

Wings of Hope Community Association

Charity Registration No. 1101624

Financial Statement for the Year Ended

31st March 2025

WINGS OF HOPE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Name of Charity: Wings of Hope Community Association

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WINGS OF HOPE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (TRUSTEES)

Introduction

The Management Committee (who are also the Trustees of the Wings of Hope Community Association) submit their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025. The Wings of Hope Association (Charity) was established on the 3rd of October 2002 and was incorporated as a Charity and its name was entered in the Charity Commission's Central Register on the 20th of January 2004.

Background

Wings of Hope Community Association is a refugee-led community organisation set up by people of North African and Sub Sahara Communities settled in North Westminster. The purpose of the charity is to enhance the well-being and life chances of children and young people, families and communities of North Westminster. We aspire to improve their life opportunities and contribute positively in building a safer, stronger, and more cohesive community where every person should have the opportunity to realise their potential whatever their life circumstances.

Objectives of the Wings of Hope Community Association

For the benefit of the inhabitants of Westminster and neighbouring Areas and in particular members of the African Community who are in hardship by:

- (a) Relieving poverty, sickness by through the provision of advice support and information to the said inhabitants in need of such advice that may include welfare benefits, counselling, health and education.
- (b) Advancing education and training in particular the provision of language and other subject classes.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity is constituted by a constitution. It is governed by the regulations set out in the constitution and run by a diverse Management Committee (who are also Trustees) with lived experiences from professional backgrounds in the field of Health, Community Development Work, the Arts and Media.

The Charity's Management Committee are elected by the membership every two years. The Management Committee members are briefed by the Chairperson and the General Secretary to familiarise themselves with the rules, regulations and responsibilities of the charity.

The Management Committee meets quarterly to review the activities of the charity including the approval of the annual accounts as well as budgets, capital expenditure and to set out the fund - raising date for the charity.

The day-to-day work of the charity is overseen by the Treasurer who is responsible to and reports to the Management Committee.

The Management Committee are aware of the potential risks to the charity, both financial and otherwise.

Therefore, strategies are in place to control these risks. Annual assessments are undertaken relating to fire and health and safety. The Management Committee are looking into other risk areas such as operational matters, governance and compliance with law and regulations.

Work of the Wing of Hope Community Association's Services, Activities and its Impact

Operating from our premises at Woodfield Road in North Westminster, the Charity delivers holistic services which supports children and young people, families and older people in the grassroot communities across North Westminster to assert and enjoy their rights and entitlements and to strive to achieve their life goals and aspirations.

The Charity responds to keep Families, Children and Young People and Refugee Communities safe, in good health and connected. Many of whom face complex life challenges and issues and often fall through the cracks of mainstream services. The Charity works collaboratively with the community and in close partnership with local agencies, Westminster City Council other local authorities across Westminster so as to ensure the community can services that meet their needs.

Services and Activities Delivered

Information and Advice Support Service

We support individuals, families and the wider BME and Refugee communities to try and rebuild their lives in a new country, especially when struggling to access the help and advice they need. Our services can provide information and advice on a range of issues including Welfare Benefits, Housing Advice, Consumer Matters, Access to Educational Opportunities and Cost-of-Living Support. We also offer translation and interpreting support in the users' languages.

Employment Advice and Training

We provide training for employment and employment related that helps local people to improve their employability chances to help them employment whether part or full time. We also run employment and job search training – CV writing, help writing job application forms, training for job interviews, access to email and the internet.

Services for BME Older People

We are working with older members of the black and other minority ethnic citizens, offering a unique understanding of their cultural, dietary and language needs through a programme of drop-in services that includes socialisation activities, activities with a cultural theme centred around storytelling, literature, music and the arts. Our activities promote independent and healthy living by providing a meeting point for vulnerable older people who experience isolation and loneliness and help them to connect with others.

Healthy Living Information Advice

We run a healthy living awareness programme to increase awareness of health issue and choices, healthy eating and opportunities to be active in a stimulating learning and fun environment. We also run a sports programme to increase the uptake of physical activities that leads to a healthier life.

After School Club

We provide a safe and stimulating environment where children can play, have fun and learn whilst being cared for by our qualified and experienced staff. We provide a comprehensive range of services that includes homework support, study support and supplementary education classes, life skills programme that reduces the pressure on parents and provides maximum benefits for the children.

Heritage Project – Impact of Foreign Food I W2

In partnership with the Heritage Fund, this project explored the impact of foreign food in West London. To help interview local people, business, food places our staff, volunteers undertaken an Oral history training to help collect data, feedback. The training was conducted by Digital Works Limited ranging from different styles of interviewing techniques to the use of professional standard recording equipment. Restaurant owners, staff and customers were interviewed, with the help of Digital Works the recordings were edited to produce a podcast to be deposited with Westminster Archives for the benefit of the community now in the future.

Financial Review

The financial position of the Charity is portrayed in the accompanying Annual Accounts.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statement for each financial year, which gives a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- (a) Select suitable accounting policies and apply consistently.
- (b) Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- (c) Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- (d) Disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- (e) Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Management Committee are responsible for keeping accounting records, which discloses with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reporting) regulations and the provisions laid out in the Charity's governing document. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Reserve Policy

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds, which have not been designated for a specific use, should be maintained at a level equivalent to at least three months expenditure. The Management Committee consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. Wings of Hope Community Association will actively work to achieve this level of reserves.

