in the year	**180,378**	**191,394**
Net income before tax in the financial year	**(5,054)**	**(24,886)**
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
Net income after tax in the financial year	**(5,054)**	**(24,886)**
Retained surplus for the financial year	**(5,054)**	**(24,886)**

All activities derive from continuing operations

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £		2024 £	
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		1,080,980		1,090,530
Current assets					
Debtors	9	6,036		-	
Cash at bank and in hand	10	24,592		11,088	
Total current assets		30,628		11,088	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(37,447)		(22,403)	
Net current assets			(6,819)		(11,315)
The total net assets of the charity			**1,074,161**		**1,079,215**
The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-					
Restricted funds					
Restricted Revenue Funds	12	39,375		-	
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	12	1,035,000		1,035,000	
			1,074,375		1,035,000
Unrestricted Funds					
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	12	(214)		44,215	
			(214)		44,215
Designated Funds					
Total charity funds			**1,074,161**		**1,079,215**

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Denis Njouwouo
Trustee
Approved by the board of trustees
Date: 30/10/25

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		2025	2024
		£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash provided by operating activities as shown below	A	(34,457)	(99,583)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received		1	11
Other investment income, including rents from investments		88,273	102,806
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(40,312)	(2,839)
Net cash provided by investing activities	B	**47,962**	**99,978**
Overall cash provided by all activities	A+B+C	**13,505**	**395**
Cash movements			
Change in cash and cash equivalents from activities in the year ended 31 March 2025		13,505	395
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2024		11,087	10,692
Cash at bank and in hand less overdrafts at 31 March		**24,592**	**11,087**
Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities			
Net income as shown in the Statement of Financial Activities		(5,052)	(24,886)
Adjustments for :-			
Depreciation charges		50,043	50,471
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		(88,274)	(102,817)
Decrease in debtors		(6,036)	3,849
Increase in creditors, excluding loans		14,862	(26,200)
Net cash provided by operating activities	A	**(34,457)**	**(99,583)**

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities. Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a true and fair view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership meet the definition of public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party. It is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities in incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold property	- not depreciated
Long term leasehold property	- 100 years
Fixtures and Fittings	- 5 years
Office Equipment	- 7 years

1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.7 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening or similar account.

1.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipated it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle obligation. Where the effect of the time is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

2. Fund Accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors, or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3. Income from Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Total donations and gifts from individuals	4,683	16,500	**21,183**	44,995

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £**	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	**Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £**
Capital grants from non public bodies				
Total Donations, Grants and Legacies	**31,175**	**55,875**	**87,050**	**44,995**

4. Income from Other Non-Charitable Activities

Income from other, non charitable, trading activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Catering and other services income	-	-	**-**	3,588
Total from other activities	-	-	**-**	3,588

5. Investment Income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Property Rental Income	88,273	-	**88,273**	102,806
Bank Interest Receivable	1	-	**1**	11
Total investment income	88,274	-	**88,274**	102,817

6. Other Income and Gains

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Sundry other income	-	-	**-**	15,108
Total other income	-	-	**-**	15,108

7. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

Expenditure on charitable activities - Direct spending

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Gross wages and salaries -	39,617	-	**39,617**	35,890
Defined contribution pension costs -	2,571	-	**2,571**	2,545
Training	-	-	**-**	75
Food bank project	-	16,500	**16,500**	18,912

Other projects - sewing grp, women grp	-	-	-	190
Taxes and Nis	5,715	-	**5,715**	3,765
Refunds	-	-	-	121
Provision for Bad Debts	2,563	-	**2,563**	19,195
Total direct spending	**50,466**	**16,500**	**66,966**	80,693

Support costs for charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Volunteer costs				
Volunteers' expenses	-	-	-	73
Premises Expenses				
Rates and water charges	273	-	**273**	2,096
Light heat and power	23,293	-	**23,293**	17,255
Cleaning and waste management	10,931	-	**10,931**	10,586
Premises repairs, renewals and	801	-	**801**	2,290
Property insurance	4,215	-	**4,215**	-
Fire and Security	1,802	-	**1,802**	**968**
Administrative overheads				
Telephone, fax and internet	7,516	-	**7,516**	4,452
Stationery and printing	585	-	**585**	79
Software licences and expenses	605	-	**605**	561
Business Insurance	-	-	-	2,412
Sundry expenses	81	-	**81**	-
Admin costs	1,719	-	**1,719**	1,435
IT Support cost	204	-	**204**	9,094
Professional fees paid to advisors other than the auditor or examiner				
Accountancy fees other than	2,869	-	**2,869**	3,292
Other legal and professional	4,990	-	**4,990**	3,882
Marketing and Publicity	1,740	-	**1,740**	257
Financial costs				
Bank charges	215	-	**215**	249
Loan interest	-	-	-	249
Depreciation & Amortisation in	50,043	-	**50,043**	50,471
Total support costs - Current Year	**111,882**	-	**111,882**	109,701

Other Expenditure - Governance costs

Current Year	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Independent Examiner's fees	1,250	-	**1,250**	1,000
Trustees' expenses	280	-	**280**	-
Total Governance costs	1,530	-	**1,530**	1,000

Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2025 £	**Current year Total Funds 2025 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2024 £
Total direct spending	50,466	16,500	**66,966**	80,693
Total support costs	111,882	-	**111,882**	109,701
Total Governance costs	1,530	-	**1,530**	1,000
Total charitable expenditure	163,878	16,500	**180,378**	191,394

Staff costs and emoluments

Salary costs	**2025 £**	**2024 £**
Gross Salaries excluding trustees and key management personnel	39,617	35,890
Employer's operating costs of defined contribution pension schemes	2,571	2,545
Total salaries, wages and related costs	**42,188**	**38,435**
The average number of part time staff employed in the year was	4	4

8. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long Leasehold & Improvt to Property £	**Fixtures & Fittings** £	**Total** £
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	1,237,727	6,468	1,264,051
Additions	39,191	-	40,312
At 31 March 2025	**1,276,918**	**6,468**	**1,304,363**
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	149,612	5,526	173,339
Charge for the year	49,540	133	50,043
At 31 March 2025	**199,152**	**5,659**	**223,382**
Net book value			
At 31 March 2025	**1,077,766**	**809**	**1,080,981**
At 31 March 2024	**1,088,115**	**942**	**1,090,712**

9. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	8,599	29,677
Provisions for Doubtful Debts	(2,563)	(29,677)
	6,036	-

10. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash in hand at for the year ended 31 March	24,592	11,087
Total cash and cash equivalents	**24,592**	**11,087**

11. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deferred Income - Unrestricted & designated funds	29,346	17,951
PAYE, NIC VAT and other taxes	8,101	2,295
PAYE,NIC	-	2,339
	37,447	**22,585**

12. Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities

At 31 March 2025	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	45,980	1,035,000	**1,080,980**
Current Assets	(8,747)	39,375	**30,628**
Current Liabilities	(37,447)	-	**(37,447)**
	(214)	**1,074,375**	**1,074,161**

At 1 April 2024	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	55,530	1,035,000	**1,090,530**
Current Assets	11,088	-	**11,088**
Current Liabilities	(22,403)	-	**(22,403)**
	44,215	**1,035,000**	**1,079,215**

13. There is no Related Party transaction to be disclosed for the year 2024/25 and preceding year 2023/24.

14. There is no post balance sheet event to be disclosed for the year 2024/25 and preceding year 2023/24.

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1091127

Accounts

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March, 2024

Company Registration Number: 04180668 (England and Wales)
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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Trustees

Ms. Esther Ekpo (Retired 10/11/2023)
Mr. Nason Bimbe
Mr. Sunny Choudhury (Elected 10/11/2023)
Mr. Cesar Da Luz (Appointed 20/11/2023)
Mr. Ogbonnia Oko-Joseph (Elected 10/11/2023)
Mr. Almami Baldé (Appointed 20/11/2023)
Ms. Hari Chhokar (Appointed 20/11/2023)
Mr. Patrick Chilufya
Mr. Adeola Ojeniyi
Mr. Chandrakant Mehta
Mr. Winnie Apollo-Schubert (Elected 10/11/2023)
Mr. Paul St. John Misso (Elected 10/11/2023)
Mr. Denis Njouwouo (Appointed 20/11/2023)

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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims.

As a not-for-profit organisation, the BMECP does not have shareholders to answer to, & the BMECP operations are not funded by the Social Investment Business (SIB) and Brighton and Hove City Council. However, the BMECP is answerable, and the Trustees are accountable to its membership. As per the Memorandum of Association, the object of BMECP is to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the public in Brighton and Hove and the surrounding area for the benefit of Black and minority ethnic individuals and their families.

BMECP bought a shell property and borrowed £200,000 from SIB to improve the property. When rooms are booked or offices are hired at the BMECP centre, the monies are reinvested back into the centre to pay for operational costs and the general running of the centre. We are pleased to mention that as of 30 October 2023 BMECP is no longer indebted to SIB.

Aims

Our overall aim is to continue to raise enough revenue through its own business activities; grants and project funding to make BMECP sustainable. These funds enable BMECP to provide support to BME community in fulfilment of its objectives.

Objectives

To promote equality of opportunity for Black and Minority Ethnic individuals and their families and to challenge and combat racism and all forms of discrimination.

To support Black and Minority Ethnic Groups, individuals, and families by providing them with information, advice, and other assistance.

To develop and maintain contacts with the statutory, voluntary, and private sector organisations with the aim of encouraging them to implement policies that will promote equality of opportunity and good relations between people of different ethnic origins.

To deliver any services that are within the scope of the objects of BMECP.

To promote or carry out research and to disseminate the useful results of such research and to publish or distribute such information.

To establish, develop and maintain a resource centre catering particularly for, but not solely, the needs of black and ethnic peoples, including refugees and asylum seekers, who are residents in Brighton and Hove City.

ACTIVITIES

The organisation's charitable activities include:

BMECP Centre

The Centre has been in operation for more than 21 years and continues to thrive as a popular venue providing a welcoming, accessible, and affordable community space enjoyed by everyone.

We have several tenants renting our office spaces on medium to long term leases. Other spaces/meeting rooms are hired for training and community activities. Whilst office rental does generate enough steady income for the Centre, the other available spaces being hired for meetings/training has meant that we have more available space for meetings/training for the benefit of everyone. In keeping with BMECP's objectives, hires to charities is provided at a discount while office rentals priced competitively for our clients. We have a diverse beneficiary group thereby continuing to serve the community. Community members and groups are encouraged to support the Centre to ensure that the rooms and offices are used and that the Centre generates enough income to be self-sustaining which is very important for the going concern of the organisation.

BMECP operates a hot desking facility that enables smaller groups, organisations, and individuals to use the Centre facilities including the Centre address for their group or business. This also enables them to use the available desks as and when they require a private space on a rota basis. Members are offered a discount on room booking. This has and continues to provide opportunities for co-working and networking with other like-minded people - regular seminars and workshops, included in the hot desking package.

Gift Aid Registration

On the 30th of May 2018, BMECP was recognised by HMRC as a charity for tax purposes under the Gift Aid scheme. This now means that BMECP can make claims for repayment of tax on individual donations to the centre under the Gift Aid Scheme within 4 years of its accounting period of the receipt of the donation. This is a revenue stream that is yet to be explored.

