

# ERITREAN SAHO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1093606

## Details

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**Other names** ERITEAN SAHO CULTURAL ASSOCIATION

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2002-08-30

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

## Contact

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**Address** Eritrean Saho Community Association  
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**Website** [www.esca.world](http://www.esca.world)

## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE SAHO COMMUNITY THROUGH THE PROVISION OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND EDUCATIVE SERVICES

**Activities:** Mother Tongue Classes  
Supplementary Education Classes  
After School Club Activities  
Cultural Awareness Sessions and Workshops  
Health Awareness Sessions and Workshops  
Sports and recreational activities  
Social Club for Adults

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, 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, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Lambeth

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£61,028	£34,823	-	-
2024-03-31	£30,618	£52,889	-	-
2023-03-31	£9,815	£20,542	-	-
2022-03-31	£12,112	£19,497	-	-
2021-03-31	£91,785	£42,852	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Awelkher Ahmed		2017-03-25
HUSSEIN SHUMDEHAN		2025-04-20
Khadeja Suleiman		2025-04-01
Mosa Ahmedin		2025-04-01
Nejib Mohammed		2025-04-01
Saleh Gafo		2025-04-01
mohamed abdella		2020-04-19

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# Accounts

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**Charity Registration No. 1093606**

**ERITREAN SAHO COMMUNITY  
ASSOCIATION**

**Trustees Reports and Financial Statements  
For the year ended 31<sup>ST</sup> March 2025**

**ITahir Accountancy  
EPCA Office N  
1 Thorpe Close  
London W10 5XL**

# Trustees' Annual Report

## Eritrean Saho Community Association (ESCA)

### Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: Eritrean Saho Community Association (ESCA)

Charity Number: 1093606

Registered Address: 13–15 Stockwell Road, London SW9 9AU

Financial Year: 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

### **Organizational Purpose**

The Eritrean Saho Community Association exists to promote social welfare, education, community cohesion and cultural development for the benefit of the Saho community and the wider public.

### Objectives and Public Benefit

In planning and delivering its activities, the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The charity's work contributes to improved digital inclusion, supports young people's personal development, reduces social isolation among elderly community members, and strengthens community cohesion across generations.

### **Activities and Achievements**

#### Many Voices Digital Media Project

The charity continued delivery of the Many Voices digital media programme, supported by funding from the Anti-Tribalism Movement. Over the year, participants developed practical and transferable skills in video production, filming, editing, use of AI tools, storytelling, podcasting, and digital content creation.

As part of the programme, the charity successfully developed and launched three community-led media shows, providing participants with real-world experience in planning, presenting, producing, and managing creative content. In addition, a live-streaming setup was established, enabling young people and community members to engage in online broadcasting, interactive discussions, and digital storytelling. The project also incorporated online gaming and live engagement sessions, which supported teamwork, communication skills, and positive social interaction.

The programme has had a significant impact on confidence-building, teamwork, and employability. Participants reported increased self-esteem, improved communication skills, and greater motivation to pursue education, training, or creative careers.

For the wider community, the project created a safe and inclusive space for expression, intergenerational learning, and cultural exchange. It amplified underrepresented voices, strengthened community pride, and provided accessible digital opportunities for those who may otherwise face barriers to participation. The project has helped to reduce social isolation, foster collaboration, and build a stronger sense of belonging across different age groups.

### **Youth Activities, Clubs and Trips**

Throughout the year, the charity delivered regular youth activities, clubs, trips, and creative sessions designed to support learning, confidence-building, wellbeing, and social development. Young people were given opportunities to work collaboratively, develop leadership skills, and express themselves creatively in a safe and supportive environment.

These activities helped to improve attendance, positive behaviour, and engagement with education, while also providing structured opportunities for socialising, peer support, and mentorship. Families reported improved confidence and happiness among their children, as well as stronger connections with the wider community.

### **Support for Elderly Community Members**

The charity placed a strong focus on improving the wellbeing and happiness of elderly community members by increasing regular engagement, social interaction, and emotional support. Through weekly visits, social gatherings, and community meals, elders were given consistent opportunities to connect with others, share stories, and feel valued within the community.

