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ANNUAL REPORT

2024 – 2025

Connect Stars

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Connect Stars Annual General Meeting

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Safari Restaurant

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‘Empowering the Next Generation’

Connect Stars Annual Report

2024 – 2025

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Chair's Report

Mr Farah welcomed the participants of the meeting and conveyed how good it is seeing everyone in person and checking how everyone was keeping and thanking all with regards to the outstanding work and commitment for the past year. The chairman also mentioned that there were extra copies of the previous minutes and accounts and if anybody needed them, they can be electronically sent again. Mr Farah has stepped up as the Chairman for the second year running and has a long standing of the operations of the charity as a user all the way to becoming a chairman.

The chairman informed the gathering that the organisation was developing and improving its prospects of attracting funding, and this year has been a rewarding one for the charity.

Connect Stars have been re branding itself for some time now and this has improved the public image of the organisation, using social media effectively.

I would like to thank for all of those of you that have taken their time to come and be with us here tonight and also Connect Stars volunteers and staff in whom without their support we wouldn't be here. A big thank you to Muna Yusuf who is stepping down as a trustee after 5 years of dedication and drive in the organisation.

Abdikarim Farah

Chairman

Treasurer's Report

Introduction

The 2024/25 financial year has improved drastically from last financial year and this was due to the core funding we have received.

The report from the treasurer should be read in conjunction with the Accounts and Trustees Report for the year ending 31st March 2025.

Finance

The treasurer is satisfied with the Financial Statements that accompany this report. The following are some of the highlights:

Balance Sheet

The balance sheet is quite healthy.

The general reserve was £44,911 for the year ending 31st March 2025. That figure has been an improvement from last year and our auditor's advice that we should have a cash reserve equal to about three months operating expenditure has been achieved with careful planning. Connect Stars is now aiming at to sustain the general reserve to that recommended level, though it is known to be a difficult task due to some funding coming to an end.

Unless we make our provision for community advice and guidance funded projects Connect Stars will continue to stress its resources and burden its operating costs.

Income

The total income for the year is **£225,470** which came from our grant givers and donors.

Expenditure

Expenditure was in line with budgets of the projects under implementation which was relatively good this year as its slightly dropped from last financial year due to some projects coming to an end. Most of the expenditure was focuses on projects to be implemented and the core costs of the charity in relationship to its growing activities. The activities included After schools activities, youth engagements, career focused initiatives in additional further funding were secured for leadership projects.

Expense included operating costs, salaries, rent and utilities, adverts and promotion, volunteer expenses, sundries and repairs, and others such as printing, postage and stationery.

Cash flow

As the funding decreased, we had less problems with incoming cash flow and this has decreased the tensions we faced the previous years the difficulties with cash flow is getting better, but we had to maintain a rigorous expenditure in par to available in-hand funds.

Financial Issues

It's been a good financial year and no long-term financial issue that face the organisation:

Ahmed Jama

The treasurer

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

I AM Brent Programme

High-Level Activity Summary

During the financial year April 2024 to March 2025, Connect Stars played a key delivery role within the I AM Brent (MyEnds) programme, a place-based violence reduction initiative funded by the London Violence Reduction Unit (VRU). The programme focused on early intervention, prevention, and harm reduction for children and young people living in identified high-need areas across Brent, including Chalkhill, Church Road, Harlesden, Stonebridge, and St Raphael's.

Purpose and Approach

Connect Stars' delivery aimed to:

- Reduce young people's exposure to violence and harm
- Increase access to positive opportunities and trusted adult relationships
- Strengthen youth voice and engagement in community decision-making
- Support emotional wellbeing, healthy relationships, and safer behaviours

Delivery combined open-access youth provision, targeted mentoring, sports-based interventions, befriending and outreach, and youth forums, working closely with schools, families, and consortium partners.

Key Activities Delivered

Across the year, Connect Stars delivered a coordinated package of interventions including:

- Youth Clubs (Primary and Secondary)

Safe, structured spaces offering sports, group activities and wellbeing support for children and young people, particularly during after-school hours and school holidays.

- Mentoring at Youth Clubs

One-to-one and small-group mentoring for young people referred from youth clubs, schools and partner organisations, focused on emotional regulation, confidence, behaviour and trusted adult relationships.

- Safer Through Activity Together (STAT)

A structured, school-based programme for vulnerable Year 6 pupils, combining sports, mentoring, behaviour targets and regular feedback to schools and families to support healthy relationships and positive transitions.