Improved BMECP Website

Our website acts as the eye of BMECP to the public. Visitors can see what our mission, aims and objectives are and also in some cases some of the strategies on how to achieve them.

BMECP has been using the website to fundraise including gift aid donations. We made some improvements that allows our website has the right content and we have attracted a lot of new visitors (traffic has increased), our supporters and other donors to market our organisation and raise funds for our social and charitable projects. While these small changes have had an impact, we aim to carry out a substantial overhaul of the website and add more transactional aspects to it.

Our main aim is to encourage our supporters, as well as the public to visit our website so that they can see what we do and at the same encourage them to donate funds to the charity. We continue to strive in leveraging the platform to connect with people in Brighton, surrounding areas and beyond the Southeast. Among the improvements, is to make the website user-friendly and to provide a compelling user experience regardless of the device's screen size used to access it. Among the transactional aspects we aim to bring is to enable 'self-service' of room hire processes. This we believe will help us maximise the use of the spaces, a good experience for the clients and freeing up the time of staff so that they have more time to connect with clients in the centre. Included the statement of cookie consent and made it clear in terms of GDPR compliance in last enhancement. We have included a privacy statement and going forward we will expose our important policies on the website.

Using Facebook for Fundraising & Marketing

Our Facebook page continues to attract more followers and improved engagement with the users. We continue to make sure our Facebook page has the right content, profile page photos and videos. We also utilise all the suites of tools and services offered by Facebook.

Our Facebook has been clearly categorised us Non-Profit and utilised services such as Fundraisers, events, page insights, donations and so forth. We will continue to take advantage of Facebook Tools and services such as Fundraiser and Donate Button to raise cash through Gift Aid & other donations. With improved engagement and growing number of followers, BMECP will work on strategies that will help in converting some of the followers into members and critical friends of BMECP.

We continue to experiment and adopt tools such as Events to assist us organise supporters to participate in the activities if deemed effective. We can utilise tools such as Live for Live Fundraising Streams and place free advertisement space for charities. Furthermore, using the Fundraiser tool, we can use the ability for other people to fundraise on our behalf for our various causes.

Measuring Social Impact

BMECP currently measure or record the number of people visiting the centre and record of bookings or hiring our rooms for training and other purposes for board decisions.

BMECP wants to move away from just recording traffic into the centre but into Measuring and Demonstrating Social Impact. We want to measure the quality of our services such as the experience of our service users. As a result, we are planning to start capturing data through qualitative means such as surveys and questionnaires. We will always ask the user of our services to complete the questionnaire or survey forms. Use of user stories will be encouraged. As we focus more on the 'infrastructure provision' to BME groups, we will make sure that data is captured on the usefulness of the support provision as well as impact beyond the groups but also to their clients or service users.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

There was a deficit for the period of £24,886 (2024): deficit £52,720 (2023) and unusable reserves of £1,116,666 for both 2023 and 2024. The unusable reserve holds the charity assets that are used to generate the funds to run the centre.

Reserves policy

BMECP's Trustees recognise the importance of having income available to be spent at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the charity's objects, but which is not yet spent, committed, or designated.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

As per the Governing document, the Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 15 March 2001 and received charitable status on 14 March 2002. Its governing document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 15 March 2001 as amended 30 March 2001 and 3 September 2002.

The Trustees must hold at least 3 meetings each year.

CHANGES TO THE ECONOMIC CLIMATE AND ONGOING CHALLENGES TO BMECP

The impact of COVID-19 pandemic lockdown is still affecting the pace of room hiring at BMECP. We are still not at full capacity in terms of room usage and occupancy due to changes in working behaviours (remote working and meetings) which by extension is affecting BMECP usage. Project funding is becoming very challenging to access as the pool of funders is dwindling while the charitable organisations looking for funding is increasing.

ENERGY CRISIS

BMECP has also had to cope with high energy bills during the calendar year and this has become an existential threat to the workings of BMECP. Energy costs continue to weigh down on the organisation. The organisation is making the necessary efficiency savings to cope with the surge in energy costs. Some of the strategies to be implemented, based on recommendations from a survey commissioned by VCSE Energy Efficiency Scheme, are: -

Creating an energy awareness campaign
Upgrading hand dryers
Upgrading the heating system
Upgrading lighting to LEDs

Implementing all the above would reduce the existing energy usage by 40.0%, resulting in a reduction in carbon emissions of 59.1%.

FOOD BANK REVIEW

The foodbank of BMECP started in May 2020 and the average number of families served is one hundred and twenty (120) per week. BMECP considers the Food bank provision as a natural extension of what it does to support the BME community within Brighton and Hove. Since we started the project during the Covid Pandemic; the number of beneficiaries increased exponentially to a point where the funding could not sustain the growth. BMECP continues to fundraise to maintain a reasonable level of provision. The BMECP Foodbank and others within the city where surveyed and researched leading to the publication of the 'Strengthening Dignified and Equitable Access to Affordable and Healthy Food in the City of Brighton & Hove' brief highlighting the importance of these projects while also recognising the challenges they face. The brief offers ideas on how to improve and how to mitigate some of the challenges. BMECP are keen to use these fundings/learning and craft out projects in collaboration with others to implement some of them.

RISKS

Due to high inflation in the last 12-24 months, BMECP's costs especially Gas and electricity, labour, repairs, insurance, and maintenance, continue to increase at a rate far much more than the income. We hope with the energy saving project being implemented will help to mitigate this risk.

In the last financial accounts, the Independent Examiner's report, highlighted risks around going-concern, because of this report, the board reconstituted itself through a combination of electing new trustees at the Annual General Meeting held on 10 November 2023 and appointments. The board also made improvements to the reporting mechanisms. BMECP has written off bad debts where they were no hope of recovering it and some of which have been carried for past 5 years. With this write off, it will enable the organisation to start on a clean slate. Going into the next financial year, we will institute processes and procedures to monitor debt levels on a monthly basis. The Board would have to monitor the debtors' level. There will be strict control on accounts receivable. The clearing of the indebtedness to SIB is going to help in improving the levels of outgoings.

BMECP's Current Board

The current board was elected at the Annual General Meeting held on 10 November 2023. We would like to thank the retired trustee for her dedication and support to the charity.

The new team has worked together though with challenges but has managed to navigate the difficult situation, with positivity, resilience, optimism and determination and the results have started showing. BMECP was able to meet its financial obligations to the creditors at maximum repayment arrangements.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the excess of income over expenditure for that period.

In preparing this financial statement, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 as amended. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charitable company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO EXAMINER

The trustees who held office at the date of approval of this trustees' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant information of which the Charity's examiner is unaware; and each trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a trustee to make himself / herself aware of any relevant information and to establish that the Charity's examiner is aware of that information.

EXAMINER

In line with the provision exemption in the Charities Act 2011 as amended, the trust have decided to continue with the services of Mr Adekunle Fawunmi FCCA, of Fabek Associates & Co Ltd as the charity's independent examiner.

Mr Nason Bimbe
Chair of the Trustees
Date: 19/12/2024

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP (BMECP)

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on Pages 13 to 27.

We have examined the financial statements of the Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership (the charity) for the year ended 31 March, 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies, the financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation, its applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March, 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with the examination, I have reviewed the books of BMECP and can conclude that except for the going concern that is under threat, no matter has come to our attention.

(1) Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act as amended.

Have not been met; or

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

Going Concern

BMECP although has overdrawn their unrestricted account and they have worked to reduce the deficit when compared with last year and will need to do more to maintain the cashflow, otherwise the going concern will be under threat.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our examination of the accounts has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees, as a body, for the independent examination work, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed this 09 Day of December 2024

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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	3	25,893	19,102	**44,995**	24,998
Other trading activities	4	3,588	-	**3,588**	5,499
Investments	5	102,817	-	**102,817**	92,486
Other	6	15,108	-	**15,108**	1,246
Total income	**A**	147,406	19,102	**166,508**	**124,229**
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	7	172,292	19,102	**191,394**	176,949
Total expenditure	**B**	172,292	19,102	**191,394**	**176,949**
Net income for the year		(24,886)	-	**(24,886)**	**(52,720)**
Transfers between funds	**C**	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(24,886)	-	**(24,886)**	**(52,720)**
Reconciliation of funds:-	**E**				
Total funds brought forward		(12,566)	1,116,666	**1,104,100**	1,156,820
Total funds carried forward		(37,452)	1,116,666	**1,079,214**	**1,104,100**

All activities derive from continuing operations

SOFA – Prior Year

	Notes	Prior Year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Prior Year Restricted Funds 2023 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Income & Endowments from:				
Donations & Legacies	3	4,500	20,498	**24,998**
Other trading activities	4	5,499	-	**5,499**
Investments	5	92,486	-	**92,486**
Other	6	1,246	-	**1,246**
Total income	**A**	103,731	20,498	**124,229**
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	7	149,601	27,348	**176,949**
Total expenditure	**B**	149,601	27,348	**176,949**
Net income for the year		(45,870)	(6,850)	(52,720)
Transfers between funds	**C**	11,936	(11,936)	-
Net movement in funds		(33,934)	(18,786)	**(52,720)**
Reconciliation of funds:-	**E**			
Total funds brought forward		21,368	1,135,452	**1,156,820**
Total funds carried forward		(12,566)	1,116,666	**1,104,100**

All activities derive from continuing operations

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP - Resources applied in the year ended 31 March 2024 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-

	2024 £	2023 £
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	(24,886)	(52,720)
Resources applied on functional fixed assets	(2,839)	-
Other applications of funds	-	-
Net resources available to fund charitable activities	**(27,725)**	**(52,720)**

The resources applied on fixed assets for charity use represents the cost of additions less proceeds of any disposals.

Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 March 2024

Revenue accumulated funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Last year Total Funds 2023 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	(12,566)	-	(12,566)	**40,154**
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	(24,886)	-	(24,886)	(52,720)
	(37,452)	**-**	**(37,452)**	**(12,566)**
(From)/To unrestricted revenue funds	-	-	-	-
Closing revenue funds	**(37,452)**	**-**	**(37,452)**	**(12,566)**

Fixed asset funds	Designated Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Last year Total Funds 2023 £
At 1 April	-	1,116,666	1,116,666	1,116,666
At 31 March	**-**	**1,116,666**	**1,116,666**	**1,116,666**

Summary of funds	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Last Year Total Funds 2023 £
Revenue accumulated funds	(37,452)	-	**(37,452)**	(12,566)
Fixed asset funds	-	1,116,666	**1,116,666**	1,116,666
Total funds	**(37,452)**	**1,116,666**	**1,079,214**	**1,104,100**

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2024 as required by the Companies Act 2006

	2024 £	2023 £
Income		
Income from operations	48,583	30,497
Investment income and interest		
Income from investments, other than interest receivable	102,806	92,432
Interest receivable	11	54
Other operating income	15,108	1,246
Gross income in the year before exceptional items	**166,508**	**124,229**
Gross income in the year including exceptional items	**166,508**	**124,229**
Expenditure		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	139,674	123,374
Depreciation and amortisation	50,471	50,226
Governance costs	1,000	1,000
Interest payable	249	2,349
Realised losses on disposals of social investments which are programme related	-	-
Total expenditure in the year	**191,394**	**176,949**
Net income before tax in the financial year	**(24,886)**	**(52,720)**
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
Net income after tax in the financial year	**(24,886)**	**(52,720)**
Retained surplus for the financial year	**(24,886)**	**(52,720)**