During Ramadan, food was prepared and distributed to elderly members of the community, helping to reduce isolation and provide both practical and emotional support. These interactions created meaningful relationships between volunteers, young people, and elders, encouraging intergenerational understanding and mutual respect.

Many elders reported feeling happier, more connected, and less isolated as a result of these activities. The programme has strengthened trust, improved mental wellbeing, and helped elders feel recognized, respected, and actively involved in community life.

### **Financial Review**

During the year, the charity recorded income in excess of £25,000. Expenditure reflected planned investment in community activities, digital equipment, training programs, events, and support services. The trustees continue to monitor finances closely to ensure sustainability and responsible use of funds.

## Reserves Policy

The trustees maintain reserves to support ongoing activities, manage financial risk, and ensure continuity of services. Reserves are reviewed annually.

## Risk Management

The trustees regularly review risks relating to funding, safeguarding, facilities, and operational delivery. Appropriate policies, procedures, and oversight arrangements are in place.

## Plans for the Future

The charity plans to further develop its digital skills training, expand youth engagement activities, and strengthen intergenerational connections within the community. A key priority is to document and preserve the stories, memories, and cultural heritage of our elders through filmed interviews, audio recordings, and written archives. These stories will be shared with younger generations to promote learning, identity, and community pride.

The charity also plans to increase its use of creative media to amplify community voices, improve access to training, and build stronger partnerships with funders, local organisations, and cultural institutions.

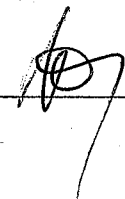
## Serious Incident Statement

The trustees confirm that there were no serious incidents during the year requiring reporting to the Charity Commission.

## Approval

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf.

Chair of Trustees Name HUSSEIN SHUMDIHAN

Signature: 

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

### **TO THE TRUSTEES OF ERITREAN SAHO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

I have examined the attached account and statement, which have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis set out page 5-7 and notes of accounts.

#### **Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

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#### **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

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Idris Tahir  
Licensed Accountant

*Date: 24/01/2025*

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Eritrean Saho Community Association			1093606
<b>Receipts and Payments Accounts</b>			
For the period from	Period start	To	Period end date
	01/04/2024		31/03/2025

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Members contribution	440			440	670
Community Con. Fund		7250		7,250	-
Grants -Ant Tribalism	25,000	25,000		50,000	29,750
Insuranch Claim	2,034			2,034	198
Other Income	1,304			1,304	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>28,778</b>	<b>32,250</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,028</b>	<b>30,618</b>
<b>Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>					
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>28,778</b>	<b>32,250</b>		<b>61,028</b>	<b>30,618</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
RENT AND ROOM HIRE	733			733	800
EVENTS & ENTERTAINMENT	-	3,086		3,086	3,889
TELEPHONE & Web	1402			1,402	1,033
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE		3345		3,345	2,373
WEB & DOMAIN		2729.29		2,729	
EQUIPMENT & FURNITURE		13378		13,378	31,625
INSURANCE	298			298	-
ENGINEERS VOLUNTEERS		3590		3,590	12,300
PROF. & LEGAL FEES		6184		6,184	550
BANK CHARGES	60			60	60
SUNDRY EXPENSES	18			18	259
					-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>2,511</b>	<b>32,312</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,823</b>	<b>52,889</b>
<b>LOAN REPAYMENTS</b>					
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>2,511</b>	<b>32,312</b>	<b>- -</b>	<b>34,823</b>	<b>52,889</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>26,266</b>	<b>- 62</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,205</b>	<b>- 22,270</b>
<b>Adjustment of Funds</b>					
				-	2,002
<b>Loan Payments</b>					
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>				36,894	61,166
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>26,266</b>	<b>- 62</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>63,031</b>	<b>36,894</b>

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT THE END OF THE PERIOD 31/3/2025**

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Categories

**Cash funds**

Natwest	49,466		25,132
Hsbc-bbf	7,800		8,467
Cash In hand C/F	5,765		3,295
	<b>63,031</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,894</b>

**Other monetary assets**

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)


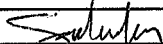
**Assets retained for the charity's own use**

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

**Liabilities**

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
LOAN FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Hussein Shumdehan (Chairman)	22/01/2026
	Saleh Gafo (Treasurer)	22/01/2026

# **ERITREAN SAHO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

### **1. Accounting Basis**

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Management and administration costs relate to admin support to the charity. The trustees give all their time free of charge.