- Befriending, Referral and Support

Street-based and community outreach targeting young people aged 16–25 experiencing isolation, disengagement or risk, offering immediate support, guidance and referrals to education, employment, housing and health services.

- Youth Forums

Facilitated forums enabling young people to express views on safety, community issues and service design, increasing youth voice and participation in local decision-making.

Impact and Outcomes

Throughout the year, Connect Stars engaged hundreds of children and young people through I AM Brent interventions. Outcomes achieved included:

- Increased engagement in positive activities and community spaces
- Improved emotional regulation, confidence and peer relationships
- Stronger feelings of safety and trust in adults
- Reduced isolation and improved access to support services
- Enhanced youth voice and leadership, particularly among under-represented groups

Quantitative outcome data and qualitative case studies demonstrated progress against key VRU outcome areas, including harm reduction, positive opportunities, and healthy relationship behaviours.

Partnership Working

Delivery was achieved through close partnership with:

- Local primary and secondary schools
- Sport at the Heart and other I AM Brent consortium members
- Families, carers and community stakeholders
- Brent Council and statutory partners

This collaborative approach ensured early identification of need, coordinated support pathways, and locally responsive delivery.

Governance and Learning

Connect Stars maintained robust safeguarding, data collection and monitoring processes throughout the year. Learning from delivery informed service improvement, strengthened referral pathways, and contributed to consortium-wide evaluation led by the Innovation Unit.

Conclusion

Connect Stars' I AM Brent delivery during 2024–25 contributed meaningfully to violence prevention, early intervention and community safety in Brent. The programme strengthened protective factors for children and young people while building trusted relationships, positive opportunities and safer community environments.

D.I.V.A. Programme Progress and Impact

- The D.I.V.A. Programme has continued to make strong progress since the last reporting period, successfully bringing together girls from across Brent and benefiting from the ongoing support of dedicated Senior D.I.V.A. mentors.
- **Delivered a series of successful workshops, providing participants with:**
 - Opportunities for skills development and personal growth
 - A platform for peer connection and networking
 - A safe, inclusive, and enjoyable environment where young people could build confidence and thrive
- **Programme delivery was strengthened through consistent support from Senior D.I.V.A.s, whose mentoring, leadership, and lived experience added significant value to each session.**
 - This ensured young people received tailored guidance and one-to-one support, helping them progress on their individual personal development journeys.
- **Organised and delivered a community food collection initiative in support of a local food bank, with participants:**
 - Collecting donation boxes
 - Designing and distributing promotional posters
 - Coordinating and managing the logistics of collecting and transporting donations
- **Successfully planned and delivered the D.I.V.A. Awards Ceremony, with participants taking responsibility for:**

- Selecting, preparing, and packing gift bags
- Visiting and preparing the venue
- Decorating the space and managing event set-up
- Senior D.I.V.A. leaders delegated specific roles to team members, promoting teamwork, leadership, and ownership, which contributed to a well-organised and successful event.
- Young people delivered individual presentations reflecting on their journey within the programme, demonstrating increased confidence, self-awareness, and the impact of their personal development to date.

Programme Delivery and Impact

- Delivered a range of **holiday programmes**, including youth clubs, football tournaments, and activities delivered in partnership with local organisations, providing a holistic youth offer.
- Engaged approximately **350 young people annually** through youth clubs and sports festivals, including **NFL Flag** and holiday football festivals.

Leadership and Volunteering

- Successfully delivered the **CALM Leadership Programme**, supporting **25 young people** to gain meaningful volunteering experience.
- Participants completed **skills-based workshops** and led social action projects, including:
 - Facilitating the **Summer Sports Festival**
 - Supporting the local food bank **Sufra**
 - Delivering community clean-up activities in **Stonebridge** and **Chalkhill**

Outreach and Detached Youth Work

- Provided targeted **outreach and detached youth work** for young people at risk of, or involved in, gang-related activity across:
 - Stonebridge
 - Church Road
 - Wembley Civic Centre
 - Chalkhill
- Conducted extensive engagement in public spaces (street corners, alleyways, benches) during warmer months, and within residential blocks across three estates during winter months.

Young Adult Support (18–30)

- Engaged **young adults aged 18–30** through sustained street-based outreach.
- Offered tailored support through:
 - Employment and enterprise pathways to support access to work
 - Referrals to specialist services, including **Addaction**, for substance misuse support
- Since its inception during lockdown, the project has highlighted significant inequalities affecting young adults, with ongoing weekly engagement providing consistent support.