All activities derive from continuing operations

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2024

	Notes	2024 £		2023 £	
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		1,090,712		1,138,344
Current assets					
Debtors	9	-		3,849	
Cash at bank and in hand	10	11,087		10,692	
Total current assets		11,087		14,541	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(22,585)		(25,933)	
Net current assets			(11,498)		(11,392)
Net assets			1,079,214		1,126,952
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	12		-		(22,852)
The total net assets of the charity			**1,079,214**		**1,104,100**
The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-					
Restricted funds					
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	12	1,116,666		1,116,666	
			1,116,666		1,116,666
Unrestricted Funds					
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	12	(37,452)		(12,566)	
			(37,452)		(12,566)
Designated Funds					
Total charity funds			**1,079,214**		**1,104,100**

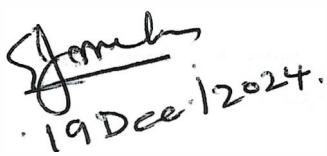
The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Chandrakant Mehta
Trustee
Approved by the board of trustees
Date:



BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2024

		2024	2023
		£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash provided by operating activities as shown below	**A**	(99,583)	(115,314)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received		11	54
Other investment income, including rents from investments		102,806	92,432
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(2,839)	-
Net cash provided by investing activities	**B**	**99,978**	**92,486**
Cash flows from financing activities			
Cash inflows from new borrowings		-	-
Net cash provided by financing activities	**C**	-	-
Overall cash provided by all activities	**A+B+C**	**395**	**(22,828)**
Cash movements			
Change in cash and cash equivalents from activities in the year ended 31 March 2024		395	(22,828)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2023		10,692	56,348
Cash at bank and in hand less overdrafts at 31 March		**11,087**	**33,520**

Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities

Net income as shown in the Statement of Financial Activities		(24,886)	(52,720)
Adjustments for :-			
Depreciation charges		50,471	50,226
Write downs of investments		-	-
Net unrealised losses on investment assets		-	-
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		(102,817)	(92,486)
Decrease in debtors		3,849	3,327
Increase in creditors, excluding loans		(26,200)	(23,661)
Net cash provided by operating activities	**A**	**(99,583)**	**(115,314)**

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities. Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a true and fair view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership meet the definition of public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party. It is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities in incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold property	- not depreciated
Long term leasehold property	- 100 years
Fixtures and Fittings	- 5 years
Office Equipment	- 7 years

1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.7 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening or similar account.

1.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipated it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle obligation. Where the effect of the time is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

2. Fund Accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3. Income from Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	**Current year Total Funds**	Prior Year Total Funds
	2024	2024	**2024**	2023
	£	£	**£**	£
Total donations and gifts from individuals	25,893	19,102	**44,995**	24,998

	Prior Year Unrestricted Funds	Prior Year Restricted Funds	**Prior Year Total Funds**
	2023	2023	**2023**
	£	£	**£**
Total donations and gifts from individuals	4,500	20,498	**24,998**

4. Income from Other Non-Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	**Current year Total Funds 2024 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Catering and other services income	3,588	-	**3,588**	5,499

5. Investment Income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	**Current year Total Funds 2024 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Property Rental Income	102,806	-	**102,806**	92,432
Bank Interest Receivable	11	-	**11**	54
Total investment income	102,817	-	**102,817**	92,486

6. Other Income and Gains

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	**Current year Total Funds 2024 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Sundry other income	15,108	-	**15,108**	1,246
Total other income	15,108	-	**15,108**	1,246

7. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	**Current year Total Funds 2024 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Gross wages and salaries -	35,890	-	**35,890**	33,618
Defined contribution pension costs	2,545	-	**2,545**	837
Ex staff payment	-	-	**-**	-
Training	75	-	**75**	500
Food bank project	-	18,912	**18,912**	16,498
Other projects - sewing grp, women grp	-	190	**190**	2,236
Taxes and Nis	3,765	-	**3,765**	-

Refunds	121	-	**121**	36
Provision for Bad Debts	19,195	-	**19,195**	10,482
Total direct spending	**61,591**	**19,102**	**80,693**	64,207

All the expenditure in the prior year was unrestricted.

Prior Year	**Prior Year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £**	**Prior Year Restricted Funds 2023 £**	**Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £**
Gross wages and salaries -	25,213	8,405	**33,618**
Defined contribution pension costs	628	209	**837**
Training	500	-	**500**
Food bank project	-	16,498	**16,498**
Other projects - sewing grp,	-	2,236	**2,236**
Refunds	36		**36**
Provision for Bad Debts	10,482	-	**10,482**
Total direct spending	**36,859**	**27,348**	**64,207**

Support costs for charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	**Current year Total Funds 2024 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Volunteer costs				
Volunteers' expenses	73	-	**73**	73
Premises Expenses				
Rates and water charges	2,096	-	**2,096**	-
Light heat and power	17,255	-	**17,255**	21,105
Cleaning and waste management	10,586	-	**10,586**	9,236
Premises repairs, renewals and	2,290	-	**2,290**	3,626
Fire and Security	968	-	**968**	-
Administrative overheads				
Telephone, fax and internet	4,452	-	**4,452**	3,192
Postage	-	-	**-**	68
Stationery and printing	79	-	**79**	137
Software licences and expenses	561	-	**561**	569
Health and safety costs	-	-	**-**	1,365
Business Insurance	2,412	-	**2,412**	6,906
Sundry expenses	-	-	**-**	547
Admin costs	1,435	-	**1,435**	1,612
IT Support cost	9,094	-	**9,094**	4,990

Professional fees paid to advisors other than the auditor or examiner				
Accountancy fees other than	3,292	-	**3,292**	3,747
Other legal and professional	3,882	-	**3,882**	-
Marketing and Publicity	257	-	**257**	1,752
Financial costs				
Bank charges	249	-	**249**	242
Loan interest	249	-	**249**	2,349
Depreciation & Amortisation in	50,471	-	**50,471**	50,226
Total support costs - Current Year	**109,701**	**-**	**109,701**	111,742

Other Expenditure - Governance costs

Current Year	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	**Current year Total Funds 2024 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Independent Examiner's fees	1,000	-	**1,000**	1,000
Total Governance costs	1,000	-	**1,000**	1,000

Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	**Current year Total Funds 2024 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Total direct spending	61,591	19,102	**80,693**	64,207
Total support costs	109,701	-	**109,701**	111,742
Total Governance costs	1,000	-	**1,000**	1,000
Total charitable expenditure	172,292	19,102	**191,394**	176,949

Prior Year	**Prior Year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £**	**Prior Year Restricted Funds 2023 £**	**Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £**
Total direct spending	36,859	27,348	**64,207**
Total support costs	111,742	-	**111,742**
Total Governance costs	1,000	-	**1,000**
Total charitable expenditure	149,601	27,348	**176,949**

Staff costs and emoluments

Salary costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Gross Salaries excluding trustees and key management personnel	35,890	33,618
Employer's operating costs of defined contribution pension schemes	2,545	837
Total salaries, wages and related costs	**38,435**	**34,455**

The average number of part time staff employed in the year was 4 4

Neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration from the charity or any related entity, either in the current or prior year.

There is no employee whose emoluments including taxable benefits exceeds £50,000.

8. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long Leasehold & Improvt to Property	Office Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2023	1,237,727	18,017	5,468	1,261,212
Additions	-	1,839	1,000	2,839
At 31 March 2024	**1,237,727**	**19,856**	**6,468**	**1,264,051**
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2023	99,739	17,661	5,468	122,868
Charge for the year	49,873	540	58	50,471
At 31 March 2024	**149,612**	**18,201**	**5,526**	**173,339**
Net book value				
At 31 March 2024	**1,088,115**	**1,655**	**942**	**1,090,712**
At 31 March 2023	**1,137,988**	**356**	**-**	**1,138,344**

8. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	29,677	14,331
Provisions for Doubtful Debts	(29,677)	(10,482)
	-	**3,849**

9.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
		£	£
	Trade creditors	17,951	13,468
	Deferred Income - Restricted funds	-	6,197
	PAYE,NIC	2,339	6,268
		22,585	**25,933**

10. Cash and Bank

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash in hand at for the year ended 31 March	11,087	10,692
Total cash and cash equivalents	**11,087**	**10,692**

11.	Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	2024	2023
		£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts	-	22,852

12. Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities

At 31 March 2024	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	(25,954)	1,116,666	**1,090,712**
Current Assets	11,087	-	**11,087**
Current Liabilities	(22,585)	-	**(22,585)**
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-
	(37,452)	**1,116,666**	**1,079,214**

At 1 April 2023	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	21,678	1,116,666	**1,138,344**
Current Assets	14,541	-	**14,541**
Current Liabilities	(25,933)	-	**(25,933)**
Long Term Liabilities	(22,852)	-	**(22,852)**
	(12,566)	**1,116,666**	**1,104,100**

13. There is no Related Party transaction to be disclosed for the year 2023/24 and preceding year 2022/23.

14. There is no post balance sheet event to be disclosed for the year 2023/24 and preceding year 2022/23.

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1091127

Accounts

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March, 2023

Company Registration Number: 04180668 (England and Wales)
Charity Number: 1091127

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Trustees Mrs E Ekpo Chair of the Board
Mr C Mehta
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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims.

As a not-for-profit organisation, the BMECP does not have shareholders to answer to, & the BMECP operations are not funded by the Social Investment Business (SIB) and Brighton and Hove City Council. However, the BMECP is answerable, and the Trustees are accountable to its membership.

As per the Memorandum of Association, the object of BMECP is to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the public in Brighton and Hove and the surrounding area for the benefit of Black and minority ethnic individuals and their families.

BMECP bought a shell property and borrowed £200,000 from SIB to improve the property. When rooms are booked or offices are hired at the BMECP centre, the monies are reinvested back into the centre to pay for operational costs and the general running of the centre.

Aims

Our overall aim is to raise enough revenue through its own business activities and project funding to make BMECP sustainable and able to fund projects, including training and events and to support to support BME community.

Objectives

- To promote equality of opportunity for Black and Minority Ethnic individuals and their families and to challenge and combat racism and all forms of discrimination.
- To support Black and Minority Ethnic Groups, individuals, and families by providing them with information, advice, and other assistance.
- To develop and maintain contacts with the statutory, voluntary, and private sector organisations with the aim of encouraging them to implement policies that will promote equality of opportunity and good relations between people of different ethnic origins.
- To deliver any services that are within the scope of the objects of BMECP.
- To promote or carry out research and to disseminate the useful results of such research and to publish or distribute such information.

- To establish, develop and maintain a resource centre catering particularly for, but not solely, the needs of black and ethnic peoples, including refugees and asylum seekers, who are residents in Brighton and Hove City.

ACTIVITIES

The organisation's charitable activities include:

BMECP Centre

The Centre has been in operation for more than 21 years and continues to thrive as a popular venue providing a welcoming, accessible, and affordable community space enjoyed by everyone.

We have several tenants renting our office spaces and other spaces/meeting rooms are rented for training and other community activities whilst we continue to encourage the introduction of clients to the centre. Whilst office rental does generate more steady income for the Centre, the other available spaces being rented for meetings/training has meant that we have more available space for meetings/training for the benefit of everyone.