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Equipments/computers actual costs are depreciated 1/3 p.a. on a straight-line basis.

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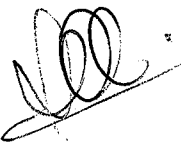
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## ERITREAN SAHO CULTURAL ASSOCIATION

### **A: REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

Trustees Annual Report

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Registered Charity no. 1093606

#### **Principal Address:**

13 -15 Stockwell Road

London SW9 9AU

During April 2022 March 2023, ESCA Trustee Board members were.

- |    |                     |                             |
|----|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. | Abdulkadir Abdullah | Chairperson                 |
| 2. | Mohamed Abdalla     | Secretary                   |
| 3. | Awelkair Ahmed      | Treasurer                   |
| 4. | Musa Nagesh         | Member/youth contact person |
| 5. | Abdulrman Ahmed     | MC Member/administrator     |

#### **Banker:**

National Westminster Bank plc, Stockwell Branch,

358, South Lambeth Road,

London, SW8 1UR

HSBC Bank

512 Brixton Road

London, Sw9 8ER

### **B: STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

- Governing Documents: Constitution (adopted 14<sup>th</sup> July 2002)
- Constitution of Charity Charity Association
- Trustees' selection methods Trustees are elected for two-year- term in office
- We are a charity which has as its trustee Eritrean Saho Culture Association (Esca)
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- The aim of ESCA is to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation, with the purpose of improving the conditions of life in particular but not exclusively for the Saho Community.
- ESCA provides this by means of community centre and educative services located in the heart of Lambeth, Stockwell.

- As a non-profit organisation our operations are all run and supported by fundraising events and programmes internally, that echo the nature of charity.

#### **C: Objectives and activities:**

- Our objectives in essence are to give back to the very community and borough that supported and continuously support the vision of ESCA, for today and for tomorrow.
- Many of our day-to-day activities are aimed at merging neighbouring communities to help build and improve relations on a social, academic, and personal level. We have endlessly been running educational/training, arts and cultural/religion classes for local youths and children. We also continue to operate social evenings for vulnerable peoples, adults, and those facing mental or physical barriers.

#### **D: Maintenance:**

We have improved the condition of many parts of our building to ensure we meet health and safety regulations, implementing new fire and security systems including new fire doors, posts/signage, also alarms and extinguishers. Maintenance of groundwork in communal areas to ensure free and safe passageways for all users, and further refurbishing to bring more warmth to the community for ongoing and future programmes and activities. Simultaneously we are working with Lambeth Council in restoring other parts of the building, ensuring pride and harmony is kept within our community.

#### **F: Barriers:**

Still, we are struggling from the Covid-19 which has affected our community at large with cost of living.

2022/23 ESCA Build's mission is to provide underserved young adults with the education, training and life skills necessary to become gainfully employed and build a better future. Here at ESCA, we believe that every young person has the power to succeed and create a better life for themselves and their families with access to the right resources and support system. We offer free programs for underserved youth in Lambeth in particular in the Stockwell area to obtain their high school diploma, earn industry-recognized credentials and certifications, develop career readiness skills, and complete hands-on work experience so they can move into careers, college or vocational schools.

#### **G: Key highlights of our year:**

receiving £35000 in grants from Lambeth council to help build a studio for local residents at Lambeth.