Risk Management

The Management Committee have assessed the risks the charity faces and have compiled a risk list which identified the major risks by area of activity, the nature of those risks, the likelihood of risks happening and the measures taken to manage them. The Management Committee review this list regularly at their meetings and at its meetings with employed staff running the services. The Management Committee are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. The finances of the Charity are kept under review. Appropriate DBS (Disclosure Barring services) Checks, supported by regular policy reviews are made for all those who work with children and other vulnerable groups with the Charity's activities.


Independent Examiner

According to the provisions of the Charities Act 2011, the Management Committee agree that an audit is not required for this financial year; however due to the provisions of the same act an Independent Examiner is required.

An Independent Examiner for the *ensuing year* will be appointed at the next AGM.

The Management Committee approved the *accounts* on the 20th of August 2025.

Signed on Behalf of the Management Committee:

Sign. 

Name: Ahmed Al-Mardi

Position: Chairperson

Date: 20/08/2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR
THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 set out on pages 7 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed. We report in respect of our examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination. I have followed all the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. We have confirmed that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Prepared by:

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Date: 20/08/2025

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NOTES TO HE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

1. Accounting Policies:

The Financial Statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevance note(s) to these accounts and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and with preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Standard applicable in the United Kingdom (FRS 102) issued on the 16th July 2016 and updated on the 16th September 2016 and with the Charities Act 2011. The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by the Charity Commission.

(a) Incoming Resources:

The Incoming resources represents grants, donations and any bank interest receivable. The total incoming resources of the Trust for the year have been derived from its principal activity undertaken in the United Kingdom and came from the following sources:

	2025		
	£	£	£
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
City Bridge Foundation	12,000	-	12,000
Foyle Foundation	5,000	-	5,000
Clothworkers Foundation	10,000	-	10,000
National Lottery – Heritage Fund	7,993	-	7,993
Self-Income Generation	-	4,000	4,000
Donations	-	3,000	3,000
Holden Charitable Trust	-	-	-
Sport England	-	-	-
CAF	-	5	5
Total:	£34,993	£7,005	£41,998

(b) Restricted Funds:

Restricted Funds are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the funding authority. Direct and support expenditure, which meets these criteria, is identified to the fund together with a fair allocation of other costs.

(c) Unrestricted Funds:

Unrestricted funds are received which have no restrictions placed in their use and are available as general funds.

2. Fixed Assets:

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset cost over its estimated useful life as follows:

Computer Equipment: 33% on Cost

3. Staffing Costs:

Salaries paid to employees who provided direct charitable services.

	<u>31/03/2025</u>
	(£)
Staffing Costs	£9,765

4. Management Committee:

None of the Management Committee members received any remuneration during the year.

6. Total Funds:

	<u>2025</u>
	(£)
Restricted Funds	164
Unrestricted Funds	450
<u>Total:</u>	<u>£614</u>

WINGS OF COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT – YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2025**

	Note	Restricted Funds (£)	Unrestricted Funds (£)	2025 (£) Total:
<u>Incoming Resources</u>	2			
Grants		34,993	5	34,993
Self-Income Generation		-	4,000	4,000
Donations received		-	3,000	3,000
Total Income Received		£34,993	£7,005	£41,998
<u>Resources Expended</u>				
<u>Staffing Costs</u>				
Salary Costs		9,765	-	9,765
<u>Direct Charitable Expenses</u>				
Office Rent & Utilities		12,074	-	12,074
Venue Hire Charge		1,200	-	1,200
Volunteers Expenses		5,869	-	5,869
Prof Fees – Trainers, Facilitator Fees		2,100	-	2,100
Meetings, Events, Workshop Costs		10,240	-	10,240
Publicity and Promotion		775	-	775
Childcare Support		1,250	-	1,250
Users Activities (Sports Activities)		2,326	-	2,326
Users Activities (Health Activities)		1,500	-	1,500
Refreshments		2,818	-	2,818
Exhibition Event Costs		2,950	-	2,950
Transport Costs		1,780	-	1,780
Food Event		1,000	-	1,000
Equipment		1,800	-	1,800
Monitoring and Evaluation		5,870	-	5,870
<u>Management & Administration</u>				
Admin & Management Support		-	5,480	5,460
Telephone & Broadband		-	575	575
Office Expenses Printing & Stationery		1,000	-	1,000
Insurance		148	-	148
Accountancy Service		-	500	500
Total Expenses:		£64,445	£6,555	£71,000
Surplus / (Deficit):		(29,452)	450	(£29,002)
B/B Forward @ 01/04/2024:		29,616	-	29,616
B/C Forward @ 01/04/2025:		164	450	614

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BALANCE SHEET - YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2025

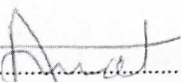
	Restricted Funds (£)	Unrestricted Funds (£)	2025 Total Funds
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank at 31/03/2025	139	475	614
Total Current Assets	£139	£475	£614

	Restricted Funds (£)	Unrestricted Funds (£)	2025 Total Funds
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year			
Sundry Creditors	-	-	-
Net Current Asset	139	475	614
Total Net Assets	£139	£475	£614

	2025 Total Funds
Funds Represented By:	
Restricted Funds	139
Unrestricted Funds	475
Total:	£614

We confirm that we have made available all relevant records, bills, vouchers, information and explanation for the preparation of the above balance sheet and the annexed Income and expenditure of the income and is also the correct state of the affairs of the Charity as of 31st March 2025

Approved by the Management Committee on the 20th of August 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Sign 

Name: Ahmed Al-Mardi

Position: Chairperson & Trustee

Date: 20/08/2025

Sign 

Name: Vienous Hassan

Position: Treasurer & Trustee