We have a diverse beneficiary group thereby continuing to serve the community. Community members and groups are encouraged to support the Centre to ensure that the rooms and offices are used and that the Centre generates enough income to be self-sustaining which is very important for the going concern of the organisation.

BMECP has also advertised a hot desking facility that enables smaller groups, organisations, and individuals to use the Centre facilities including the Centre address for their group or business. This also enables them to use the available desks as and when they require a private space on a rota basis. Members are offered a discount on room booking. This is an opportunity for co-working and networking with other like-minded people with regular seminars and workshops, included in the hot desking package.

Gift Aid Registration

On the 30th of May 2018, BMECP was recognised by HMRC as a charity for tax purposes under the Gift Aid scheme. This now means that BMECP can make claims for repayment of tax on individual donations to the centre under the Gift Aid Scheme within 4 years of its accounting period of the receipt of the donation.

Gift Aid Donation.

In addition, BMECP is eligible to claim a top-up payment worth 25% of every Pound, even if we don't have a Gift Aid declaration from the donor when there was a verbal confirmation from the donor. Gift Aid donations will give the BMECP another income stream and will improve the cash flow, which in turn BMECP will use the much-needed cash to promote and carry out its charitable projective, which is the essence of her existence.

Improved BMECP Website

Our website acts as the eye of BMECP to the public. Visitors can see what our mission,

Aims and objectives.

- BMECP has been using the website to fundraise including gift aid donations. We made sure our website has the right content and we have attracted a lot of new visitors (traffic

has increased), our supporters and other donors to market our organisation and raise funds for our social and charitable projects.

- Our main aim is to encourage our supporters, as well as the public to visit our website so that they can see what we do and at the same encourage them to donate funds to the charity.
- Our aim is to leverage the platform to connect with people in Brighton and the surrounding areas.
- Among the improvements, is to make the website user-friendly and to provide a compelling user experience regardless of the device's screen size used to access it.
- Included the statement of cookie consent and made it clear in terms of GDPR compliance.

Using Facebook for Fundraising & Marketing

Our Facebook page continues to attract more followers and improved engagement with the users. We have made sure our Facebook page has the right content, profile page photos and videos. We also utilise all the suites of tools and services offered by Facebook. Our Facebook has been clearly categorised us Non-Profit and utilised services such as Fundraisers, events, page insights, donations and so forth. We will continue to take advantage of Facebook Tools and services such as Fundraiser and Donate Button to raise cash through Gift Aid & other donations. With improved engagement and growing number of followers, BMECP will work on strategies that will help in converting some of the followers into members and critical friends of BMECP. We will also try to use tools such as Events to assist us organise supporters to participate in the activities.
We can utilise tools such as Live for Live Fundraising Streams and place free advertisement space for charities. Furthermore, using the Fundraiser tool, we can use the ability for other people to fundraise on our behalf for our various causes.

Measuring Social Impact

BMECP currently measure or record the number of people visiting the centre and record of bookings or hiring our rooms for training and other purposes for board decisions. BMECP wants to move away from just recording traffic into the centre but into Measuring and Demonstrating Social Impact. We want to measure the quality of our services such as the experience of our service users. As a result, we are planning to start capturing data through qualitative means such as surveys and questionnaires. We will always ask the user of our services to complete the questionnaire or survey forms.

Organ Donor Project

This project was funded by NHS England. The goal was to sensitise the BME community to the importance of organ donation and make them more willing to take part.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

There was a deficit for the period of £52,720 (2023): surplus £6,278 (2022) and unusable reserves of £1,116,666 (2023): £1,135,452 (2022). The unusable reserve holds the charity assets that are used to generate the funds to run the centre. Of the £52,270 deficit, (£6,850) restricted and must be used as specified by the donors.

The reduction in income generated and reserves was due to nation-wide lockdown of activities following the outbreak of COVID-19. BMECP had anticipated a quick return to normalcy however unfortunately the bounce back has been slow and challenging. BMECP has since and is still tweaking the financial sustainability strategies to reflect the realities to mitigate the slow bounce back.

Reserves policy

BMECP's Trustees recognise the importance of having income available to be spent at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the charity's objects, but which is not yet spent, committed, or designated.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

As per the Governing document, the Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 15 March 2001 and received charitable status on 14 March 2002. Its governing document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 15 March 2001 as amended 30 March 2001 and 3 September 2002.

The Trustees must hold at least 3 meetings each year and the quorum is 4.

CHANGES TO THE ECONOMIC CLIMATE AND ONGOING CHALLENGES TO BMECP

Since the economy opened there has been a lingering impact of COVID-19 that is still affecting the pace of room hiring at BMECP. We are still not at full capacity in terms of room usage and occupancy because some businesses were not fully back which by extension is affecting BMECP usage. Project funding was also a challenge to access due to the slow bounce back from the pandemic and the ongoing geopolitics challenges.

ENERGY CRISIS

BMECP has also had to cope with high energy bills during the calendar year and this has become an existential threat to the workings of BMECP. Energy costs increased by over 200% in the 12-24 months due to the war in Ukraine, which has caused a lot of supply chain problems. The organisation is making the necessary efficiency savings to cope with the surge in energy costs.

FOOD BANK REVIEW

The foodbank of BMECP started in May 2020 and the average number of families served is one hundred and twenty (120) per week. BMECP considers the Food bank provision as a natural extension of what it does to support the BME community within Brighton and Hove. Since we started the project during the Covid Pandemic; the number of beneficiaries increased exponentially to a point where the funding could not sustain the growth. By Christmas of 2022; BMECP had to make a painful decision of scaling down the numbers to fit the budget envelope. The scaling to only target families with children as well as the elderly. While there are several Food Banks in Brighton and Hove; BMECP compliments them but more importantly plugs the gap in the provision of cultural foods that are required by mostly BME communities in the city. The average now served on a weekly basis is about 90 families.

RISKS

Over the course of the financial year, a member of staff and two trustees resigned, and this constituted a risk to the works of BMECP as this has implications on the people required for the

organisation to operate at an optimum level. BMECP recognises this high rate of staff turnover, and it is continuing to work and implement strategies to mitigate it.

Due to high inflation in the last 12-24 months, BMECP's costs especially Gas and electricity, labour, repairs, insurance, and maintenance, have increased at a rate far much more than the income.

The biggest risk to BMECP currently is the going concern. As of 31st March 2023, BMEC made a net deficit of £57k, which is 50% of BMECP revenue.

The board that is going to be elected on the 10th of November 2023, should BMECP's financial position & decide whether BMECP will continue to operate economically, effectively & efficiently into the foreseeable future.

The new board's main objective is to come up with a business strategic and recovery plan to increase BMECP's revenue and reduce operational costs.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the excess of income over expenditure for that period.

In preparing this financial statement, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 as amended. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charitable company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO EXAMINER

The trustees who held office at the date of approval of this trustees' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant information of which the Charity's examiner is unaware; and each trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a trustee to make himself / herself aware of any relevant information and to establish that the Charity's examiner is aware of that information.

EXAMINER

In line with the provision exemption in the Charities Act 2011 as amended, the trust have decided to continue with the services of Mr Adekunle Fawunmi FCCA, of Fabek Associates & Co Ltd as the charity's independent examiner.

Mrs Esther Ekpo
Chair of the Trustees
Date: 06/11/2023

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP (BMECP)

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on Pages 12 to 24

We have examined the financial statements of the Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership (the charity) for the year ended 31 March, 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies, the financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation, its applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March, 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with the examination, I have reviewed the books of BMECP and can conclude that except for the going concern that is under threat, no matter has come to our attention.

(1) Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act as amended.

Have not been met; or

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

Going Concern

BMECP has overdrawn their unrestricted account and therefore concerned about BMECP's cashflow and the trustees must act to improve this otherwise, BMECP going concern is under threat.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our examination of the accounts has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees, as a body, for the independent examination work, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed this 06 Day of Nov - 2023

Adekunle Fawunmi
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Certified Chartered Accountants
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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2023 £	Current year Total Funds 2023 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2022 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	3	4,500	20,498	**24,998**	63,453
Other trading activities	4	5,499	-	**5,499**	1,390
Investments	5	92,486	-	**92,486**	73,235
Total income	**A**	**103,731**	**20,498**	**124,229**	**138,078**
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	149,601	27,348	**176,949**	131,800
Total expenditure	**B**	**149,601**	**27,348**	**176,949**	**131,800**
Net income for the year		**(45,870)**	**(6,850)**	**(52,720)**	**6,278**
Transfers between funds	**C**	11,936	(11,936)	**-**	-
Net income after transfers	**A-B-C**	**(33,934)**	**(18,786)**	**(52,720)**	**6,278**
Net movement in funds		**(33,934)**	**(18,786)**	**(52,720)**	**6,278**
Reconciliation of funds:-	**E**				
Total funds brought forward		21,368	1,135,452	**1,156,820**	1,153,542
Total funds carried forward		**(12,566)**	**1,116,666**	**1,104,100**	**1,159,820**

All activities derive from continuing operations

SOFA – Prior Year

	Notes	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Total Funds 2022 £
Income & Endowments from:				
Donations & Legacies	3	18,928	44,525	**63,453**
Other trading activities	4	1,390	-	**1,390**
Investments	5	73,235	-	**73,235**
Total income	**A**	**93,553**	**44,525**	**138,078**
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	6	92,043	39,757	**131,800**
Total expenditure	**B**	**92,043**	**39,757**	**131,800**
Net income for the year		**1,510**	**4,768**	**6,278**
Transfers between funds	**C**	-	(3,000)	**(3,000)**
Net income after transfers	**A-B-C**	**1,510**	**1,768**	**3,278**
Net movement in funds		**1,510**	**1,768**	**3,278**
Reconciliation of funds:-	**E**			
Total funds brought forward		19,858	1,133,684	**1,153,542**
Total funds carried forward		**21,368**	**1,135,452**	**1,156,820**

All activities derive from continuing operations

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP - Resources applied in the year ended 31 March 2023 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-

	2023 £	2022 £
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	(52,720)	6,278
Resources applied on functional fixed assets	-	(2,093)
Net resources available to fund charitable activities	**(52,720)**	**4,185**

The resources applied on fixed assets for charity use represents the cost of additions less proceeds of any disposals.

Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 March 2023

Revenue accumulated funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Last year Total Funds 2022 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	21,368	18,786	40,154	**48,936**
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	(45,870)	(6,850)	(52,720)	6,278
	(24,502)	**11,936**	**(12,566)**	**55,214**
(From)/To unrestricted revenue funds	11,936	(11,936)	-	(15,060)
Closing revenue funds	**(12,566)**	**-**	**(12,566)**	**40,154**

Fixed asset funds	Designated Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Last year Total Funds 2022 £
At 1 April	-	1,116,666	1,116,666	1,104,606
Transfer (to)/from revenue funds	-	-	-	12,060
At 31 March	**-**	**1,116,666**	**1,116,666**	**1,116,666**

Summary of funds	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Last Year Total Funds 2022 £
Revenue accumulated funds	(12,566)	-	**(12,566)**	40,154
Fixed asset funds	-	1,116,666	**1,116,666**	1,116,666
Total funds	**(12,566)**	**1,116,666**	**1,104,100**	**1,156,820**

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2023 as required by the Companies Act 2006

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income		
Income from operations	30,497	64,843
Investment income and interest		
Income from investments, other than interest receivable	92,432	73,231
Interest receivable	54	4
Gross income in the year before exceptional items	**124,229**	**138,078**
Gross income in the year including exceptional items	**124,229**	**138,078**
Expenditure		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	123,374	112,252
Depreciation and amortisation	50,226	14,192
Governance costs	1,000	1,271
Interest payable	2,349	4,085
Realised losses on disposals of social investments which are programme relat	-	-
Total expenditure in the year	**176,949**	**131,800**
Net income before tax in the financial year	**(52,720)**	**6,278**
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
Net income after tax in the financial year	**(52,720)**	**6,278**
Retained surplus for the financial year	**(52,720)**	**6,278**

All activities derive from continuing operations

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2023

	Notes		2023 £		2022 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		1,138,700		1,188,926
Current assets					
Debtors	8	3,493		6,820	
Cash at bank and in hand	9	10,692		33,520	
Total current assets		14,185		40,340	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(25,933)		(16,943)	
Net current assets			(11,748)		23,397
Net assets			1,126,952		1,212,323
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	11		(22,852)		(55,503)
The total net assets of the charity			**1,104,100**		**1,156,820**
The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-					
Restricted funds					
Restricted Revenue Funds	12	-		18,786	
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	12	1,116,666		1,116,666	
			1,116,666		1,135,452
Unrestricted Funds					
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	12	(12,566)		21,368	
			(12,566)		21,368
Designated Funds					
Total charity funds			**1,104,100**		**1,156,820**

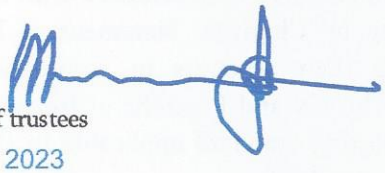
The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Patrick Chilufya
Trustee
Approved by the board of trustees
Date: 06 November 2023



1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities. Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a true and fair view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership meet the definition of public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party. It is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities in incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold property	- not depreciated
Long term leasehold property	- 100 years
Fixtures and Fittings	- 5 years
Office Equipment	- 7 years

1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.7 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening or similar account.

1.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipated it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle obligation. Where the effect of the time is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

2. Fund Accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3. Income from Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2023 £	**Current year Total Funds 2023 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2022 £
Donations, Grants and gifts from individuals				
Donations and Legacies	18,928	-	**18,928**	55,290
Grants	-	44,525	**44,525**	49,905
Total donations and gifts from individuals	4,500	20,498	**24,998**	63,453

4. Income from Other Non-Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2023 £	**Current year Total Funds 2023 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2022 £
Catering and other services income	5,499	-	**5,499**	1,390
Total from other activities	5,499	-	**5,499**	1,390

5. Investment Income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2023 £	**Current year Total Funds 2023 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2022 £
Property Rental Income	92,432	-	**92,432**	73,231
Bank Interest Receivable	54	-	**54**	4
Total investment income	92,486	-	**92,486**	73,235

6. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2023 £	**Current year Total Funds 2023 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2022 £
Gross wages and salaries - charitable	25,213	8,405	**33,618**	40,536
Marketing and advertising of charitable	-	-	**-**	1,986
Training	500	-	**500**	686
Food bank project	-	16,498	**16,498**	27,705
Other projects - sewing grp, women	-	2,236	**2,236**	5,866
Bad debts written out	-	-	**-**	168
Refunds	36	-	**36**	686
Total direct spending	**36,859**	**27,348**	**64,207**	77,633
Volunteer costs				
Volunteers' expenses	73	-	**73**	939
Premises Expenses				
Light heat and power	21,105	-	**21,105**	7,087
Cleaning and waste management	9,236	-	**9,236**	7,750
Premises repairs, renewals and	3,626	-	**3,626**	2,043

Support costs for charitable activities

Administrative overheads				
Telephone, fax and internet	3,192	-	**3,192**	2,359
Postage	68	-	**68**	-
Stationery and printing	137	-	**137**	849
Hire of equipment	-	-	**-**	1,120
Software licences and expenses	569	-	**569**	589
Health and safety costs	1,365	-	**1,365**	1,823
Business Insurance	6,906	-	**6,906**	5,734
Sundry expenses	547	-	**547**	98
Admin costs	1,612	-	**1,612**	890
IT Support cost	4,990	-	**4,990**	-
Professional fees paid to advisors other than the auditor or examiner				
Accountancy fees other than	3,747	-	**3,747**	2,838
Consultancy fees	-	-	**-**	500
Marketing and Publicity	1,752	-	**1,752**	-
Financial costs				
Bank charges	242	-	**242**	-
Loan interest	2,349	-	**2,349**	4,085
Depreciation & Amortisation in total	50,226	-	**50,226**	14,192
Support costs before reallocation	**111,742**	**-**	**111,742**	52,896
Total support costs - Current Year	**111,742**	**-**	**111,742**	52,896
				-

Other Expenditure - Governance costs

Current Year	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2023 £	**Current year Total Funds 2023 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2022 £
Independent Examiner's fees	1,000	-	**1,000**	1,000
Trustees' expenses	-	-	**-**	271
Total Governance costs	1,000	-	**1,000**	1,271

Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2023 £	**Current year Total Funds 2023 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2022 £
Total direct spending	36,859	27,348	**64,207**	77,633
Total support costs	111,742	-	**111,742**	52,896
Total Governance costs	1,000	-	**1,000**	1,271
Total charitable expenditure	149,601	27,348	**176,949**	131,800

Staff costs and emoluments

Salary costs	2023	2022
	£	£
Gross Salaries excluding trustees and key management personnel	33,618	40,536
Employer's operating costs of defined contribution pension schemes	837	-
Total salaries, wages and related costs	**34,455**	**40,536**

The average number of part time staff employed in the year was 4 4

Neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration from the charity or any related entity, either in the current or prior year.

There is no employee whose emoluments including taxable benefits exceeds £50,000.

7. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long Leasehold & Improvt to Property	Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2022	1,237,727	5,468	1,261,212
At 31 March 2023	**1,237,727**	**5,468**	**1,261,212**
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2022	49,869	5,468	72,286
Charge for the year	49,870	-	50,226
At 31 March 2023	**99,739**	**5,468**	**122,512**
Net book value			
At 31 March 2023	**1,137,988**	**-**	**1,138,700**
At 31 March 2022	**1,187,858**	**-**	**1,188,926**

8. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	13,975	6,820
Provisions for Doubtful Debts	(10,482)	-
	3,493	**6,820**

9. Cash and Bank

Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash in hand at for the year ended 31 March 2023	10,692	33,520
Total cash and cash equivalents	**10,692**	**33,520**

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	13,468	2,158
Deferred Income - Restricted funds	6,197	5,786
Other creditors	6,268	8,999
	25,933	**16,943**

11. Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	**22,852**	**55,503**

12. Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities

At 31 March 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	22,034	1,116,666	**1,138,700**
Current Assets	14,185	-	**14,185**
Current Liabilities	(25,933)	-	**(25,933)**
Long Term Liabilities	(22,852)	-	**(22,852)**
	(12,566)	**1,116,666**	**1,104,100**

At 1 April 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	72,260	1,116,666	**1,188,926**
Current Assets	21,554	18,786	**40,340**
Current Liabilities	(16,943)	-	**(16,943)**
Long Term Liabilities	(55,503)	-	**(55,503)**
	21,368	**1,135,452**	**1,156,820**

13. There is no Related Party transaction to be disclosed for the year 2022/23 and preceding year 2021/22.

14. There is no post balance sheet event to be disclosed for the year 2022/23 and preceding year 2021/22.

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1091127

Accounts

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March, 2022

Company Registration Number: 04180668 (England and Wales)
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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2022

Trustees

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Mr C Mehta
Dr C N Njue Resigned 30/12/2021
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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2022

The Trustees who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

As a not-for-profit organisation the BMECP do not have shareholders to answer to, the BMECP operations are not funded by the Social Investment Business and Brighton and Hove City Council. BMECP bought a shell property and borrowed £200,000 from SIB to improve the property. When rooms are booked or offices are hired at the BMECP centre, the monies are reinvested back into the centre to pay for operational cost and the general running of the centre.

Our overall aim is to raise enough revenue to make BMECP sustainable and able to fund its own in-house projects, including training and events and to support to support BME community.

b) Objectives

- To promote equality of opportunity for Black and Minority Ethnic individuals and their families and to challenge and combat racism and all forms of discrimination.
- To support Black and Minority Ethnic Groups, individuals and families by providing them with information, advice and other assistance.
- To develop and maintain contacts with the statutory, voluntary and private sectors organisations with the aim of encouraging them to implement policies which will promote equality of opportunity and good relations between people of different ethnic origins.
- To deliver any services which are within the scope of the objects of BMECP.
- To promote or carry out research and to disseminate the useful results of such research and to publish or distribute such information.
- To establish, develop and maintain a resource centre catering particularly for, but not solely, the needs of black and ethnic peoples, including refugees and asylum seekers, who are resident in Brighton and Hove City.

ACTIVITIES

The organisation's charitable activities include:

1. BMECP Centre

The Centre has been in operation for more than 21 years and continues to thrive as a popular venue providing a welcoming, accessible, and affordable community space enjoyed by everyone.

We have several tenants renting our office spaces and other spaces/meeting rooms are rented for training and other community activities whilst we continue to encourage the introduction of clients to the centre. Whilst office rental do generate more steady income for the Centre, the other available spaces being rented for meetings/training has meant that we have more available space for meetings/training for the benefit of everyone.

We have a diverse customer base thereby continuing to serve the community. Community members and groups are encouraged to support the Centre so as to ensure that the rooms and offices are used and that the Centre generates enough income to be self-sustaining which is very important for the going-concern of the organisation. BMECP has also advertised hot desking facility that enables smaller groups, organisations and individuals to use the Centre facilities including the Centre address for their group or business. This also enables them to use the available desks as and when they require a private space on a rota basis. Members are offered a discount on room booking. This is an opportunity for co-working and networking with other like-minded people with regular seminars and workshops, included in the hot desking package.

Gift Aid Registration

- On the 30th of May 2018, BMECP was recognised by HMRC as charity for tax purposes under the Gift Aid scheme.
- This now means that BMECP can make claims for repayment of tax on individual donations to the centre under the Gift Aid Scheme within 4 years of its accounting period of the receipt of the Gift Aid Donation.
- In addition, BMECP is eligible to claim a top-up payment worth 25% of every Pound, even if we don't have a Gift Aid declaration from the donor when there was a verbal confirmation from the donor.
- Gift Aid donations will give the BMECP another income stream & will improve the cashflow, & in turn BMECP will use the much-needed cash to promote charitable projective, which is the essence of her existence. Patrick Chilufya & Adeola Ojeniyi are the authorised BMECP's authorised officials with HMRC.

New BMECP Website

Our website acts as the eye of BMECP to the public. Visitors are able to see what our mission, aims and objectives.

- We have been using the website to fundraise including gift aid donations. -We made sure our website has the right content and we have attracted a lot of new visitors (traffic has increased), our supporters and other donors to market our organisation and raise funds for our social and charitable projects.
- Our main aim is to encourage our supporters, as well as the public to visit our website so that they can see what we do and at the same encourage them to donate funds to the charity.
- Our aim is to leverage the platform to connect with people in Brighton & surrounding areas.