This project has dramatically increased Studio Voltaire's role within the local community and significantly increased the number of participants who are able to take part in these programmes, greatly supporting community cohesion and lifelong learning

ESCA as managed to organise a trip for youth and senior. being nominated as the lead charity for grant from Lambeth to work with all of the other Local charities as well as other voluntary organisations and Stockwell primary care health and social care organisations in Stockwell

Also, our sessional workers and volunteers have been providing a range of support such as helping with supplementary school for children that their parents cannot afford to pay tuition fee.

We are running a project (Saturday morning for kids and mum) providing healthy food and drink and some exercise to keep them fit and healthy. As a local charity our support is vital for the local community and our service users. The funding certainly helped us to continue much-needed services that have been increased since the pandemic.

I am immensely proud of the achievements of our staff during this most challenging time and thank them for their fortitude in delivering on our plan and for the support and kindness they have shown each other. The past year has reminded us that their expertise and commitment is our most precious asset.

**H: Reserve Policy**

The Association held no reserves during the period under review.

**I: ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

ESCA is indebted to the generosity and dedication of all the volunteers who worked with the Association. We appreciate highly their continued commitment and hard work which was significant to fulfil our project in various areas.

**J: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

MC members recognize their responsibilities for keeping proper accounting records and preparing financial statements each year. The appended accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis and have been examined by an independent examiner, whose report is also appended.

**H: DECLARATION**

The trustees declare that they approved the trustees' report above on the regular meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature: Abdulkadir Name: Abdulkadir Abdullah

Signature: Awel Name: Awelkair Ahmed

Eritrean Saho Community Association			1093606
<b>Receipts and Payments Accounts</b>			
For the period from	Period start	To	Period end date
	01/04/2023		31/03/2024

## Receipts and Payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Members contribution	670			670	1,610
Donations & Other Income	-				3,805
Grants (LAMS)		29,750		29,750	4,400
Other Income	198			198	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>868</b>	<b>29,750</b>		<b>30,618</b>	<b>9,815</b>
Asset and investment sales, etc.					
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>868</b>	<b>29,750</b>		<b>30,618</b>	<b>9,815</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
RENT AND ROOM HIRE	800	0		800	800
EVENTS	3,889			3,889	3,837
TELEPHONE & Web	1,033			1,033	652
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	2,373			2,373	2,380
Sundry Expenses	259			259	1,305
YOUTH ACTIVITIES					900
INSURANCE					275
ENGINEERS VOLUNTEERS		12,300		12,300	
PROFESSIONAL FEES	550			550	900
EQUIPMENTS		31,625		31,625	9,167
BANK CHARGES	60			60	60
SAFETY-FIRE ALARM					
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>8,964</b>	<b>43,925</b>		<b>52,889</b>	<b>20,642</b>
LOAN REPAYMENTS					4,670
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>8,964</b>	<b>43,925</b>		<b>52,889</b>	<b>25,212</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>8,096</b>	<b>14,175</b>		<b>22,270</b>	<b>16,398</b>
Adjustment of Funds	2,002			2,002	714
Loan Payments					
Cash funds last year end				61,166	77,278
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>				<b>36,894</b>	<b>61,166</b>

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT THE END OF THE PERIOD 31/3/2024**

Categories


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	Hsbc-bbf	8,467		
	Cash In hand C/F	3,295		
		<b>36,894</b>		

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Details		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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Assets retained for the charity's own use		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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Liabilities			
LOAN FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS		-	

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Abdulkadir I Abdullah (Chairman)	20/01/2025
	Awelkheir Mohamed (Treasurer)	20/01/2025

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



Idris Tahir  
Licensed Accountant

Date: 20/01/2022

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## ERITREAN SAHO CULTURAL ASSOCIATION

### **A: REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

Trustees Annual Report

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Registered Charity no. 1093606

#### **Principal Address:**

13 -15 Stockwell Road

London SW9 9AU

During April 2020 to March 2021, ESCA Trustee Board members were.

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Abdu Suleiman         | Chairperson                    |
| 2. Mesob Abdalla Humaden | Secretary                      |
| 3. Awelkair Ahmed        | Treasurer                      |
| 4. Mohamed Abdalla       | MC Member/youth contact person |
| 5. Abdulrhman Ahmed      | MC Member/administrator        |

#### **Banker:**

National Westminster Bank plc, Stockwell Branch,  
358, South Lambeth Road,  
London, SW8 1UR

HSBC Bank

512 Brixton Road

London, Sw9 8ER

### **B: STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

- Governing Documents: Constitution (adopted 14<sup>th</sup> July 2002)
- Constitution of Charity Charity Association
- Trustees' selection methods Trustees are elected for two-year- term in office
- We are a charity which has as its trustee Eritrean Saho Culture Association (Esca)
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- The aim of ESCA is to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation, with the purpose of improving the conditions of life in particular but not exclusively for the Saho Community.
- ESCA provides this by means of community centre and educative services located in the heart of Lambeth, Stockwell.
- As a non-profit organisation our operations are all run and supported by fundraising events and programmes internally, that echo the nature of charity.
- C: Objectives and activities:

- Our objectives in essence are to give back to the very community and borough that supported and continuously support the vision of ESCA, for today and for tomorrow.
- Many of our day to day activities are aimed at merging neighbouring communities to help build and improve relations on a social, academic, and personal level. We have endlessly been running educational/training, arts and cultural/religion classes for local youths and children. We also continue to operate social evenings for vulnerable peoples, adults, and those facing mental or physical barriers.
- **D: Maintenance:**
  - We have improved the condition of many parts of our building to ensure we meet health and safety regulations, implementing new fire and security systems including new fire doors, posts/signage, also alarms and extinguishers. Maintenance of groundwork in communal areas to ensure free and safe passageways for all users, and further refurbishing to bring more warmth to the community for ongoing and future programmes and activities. Simultaneously we are working with Lambeth Council in restoring other parts of the building, ensuring pride and harmony is kept within our community.
- **F: Barriers:**
  - This year we have experienced a new and huge challenge with the pandemic of Covid-19 which has affected our community at large. We have been making sure *when safe*, to continue to operate our services within the boundaries of the set rules and guidelines set out by the government. We have closely followed these guidelines by implementing social distancing rules and protective equipment to ensure that our community ultimately contributes to the recovery of this pandemic. During lockdown we have operated few of our educational activities via online, though have found it at times difficult due to the nature of present times, we continuously aim to prioritise the wellbeing, health, and safety of all our members and our community.
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  - 2020/21 has been a year like none other as the Covid-19 affected all of our plans for the year and has changed the focus of our charity completely.
  - 3. We have changed our charitable objectives so that we can receive and spend funds for Local resident at Stockwell in particular but not exclusively . This was as a result of the Covid-19 emergency appeal by ESCA , Lambeth Somali community and Ethiopian community CTGUK Together.
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  - **G: Key highlights of our year:**
    - receiving £55,610 in grants from National lottery as partnership with the above charities that we used to help Lambeth East African and local residents at Lambeth . ESCA as they responded to the Covid-19 pandemic
    - being nominated as the lead charity for grant from National Lottery Community to work with all of the other Local charities as well as other voluntary organisations and Stockwell primary care health and social care organisations in Stockwell
    - receiving £10000 from global children's grant that have been used to fund work by Sessional worker and volunteers to help those suffering from mental health issues because of the pandemic.
    - Also our sessional workers and volunteers have been providing a range of support like making shopping to buy essential items like food for those vulnerable and low-income families and elderly that have been negatively affected by Covid-19. Similarly, our volunteers have been picking up and delivering prescriptions for those elderly that can't physically go to the GPs or self-isolating.
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    - In the last year, with these funding, we were able to reach and support more families and elderly that have been affected by the pandemic.
    - As a local charity our support is vital for the local community and our service users. The funding certainly helped us to continue much-needed services that have been increased since the pandemic. We have already changed the way we support the community as we are now concentrating on

supporting those that are very vulnerable and are in the greatest need in their homes. Elderly need help with collecting medications from GPs and pharmacies. Our volunteers call families at homes whenever possible to help them with benefit applications. So, until now our main activity was not centre based instead our volunteers mainly do call and contact families and elderly remotely wherever possible.