Using Facebook for Fundraising & Marketing

- Our new Facebook Page is linked to our website.
- We have made sure our Facebook page has the right content, profile page photos and videos. We also utilise all the suites of tools and services offered by Facebook.
- Our Facebook has been clearly categorised us Non-Profit and utilised services such as Fundraisers, events, page insights, donations and so forth.
- We will continue to take advantage of Facebook Tools and services such as Fundraiser & Donate Button to raise cash through Gift Aid & other donations.

- We also want our Facebook Page to attract as many visitors as possible & also to like or follow us.
- We will also try to use tools such as Events to assist us organise supporters to participate in the activities.
- We can utilise tools such as Live for Live Fundraising Streams & also place free advertisement space for charities.
- Furthermore, using the Fundraiser tool, we can use the ability for other people to fundraise on our behalf for our various causes.

Measuring Social Impact

- BMECP currently measure or record the number of people visiting the centre and record of bookings or hiring our rooms for training and other purposes for board decisions.
- BMECP wants to move away from just recording traffic into the centre but into Measuring and Demonstrating Social Impact.
- We want to measure the quality of our services such as the experience of our service users
- As a result, we are planning to start capturing data through quality surveys. We will always ask the user of our services to complete the questionnaire or survey forms.

Organ Donor Project

-This project was funded by NHS England.
- Public benefit in shaping our objectives and planning our activities for the year & the Trustees have given consideration to the duties set out in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit. In particular, the Trustees have considered how the planned activities will contribute to the overall aims and objectives that they have set. The Trustees believe that the following paragraphs under "Objectives, Aims and Activities/Projects" for the year, relate in detail the benefit that the charity provides to the public.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

There was a surplus for the period of £6,278 (2021: surplus £28,199). The unusable reserves balance for the year was £1,116,666 (2021: £1,104,606). The unusable reserve holds the charity assets that are used to generate the funds to run the centre. Of the £6,278 surplus for the year under review, £1,768 is restricted and must be used as specified by the donors. General unrestricted and restricted reserves now stand at £21,368 (2021: £19,858) and £18,786 (2021: £29,078). The reduction in income generated and reserves was due to nation-wide lockdown of activities following the outbreak of COVID-19. The centre has now bounced back and the indices have shown that the reserve is on its way up.

Reserves policy

- BMECP's Trustees recognise the importance of having income available to be spent at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the charity's objects, but which is not yet spent, committed or designated.
- BMECP's Trustees aim to develop and maintain unrestricted reserves equal to the value of 3 months running costs. The use of restricted funds in the development of unrestricted reserves is prohibited

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 15 March 2001 and received charitable status on 14 March 2002. Its governing document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 15 March 2001 as amended 30 March2001 and 3 September 2002. The Trustees when complete shall consist of at least 8 and not more than 18 individuals of whom:

(i) not more than 12 shall be elected by the members of Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership in general meeting; and
(ii) not more than 6 shall be appointed at a duly convened meeting of the trustees by the trustees elected under (i) above. One third (or the number nearest one third) of the Trustees elected under (i) above must retire at each subsequent AGM, those longest in office retiring first. Where a choice must be made between any of equal service, the number of votes which each received when last elected office shall determine the issue so that those who received less votes shall retire first. A Trustee retiring under this Article may not stand for re-election before the AGM following the AGM at which he or she retires.
The Trustees must hold at least 3 meetings each year and the quorum is 4.

CHANGES TO THE ECONOMIC CLIMATE AND ONGOING CHALLENGES TO BMECP

Since the economy opened up there are lingering impact of COVID-19 that is still affect the pace of room hiring at BMECP. We are still not at full capacity in terms of room usage and occupancy because some businesses were not fully back which by extension is affecting BMECP usage.

ENERGY CRISIS

BMECP have also had to cope with high energy bills during the calendar year and this has become an existential threat to the workings of BMECP. The organisation is making the necessary efficiency savings to cope with the surge in energy cost.

FOOD BANK REVIEW

The foodbank of BMECP started in May, 2020 and average number of families served is one hundred and twenty (120) per week. But over the course of financial year, the Foodbank had to stop temporarily because the programme ran out of funding and BMECP was not able to reach her targets. Towards the end of the financial year and with support of several organisations, the food bank restarted though not currently at the same capacity as it was at the start. The average now served on weekly basis is about 90 families.

RISKS

Over the course of the financial year, a member of staff resigned and had taken BMECP to an employment tribunal and this constitute a risk to the works of BMECP and we will update these changes on our future report

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the excess of income over expenditure for that period.

In preparing this financial statement, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 as amended. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charitable company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO EXAMINER

The trustees who held office at the date of approval of this trustees' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant information of which the Charity's examiner is unaware; and each trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a trustee to make himself / herself aware of any relevant information and to establish that the Charity's examiner is aware of that information.

EXAMINER

In line with the provision exemption in the Charities Act 2011 as amended, the trust have decided to continue with the services of Mr Adekunle Fawunmi FCCA, of Fabek Associates & Co Ltd as the charity's independent examiner.

Mrs Esther Ekpo
Chair of the Trustees
Date: 18th October 2022

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP (BMECP)

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March, 2022, which are set out on Pages 11 to 23.

We have examined the financial statements of the Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership (the charity) for the year ended 31 March, 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies, the financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation, its applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March, 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act as amended.

Have not been met; or

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our examination of the accounts has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees, as a body, for the independent examination work, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed this 18th *Day of* Oct. *2022*

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BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2022

	Notes	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Total Funds 2022 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	3	18,928	44,525	**63,453**	105,195
Other trading activities	4	1,390	-	**1,390**	2,374
Investments	5	73,235	-	**73,235**	29,180
Total income	**A**	**93,553**	**44,525**	**138,078**	**136,749**
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	92,043	39,757	**131,800**	108,550
Total expenditure	**B**	**92,043**	**39,757**	**131,800**	**108,550**
Net income for the year		**1,510**	**4,768**	**6,278**	**28,199**
Transfers between funds	**C**	-	(3,000)	**(3,000)**	-
Net income after transfers	**A-B-C**	**1,510**	**1,768**	**3,278**	**28,199**
Net movement in funds		**1,510**	**1,768**	**3,278**	**28,199**
Reconciliation of funds:-	**E**				
Total funds brought forward		19,858	1,133,684	**1,153,542**	1,125,343
Total funds carried forward		**21,368**	**1,135,452**	**1,156,820**	**1,153,542**

All activities derive from continuing operations

SOFA – Prior Year

		Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £
Income & Endowments from:				
Donations & Legacies		55,290	49,905	**105,195**
Charitable activities		29,175	-	**29,175**
Other trading activities		38	-	**38**
Investments		5	-	**5**
Other		2,336	-	**2,336**
Total income	A	**86,844**	**49,905**	**136,749**
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		84,304	20,827	**105,131**
Other		3,419	-	**3,419**
Total expenditure	B	**87,723**	**20,827**	**108,550**
Net income for the year		**(879)**	**29,078**	**28,199**
Net income after transfers	A-B-C	**(879)**	**29,078**	**28,199**
Net movement in funds		**(879)**	**29,078**	**28,199**
Reconciliation of funds:-	E			
Total funds brought forward		111,323	1,014,020	**1,125,343**
Total funds carried forward		**110,444**	**1,043,098**	**1,153,542**

All activities derive from continuing operations

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP - Resources applied in the year ended 31 March 2022 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-

	2022 £	2021 £
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	3,278	28,199
Resources applied on functional fixed assets	(2,093)	-
Other applications of funds	-	-
Net resources available to fund charitable activities	**1,185**	**28,199**

Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 March 2022

Revenue accumulated funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Last year Total Funds 2021 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	19,858	29,078	48,936	90,343
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	1,510	4,768	6,278	28,199
	21,368	**33,846**	**55,214**	**118,542**
(From)/To unrestricted revenue funds	-	(15,060)	(15,060)	(69,606)
Closing revenue funds	**21,368**	**18,786**	**40,154**	**48,936**

Fixed asset funds	Designated Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Last year Total Funds 2021 £
At 1 April	-	1,104,606	1,104,606	1,035,000
Transfer (to)/from revenue funds	-	12,060	12,060	69,606
At 31 March	**-**	**1,116,666**	**1,116,666**	**1,104,606**

Summary of funds	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Last Year Total Funds 2021 £
Revenue accumulated funds	21,368	18,786	**40,154**	48,936
Fixed asset funds	-	1,116,666	**1,116,666**	1,104,606
Total funds	**21,368**	**1,135,452**	**1,156,820**	**1,153,542**

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2022 as required by the Companies Act 2006

	2022 £	2021 £
Income		
Income from operations	64,843	107,569
Investment income and interest	73,231	29,175
Income from investments, other than interest receivable	4	5
Interest receivable		
Gross income in the year before exceptional items	**138,078**	**136,749**
Expenditure		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	112,252	88,909
Depreciation and amortisation	14,192	12,553
Governance costs	1,271	1,136
Interest payable	4,085	5,952
Total expenditure in the year	**131,800**	**108,550**
Net income before tax in the financial year	**6,278**	**28,199**
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
Net income after tax in the financial year	**6,278**	**28,199**
Retained surplus for the financial year	**6,278**	**28,199**

All activities derive from continuing operations

BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2022

	Notes	2022 £		2021 £	
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		1,188,926		1,201,025
Current assets					
Debtors	8	6,820		16,010	
Cash at bank and in hand	9	33,520		47,979	
Total current assets		40,340		63,989	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(16,943)		(21,494)	
Net current assets			23,397		42,495
			1,212,323		1,243,520
Net assets					
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	11		(55,503)		(89,978)
The total net assets of the charity			**1,156,820**		**1,153,542**
The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-					
Restricted funds					
Restricted Revenue Funds	12	18,786		29,078	
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	12	1,116,666		1,104,606	
			1,135,452		1,133,684
Unrestricted Funds					
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	12	21,368		19,858	
			21,368		19,858
Designated Funds					
Total charity funds			**1,156,820**		**1,153,542**

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Patrick Chilufya
Trustee
Approved by the board of trustees on Friday, 14th October 2022

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities. Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a true and fair view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership meet the definition of public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties regarding the charity's ability to continue. Therefore, the accounts are prepared on a going concern basis.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party. It is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis

consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities in incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold property	- not depreciated
Long term leasehold property	- 100 years
Fixtures and Fittings	- 5 years
Office Equipment	- 7 years

1.7 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.8 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening or similar account.

1.9 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipated it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle obligation. Where the effect of the time is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

2.0 Fund Accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3.0 Income from Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	**Current year Total Funds 2022 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Donations, Grants and gifts from individuals				
Total donations and gifts from individuals	18,928	44,525	**63,453**	105,195

4.0 Income from Other Non-Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	**Current year Total Funds 2022 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Catering and other services income	1,390	-	**1,390**	2,374
Total from other activities	1,390	-	**1,390**	2,374

5.0 Investment Income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	**Current year Total Funds 2022 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Property Rental Income	73,231	-	**73,231**	29,175
Bank Interest Receivable	4	-	**4**	5
Total investment income	73,235	-	**73,235**	29,180

6. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	**Current year Total Funds 2022 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Gross wages and salaries - charitable	36,336	4,200	**40,536**	43,186
Marketing and advertising of charitable	-	1,986	**1,986**	937
Training	686	-	**686**	10
Food bank project	-	27,705	**27,705**	17,270
Other projects	-	5,866	**5,866**	1,543
Bad debts written out	168	-	**168**	3,419
Refunds	686	-	**686**	-
Total direct spending	**37,876**	**39,757**	**77,633**	66,365

Support costs for charitable activities

Volunteer costs				
Volunteers' expenses	939	-	**939**	650

Premises Expenses				
Light heat and power	7,087	-	**7,087**	5,973
Cleaning and waste management	7,750	-	**7,750**	3,474
Premises repairs, renewals and	2,043	-	**2,043**	860
Administrative overheads				
Telephone, fax and internet	2,359	-	**2,359**	1,705
Stationery and printing	849	-	**849**	150
Hire of equipment	1,120	-	**1,120**	1,710
Software licences and expenses	589	-	**589**	525
Health and safety costs	1,823	-	**1,823**	-
Liabilty and contents insurance	5,734	-	**5,734**	2,079
Sundry expenses	98	-	**98**	121
Admin costs	890	-	**890**	892
Professional fees paid to advisors other than the auditor or examiner				
Accountancy fees other than	2,838	-	**2,838**	2,499
Consultancy fees	500	-	**500**	1,894
Financial costs				
Bank charges	-	-	**-**	12
Loan interest	4,085	-	**4,085**	5,952
Depreciation & Amortisation in total	14,192	-	**14,192**	12,553
Total support costs - Current Year	**52,896**	-	**52,896**	41,049
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Other Expenditure - Governance costs

Current Year	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	**Current year Total Funds 2022 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Independent Examiner's fees	1,000	-	**1,000**	1,000
Trustees' expenses	271	-	**271**	136
Total Governance costs	1,271	-	**1,271**	1,136

Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	**Current year Total Funds 2022 £**	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Total direct spending	37,876	39,757	**77,633**	66,365
Total support costs	52,896	-	**52,896**	41,049
Total Governance costs	1,271	-	**1,271**	1,136
Total charitable expenditure	92,043	39,757	**131,800**	108,550

Staff costs and emoluments

Salary costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Gross Salaries excluding trustees and key management personnel	40,536	43,186
Total salaries, wages and related costs	**40,536**	**43,186**

The average number of part time staff employed in the year was 4.1 4

Neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration from the charity or any related entity, either in the current or prior year.

There is no employee whose emoluments including taxable benefits exceeds £50,000.

7. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long Leasehold & Improvt to	Office Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2021	1,237,727	15,924	5,468	1,259,119
Additions	-	2,093	-	2,093
At 31 March 2022	**1,237,727**	**18,017**	**5,468**	**1,261,212**
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2021	37,479	15,147	5,468	58,094
Charge for the year	12,390	1,802	-	14,192
At 31 March 2022	**49,869**	**16,949**	**5,468**	**72,286**
Net book value				
At 31 March 2022	**1,187,858**	**1,068**	**-**	**1,188,926**
At 31 March 2021	**1,200,248**	**777**	**-**	**1,201,025**

8. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade debtors	6,820	16,010

9. Cash and Bank

Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash in hand at for the year ended 31 March 2022	33,520	47,979
Total cash and cash equivalents	**33,520**	**47,979**

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	2,158	-
Deferred Income - Restricted funds	5,786	20,761
PAYE, NIC VAT and other taxes	-	247
Other creditors	8,999	486
	16,943	**21,494**

11. Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank loans and overdrafts	**55,503**	**89,978**

12. Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities

At 31 March 2022	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	72,260	1,116,666	**1,188,926**
Current Assets	21,554	18,786	**40,340**
Current Liabilities	(16,943)	-	**(16,943)**
Long Term Liabilities	(55,503)	-	**(55,503)**
	21,368	**1,135,452**	**1,156,820**

At 1 April 2021	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	96,419	1,104,606	**1,201,025**
Current Assets	34,911	29,078	**63,989**
Current Liabilities	(21,494)	-	**(21,494)**
Long Term Liabilities	(89,978)	-	**(89,978)**
	19,858	**1,133,684**	**1,153,542**

13. There is no Related Party transaction to be disclosed.

14. There is no post balance sheet event to be disclosed.

BLACK & MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1091127

Accounts

BLACK AND ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March, 2021

Company Registration Number: 04180668 (England and Wales)
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BLACK AND ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

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BLACK AND ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2021

Trustees
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BLACK AND ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2021

The Trustees who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

a. Objectives and aims

As a not-for-profit organisation the BMECP do not have shareholders to answer to, the BMECP operations are not funded by the Social Investment Business and Brighton and Hove City Council. BMECP bought a shell property and borrowed £200,000 from SIB to improve the property. When rooms are booked or offices are hired at the BMECP centre, the monies are reinvested back into the centre to pay for operational cost and the general running of the centre.

Our overall aim is to raise enough revenue to make BMECP sustainable and able to fund its own in-house projects, including training and events and to support BME community.

b. Objectives

- To promote equality of opportunity for Black and Minority Ethnic individuals and their families and to challenge and combat racism and all forms of discrimination.
- To support Black and Minority Ethnic Groups, individuals and families by providing them with information, advice and other assistance.
- To develop and maintain contacts with the statutory, voluntary and private sectors organisations with the aim of encouraging them to implement policies which will promote equality of opportunity and good relations between people of different ethnic origins.
- To deliver any services which are within the scope of the objects of BMECP.
- To promote or carry out research and to disseminate the useful results of such research and to publish or distribute such information.
- To establish, develop and maintain a resource centre catering particularly for, but not solely, the needs of black and ethnic peoples, including refugees and asylum seekers, who are resident in Brighton and Hove City.

ACTIVITIES - Charitable activities

1. BMECP Centre

The Centre has been in operation for more than 21 years and continues to thrive as a popular venue providing a welcoming, accessible, and affordable community space enjoyed by everyone.

We have several tenants renting our office spaces and other spaces/meeting rooms are rented for training and other community activities whilst we continue to encourage the introduction of clients to the centre.
Whilst office rental do generate more steady income for the Centre, the other available spaces being rented for meetings/training has meant that we have more available space for meetings/training for the benefit of everyone.
Our customer segmentation indicates that we have diverse customers that include the following: -

- Faith based organisations (3 Churches)
- Various Charities and Voluntary Sector Organisations
- Student Internship Programme - Brighton & Hove City Council Departments
- Wellbeing Counselling Service - CCG Wellbeing Service - BME Community Groups - Local Businesses
- Brighton Housing Trust
- Southdown Housing

The Centre was used for the following:
- Training/Meetings/interviews
- Religious prayers/Church
- Weddings
- Birthdays
- Religious Celebrations such as Eid
- Annual General Meetings
- Yoga Classes
- Language classes
- Workshops (Singing, dance & theatre)
- Art exhibitions
- Advice/Guidance One Stop Shop
- Interpreting and signposting drop-in sessions
- Chinese Elders Group
- BMECP 50+ Group
- Annual cultural & festival celebrations

Community Members and groups are encouraged to support the Centre so as to ensure that the rooms and offices are used and that the Centre generates enough income to be self-sustaining and this has been more important in recent years. BMECP has also advertised hot desking facility that enables smaller groups, organisations and individuals to use the Centre facilities including the Centre address for their group or business. This also enables them to use the available desks as and when they require a private space on a rota basis. Members are offered a discount on room booking. This is an opportunity for co-working and networking with other like-minded people with regular seminars and workshops, included in the hot desking package.

2. Gift Aid Registration

- As from the 30th of May 2018, BMECP has been recognised by HMRC as charity for tax purposes - Under the Gift Aid scheme BMECP can claim back basic rate income tax that has been paid by the individuals on donations of money made by them.

- This now means that BMECP can make claims for repayment of tax under the Gift Aid Scheme within 4 years of its accounting period in we received the Gift Aid Donation.
- In addition, BMECP is eligible to claim a top-up payment worth 25% of every Pounds , even if we don't have a Gift Aid declaration from the donor when there was a verbal confirmation from the donor.
- Gift Aid donations will give the BMECP another income stream & will improve the cashflow, & in turn BMECP will use the much-needed cash to promote charitable projective, which is the essence of her existence. Patrick Chilufya & Adeola Ojeniyi are the authorised BMECP's authorised officials with HMRC

3. New BMECP Website

Our website acts as the eye of BMECP to the public. Visitors are able to see what our mission, aims and objectives.
- We have been using the website to fundraise including gift aid donations. -We made sure our website has the right content and we have attracted a lot of new visitors (traffic has increased), our supporters and other donors to market our organisation and raise funds for our social and charitable projects.
- Our main aim is to encourage our supporters, as well as the public to visit our website so that they can see what we do and at the same encourage them to donate funds to the charity.
- Our aim is to leverage the platform to connect with people in Brighton & surrounding areas. Using Facebook for Fundraising & Marketing
- Our new Facebook Page is linked to our website.
- We have made sure our Facebook page has the right content, profile page photos and videos. We also utilise all the suites of tools and services offered by Facebook.
- Our Facebook has been clearly categorised us Non-Profit and utilised services such as Fundraisers, events, page insights, donations and so forth.
- We will continue to take advantage of Facebook Tools and services such as Fundraiser & Donate Button to raise cash through Gift Aid & other donations.
- We also want our Facebook Page to attract as many visitors as possible & also to like or follow us.
- We will also try to use tools such as Events to assist us organise supporters to participate in the activities.
- We can utilise tools such as Live for Live Fundraising Streams & also place free advertisement space for charities.
- Furthermore, using the Fundraiser tool, we can use the ability for other people to fundraise on our behalf for our various causes.

4. Measuring Social Impact

- BMECP currently measure or record the number of people visiting the centre and record of bookings or hiring our rooms for training and other purposes for board decisions.
- BMECP wants to move away from just recording traffic into the centre but into Measuring and Demonstrating Social Impact.
- We want to measure the quality of our services such as the experience of our service users
- As a result, we are planning to start capturing data through quality surveys. We will always ask the user of our services to complete the questionnaire or survey forms.

5. Organ Donor Project

We are currently running the blood donor project, which was supposed to run from February 2020 to March 2021. This project was funded by NHS England. The project has been extended to October 2021 due to the COVID 19 Lockdowns. Public benefit in shaping our objectives and planning our activities for the year & the Trustees have given consideration to the duties set out in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit. In particular, the Trustees have considered how the planned activities will contribute to the overall aims and objectives that they have set. The Trustees believe that the following paragraphs under "Objectives, Aims and Activities/Projects" for the year, relate in detail the benefit that the charity provides to the public.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

There was a surplus for the period of £28,199 (2020: surplus £1,393) leaving reserves available of £1,153,542 (2020: £1,043,097) of which £1,014,020 (2020: £1,014,020) has to be used on restricted projects. General reserves now stand at £110,445 (2020: £111,323) which could be favourable or unfavourable, that occurs between the end of the reporting period and the date that the financial statements are authorised for issue. [IAS 10.3]

Reserves policy

- BMECP's Trustees recognise the importance of having income available to be spent at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the charity's objects, but which is not yet spent, committed or designated.
- BMECP's Trustees aim to develop and maintain unrestricted reserves equal to the value of 3 months running costs - The use of restricted funds in the development of unrestricted reserves is prohibited

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 15 March 2001 and received charitable status on 14 March 2002. Its governing document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 15 March 2001 as amended 30 March2001 and 3 September 2002. The Trustees when complete shall consist of at least 8 and not more than 18 individuals of whom:

(i) not more than 12 shall be elected by the members of Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership in general meeting; and

(ii) not more than 6 shall be appointed at a duly convened meeting of the trustees by the trustees elected under (i) above. One third (or the number nearest one third) of the Trustees elected under (i) above must retire at each subsequent AGM, those longest in office retiring first. Where a choice must be made between any of equal service, the number of votes which, each received when last elected office shall determine the issue so that those who received less votes shall retire first. A Trustee retiring under

this Article may not stand for re-election before the AGM following the AGM at which he or she retires.