- Our volunteers support community members in a variety of ways: For example, we make phone calls to advise and signpost to other support organizations. We refer some families to Covid-19 support organizations in Wandsworth and Lambeth like food banks also to Citizen Advice Bureau (CAB) and South West London Low Centre (SWLLC).
- We contact them by phone but also contact them by email if the families have access to a computer.

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- I am immensely proud of the achievements of our staff during this most challenging time and thank them for their fortitude in delivering on our plan and for the support and kindness they have shown each other. The past year has reminded us that their expertise and commitment is our most precious asset.

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- **H: Reserve Policy**

- The Association held no reserves during the period under review.

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- **I: ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

- ESCA is indebted to the generosity and dedication of all the volunteers who worked with the Association. We appreciate highly their continued commitment and hard work which was significant to fulfil our project in various areas.

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- **J: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- MC members recognize their responsibilities for keeping proper accounting records and preparing financial statements each year. The appended accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis and have been examined by an independent examiner, whose report is also appended.

## H: DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they approved the trustees' report above on the regular meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:  Name: Abdulkadir Abdullah

Signature:  Name: Awelkair Ahmed



Eritrean Saho Community Association		1093606
<b>Receipts and Payments Accounts</b>		
For the period from	Period start 01/04/2020	To Period end date 31/03/2021

## Receipts and Payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>					
The National Lottery C. Fund	-	55611		55,611	-
Global Fund- Children UK Trust	10,000			10,000	-
London Com. Response Funds	-	10000		10,000	-
Anti Tribalism Movments	15,000			15,000	-
Members contribution	1,074			1,074	2,395
Donations	100			100	16,125
Repayable funds	0			-	800
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>26,174</b>	<b>65,611</b>		<b>91,785</b>	<b>19,320</b>
Asset and investment sales, etc.					
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>26,174</b>	<b>65,611</b>		<b>91,785</b>	<b>19,320</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
RENT AND ROOM HIRE	800			800	733
VOLUNTEERS & S.WORKERS		3600		3,600	-
TELEPHONE	480			480	358
REPAIR-MAINT AND CLEANING	1,008			1,008	1,470
EVENTS				-	1597
CONSULTATION		2500		2,500	-
GRANT SHARING		30000		30,000	69
EDUCATIONAL & PUBLICITY	6			6	6
PROFESSIONAL FEES	300			300	-
SAFETY-FIRE ALARM		4158		4,158	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>2,594</b>	<b>40,258</b>		<b>42,852</b>	<b>4,233</b>
Equipment-Computer					75
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>2,594</b>	<b>40,258</b>	-	<b>42,852</b>	<b>4,308</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>23,580</b>	<b>25,353</b>	-	<b>48,933</b>	<b>15,012</b>
Adjustment of Funds	-	1,062	-	1,062	800
	24,091	-	-	24,091	8279
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>47,671</b>	<b>26,415</b>	-	<b>74,086</b>	<b>24,091</b>

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities at the end of the period 31/3/2021

## Eritrean Saho Community Association

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds (loan) to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Cash funds	NATWEST	47,671	26,415	-
	HSBC		56,277	-
	CASH			
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	<b>47,671</b>	<b>82,692</b>	<b>-</b>
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Other monetary assets	Details		-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
Liabilities	Details	Fund to which	Amount due	When due
	Property Purchase Plan-Loans	58,031	58,031	31/06/2021
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Abdulkadir I Abdullah (Chairman)	10/01/2022	
		Awelkheir Mohamed (Treasurer)	10/01/2022	

# ERITREAN SAHO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

### 1. Accounting Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

### 2. Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted funds are donations/contributions and other incomes received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available for general funds

### 3. Restricted Funds

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donors. Expenditure, which meets these criteria, is identified to the fund, together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

### 4. Management and Administration Costs

Management and administration costs relate to admin support to the charity. The trustees give all their time free of charge.

### 5. Depreciation:

Equipments/computers actual costs are depreciated 1/3 p.a. on a straight line basis.