The Trustees must hold at least 3 meetings each year. The quorum for meetings of the Trustees is 4.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19); ITS IMPACT ON OUR OPERATIONS.

Apart from having serious implications for people's health, the economy and health services, Coronavirus (COVID-19) had a significant impact on our organisation (BMECP), operation wise, sales and cash flow wise.

As soon as the first lock down was announced in the third week of March 2020, the centre was closed for business, and all the temporary room bookings were cancelled resulting in a huge loss of income for the organisation.

COVID-19 brought both opportunities and challenges. The board of trustees could no longer meet physically but via ZOOM and other online platforms such as MS Teams. Out of four staff members, three were on furlough scheme & only one remained to run the food bank programmes which were funded by Brighton and Hove City Council, The Sussex Partnership Foundation and The National Lottery. The food bank programme started in May 2020 & went on until the end of the financial years (March 2021). In March 2021, we were the only Ethnic Minority Food bank project in Brighton and surrounding areas.

Like many other organisations, BMECP board regarded COVID-19 as a crisis, and this led to crisis response, and follows:

- Revised our Profit and Loss Budget, including the cash flow statements
- Restructured our operations including measures for the workforce such putting three staff members on government furlough scheme
- One staff member who was doing full time hours was put on redundancy, her last day being the 31st of March 2021.
- We reduced staff hours (all staff on payroll) post COVID-19 lockdown
- Embarked on a cost measure to avoid running out cash and into liquidation
- Applied for various revenue grants and we were awarded a small business grant of £25,000 by Brighton and Hove City Council which helped immensely to remain operational as going a concern.
- We applied for a 100% exemption on Council Business Rate Tax and thankfully it was granted.
- We resorted to use more volunteers to run the food bank project instead of paying wages to our staff members. This served thousands of pounds.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the excess of income over expenditure for that period.

In preparing this financial statement, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 as amended. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charitable company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO EXAMINER

The trustees who held office at the date of approval of this trustees' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant information of which the Charity's examiner is unaware; and each trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a trustee to make himself/ herself aware of any relevant information and to establish that the Charity's examiner is aware of that information.

EXAMINER

In line with the provision exemption in the Charities Act 2011 as amended, the trust decided to change their independent examiner and in its place, Fabek Associates and Co Ltd have been appointed to act as independent examiners with effect from September 1, 2020.
We would like to sincerely appreciate our A.K. & Co Accountancy Services for their support and professionalism displayed while in office as our independent examiners.

Mrs Esther Ekpo
Chair of the Trustees
Date:

BLACK AND ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BLACK AND ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP (BMECP

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March, 2020, which are set out on Pages 12 to 22.

We have examined the financial statements of the Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership (the charity) for the year ended 31 March, 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies, the financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation, its applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March, 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act as amended.

Have not been met; or

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our examination of the accounts has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees, as a body, for the independent examination work, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed this 17 *Day of* Sep *2021* Fabek Associates & Co Ltd

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BLACK AND ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2021

	Notes	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	3	55,290	49,905	105,195	5,227
Charitable activities	4	29,175	-	29,175	75,592
Other trading activities	5	38	-	38	4,064
Investments	6	5	-	5	3
Other	7	2,336	-	2,336	7,896
Total income		86,844	49,905	136,749	92,782
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	8	84,304	20,827	105,131	91,388
Other	9	3,419	-	3,419	-
Total expenditure		87,723	20,827	108,550	91,388
Net income for the year		(879)	29,078	28,199	1,394
Net income after transfers		(879)	29,078	28,199	1,394
Net movement in funds		(879)	29,078	28,199	1,394
Reconciliation of funds:-					
Total funds brought forward		111,323	1,014,020	1,125,343	1,123,949
Total funds carried forward		110,444	1,043,098	1,153,542	1,125,343

BLACK AND ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2021

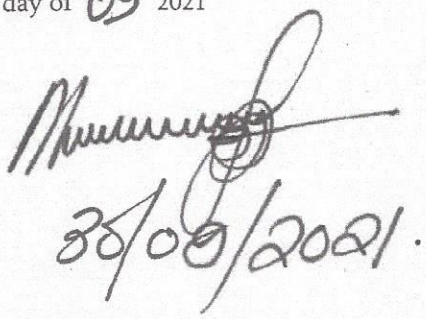
	Notes		2021 £		2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		1,201,025		1,213,578
Current assets					
Debtors	11	16,010		7,595	
Cash at bank and in hand		47,979		20,361	
Total current assets		63,989		27,956	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(21,494)		(11,695)	
Net current assets			42,495		16,261
			1,243,520		1,229,839
Total assets less current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	13		(89,978)		(104,496)
The total net assets of the charity			1,153,542		1,125,343
The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-					
Restricted funds					
Restricted Revenue Funds	14	29,078		-	
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	14	1,014,020		1,014,020	
			1,043,098		1,014,020
Unrestricted Funds					
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	14		110,444		111,323
Designated Funds					
Total charity funds			1,153,542		1,125,343

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- The charity is subject to Independent Examination under charity legislation, and the report of the Independent Examiner is on page 11.
- The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Approved by the Board of
Trustees on 17 day of 09 2021

Patrick Chilufya
Treasurer



1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities. Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a true and fair view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership meet the definition of public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties regarding the charity's ability to continue. Therefore, the accounts are prepared on a going concern basis.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party. It is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis

consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities in incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold property	- not depreciated
Long term leasehold property	- 100 years
Fixtures and Fittings	- 5 years
Office Equipment	- 7 years

1.7 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.8 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening or similar account.

1.9 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipated it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle obligation. Where the effect of the time is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

2.0 Fund Accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3.0 Income from Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Donations & Gifts from Individuals	7,702	-	7,702	5,227
Covid-19 Job Retention Grant	22,588	-	22,588	
Food Bank Projects	-	49,905	49,905	
Brighton and Hove CC	25,000		25,000	
Total	**55,290**	**49,905**	**105,195**	**5,227**

4.0 Income from Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Other Income (Room hire services)				
Total Other Income (Room hire services)	29,175	-	29,175	75,592

5.0 Income from Other Non-Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Catering, Refreshments Income	38	-	38	4,064
Total from other activities	38	-	38	4,064

6. Investment Income

		Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Bank Interest Receivable		5	-	5	3
Total investment income	A4	5	-	5	3

7. Other Income

		Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Sundry other income from Services		2,336	-	2,336	7,896
Total other income	A5	2,336	-	2,336	7,896

8. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Gross wages and salaries - charitable activities	43,186	-	**43,186**	33,377
Travel and Subsistence - Charitable Activities	-	-	**-**	1,032
Marketing and advertising of charitable services	937	-	**937**	844
Staff Entertainment	-	-	**-**	183
Training	10	-	**10**	64
Food bank Project	-	17,270	**17,270**	-
Other Project	-	1,543	**1,543**	-
Total direct spending	**44,133**	**18,813**	**62,946**	**35,500**

Support costs for charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Volunteer costs				
Volunteers' expenses	650	-	**650**	183
Premises Expenses				
Light heat and power	5,973	-	**5,973**	-
Cleaning and waste management	3,474	-	**3,474**	-
Premises repairs, renewals and maintenance	860	-	**860**	27,809
Property insurance	-	-	**-**	1,608
Administrative overheads				
Telephone, fax and internet	1,705	-	**1,705**	1,812
Postage	-	-	**-**	862
Stationery and printing	150	-	**150**	-
Membership subscriptions	-	-	**-**	503
Hire of equipment (Telephone lease)	1,710	-	**1,710**	-
Software licences and expenses	525	-	**525**	26
Liabilty and contents insurance	2,079	-	**2,079**	-
Sundry expenses	121	-	**121**	-
Admin costs spare (1)	892	-	**892**	-

Professional fees paid to advisors other than the auditor or examiner				
Accountancy fees other than examination or audit fees	2,499	-	**2,499**	2,204
Consultancy fees	1,894	-	**1,894**	1,946
Management fees	-	-	-	300
Financial costs				
Bank charges	12	-	**12**	10
Loan interest	5,952	-	**5,952**	8,949
Depreciation & Amortisation in total for the	10,539	2,014	**12,553**	8,676
Support costs before reallocation	**39,035**	**2,014**	**41,049**	**54,888**
Total support costs	**39,035**	**2,014**	**41,049**	**54,888**

The basis of allocation of costs between activities is described under accounting policies

Other Expenditure - Governance costs

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Independent Examiner's fees	1,000	-	**1,000**	1,000
Trustees' expenses	136	-	**136**	-
Total Governance costs	**1,136**	**-**	**1,136**	**1,000**

Total Charitable expenditure

		Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Total direct spending	B2a	44,133	18,813	**62,946**	35,500
Total support costs	B2d	39,035	2,014	**41,049**	54,888
Total Governance costs	B2e	1,136	-	**1,136**	1,000
Total charitable expenditure	**B2**	**84,304**	**20,827**	**105,131**	**91,388**

9. Other Non-Trading Expenditure

		Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Bad Debts Written out		3,419	-	3,419	-
Non charity expenditure	B3b	3,419	-	3,419	-

10. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long Leasehold & Improvt to Property £	Office Equipment £	Fixtures and Fittings £	Total £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 April 2020	1,237,727	15,924	5,468	1,259,119	1,259,119
At 31 March 2021	1,237,727	15,924	5,468	1,259,119	1,259,119
Depreciation					
At 1 April 2020	25,089	14,999	5,453	45,541	45,541
Charge for the year	12,390	148	15	12,553	12,553
At 31 March 2021	37,479	15,147	5,468	58,094	58,094
Net book value					
At 31 March 2021	1,200,248	777	-	1,201,025	1,201,025
At 31 March 2020	1,212,638	925	15	1,213,578	1,213,578

11. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	16,010	7,595

12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	(1)
Accruals	-	1,200
Deferred Income - Restricted funds	20,761	8,525
PAYE, NIC VAT and other taxes	247	363
Other creditors	486	1,608
	21,494	11,695

13. Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	89,978	104,496

14. Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities

At 31 March 2021	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	187,005	-	1,014,020	**1,201,025**	**1,201,025**
Current Assets	34,911		29,078	**63,989**	**63,989**
Current Liabilities	(21,494)	-	-	**(21,494)**	**(21,494)**
Long Term Liabilities	(89,978)	-	-	**(89,978)**	**(89,978)**
	110,444	-	1,043,098	1,153,542	1,153,542

At 1 April 2020	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	199,558	-	1,014,020	**1,213,578**	**1,213,578**
Current Assets	27,956	-	-	**27,956**	**27,956**
Current Liabilities	(11,695)	-	-	**(11,695)**	**(11,695)**
Long Term Liabilities	(104,496)	-	-	**(104,496)**	**(104,496)**
	111,323	-	1,014,020	1,125,343	1,125,343

15. There is no Related Party transaction to be disclosed.

16. There is no post balance sheet event to be disclosed.