Partnership Working and Safeguarding

- Worked closely with **Brent Council's Community Safety Team**, housing associations, and the **Metropolitan Police**.
- Adopted a **multi-agency approach** to safeguarding, incident response, and community safety.
- Collaborated with statutory service providers to deliver **direct, coordinated support** to young people and young adults.

Community Advice & Guidance

Advice and Support Services

- Advice sessions were delivered at the Stonebridge Hub, with a shift in focus towards digital support, helping residents to access and use online systems provided by:
 - Housing providers (including Hyde and Peabody)
 - Government portals and websites
- Residents were supported to:
 - Report repairs and service issues
 - Update changes in circumstances
 - Report anti-social behaviour
- This represented a significant improvement on the previous year, when the service was delivered largely remotely and proved challenging for many residents.
- Increased the number of volunteers and professional advisers supporting the Monday and Friday advice surgeries, with skilled professionals giving their time on a flexible basis.

- Worked closely with Brent Hub support services, referring complex and high-need cases to specialist teams based at:
 - Harlesden Library
 - Willesden Library
 - Kilburn Library

Key Advice Areas

The majority of advice sessions focused on the following issues:

- Utilities (gas, electricity, water, and telecommunications)
- Child Tax Credit
- Child Benefit
- State benefits, including:
 - Housing Benefit
 - Council Tax Support
 - Income Support
 - Jobseeker's Allowance
 - Employment and Support Allowance
 - Pension Credit
- Universal Credit
- Employment applications and job search support
- Cost of Living crisis
- Food and energy poverty

Service Delivery and Reach

- Advice sessions were delivered on Mondays and Fridays, with no appointment required on these days.
- For urgent cases outside these sessions, appointments were available on Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Sessions were typically delivered by two advice officers, with a significant proportion of cases arising from communication breakdowns between service providers and residents.
- Over 40 individuals accessed the advice service during the year, with many returning for ongoing or follow-up support.

FUNDING AGENCIES 2024-2025

STEP UP HUB

BRENT SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

THE LONDON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

WEMBLEY STADIUM FOUNDATION

HYDE HOUSING

PEABODY

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK

ARK ACADEMY

STREETGAMES

LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT

STREETGAMES

PARTNERS 2024 - 2025

Active Communities Network

Step Up Hub

Hilltop Circle

Young Brent Foundation

Sport at the Heart

London Youth



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Accounts and Trustees; Report
For the year ended 31 March 2025



Connect Stars

Legal and Administrative Expenses

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Status: The organisation is a registered charity and limited company by guarantee, incorporated on 6 October 2003.
N.B. please note that the charity changed its name on 01.04.2024

Charity number: 1104934

Company number: 4921997

Management committee:

Abdikarim Farah	-	Chairman
Ahmed Jama	-	Treasurer
Ayan Ali	-	Member
Ahmed Musa	-	Member

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Director/Chairman: Abdikarim Farah

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Trustees' Report

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Objective

The objective of Connect Stars is to provide a holistic range of support services to the black and ethnic minorities and Refugee Communities in West London and contribute towards a positive and well-balanced integration with host community to access public services especially in education and recreation.

Legal structure

Connect Stars is a registered charity company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated October 2003.

Financial statements

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity company, submit their trustees' report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Policies:

Reserve policy:

The charitable company currently operates with minimal general reserves. The trustees are endeavouring to build up its donor base with a view to having sufficient reserves in order to continue its operations.

Risk(s) review:

The trustees have recently reviewed the major risks faced by the charitable company. This has resulted in efforts to increase charity's donor base to build general reserves.

Trustees Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees oversee preparation of financial statements, select suitable accounting policies and make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent to give the true state of affairs of the charity.

Connect Stars

Trustees' Report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company. They are elected and replaced as set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Activities and Achievements


The charity is managed by elected trustee members, a Program Coordinator and a good number of volunteers, part-time youth worker and sports coaches. The office is open from Monday to Friday between 9.00 am and 4.00pm, and youth clubs in the evenings.

The core of the charity's work continues to be educational, youth engagement projects for junior teams and recreational development amongst young people from refugee communities and fighting against early offending and anti-social behaviour. Our plans for the short term include enhancing and building on the strong foundation already started and increasing initiatives and activities that compliments the needs of those who are at risk of offending, school exclusions, early dropouts and anti-social activities.

Funding

The charity is generously funded by Step Up Hub, John Lyons Charity, LB of Brent, Step Up Hub, Hyde Housing, Peabody, Wembley Stadium Foundation, The London Community Foundation, Lottery Funding, Active Communities Network, Ark Academy, London Sport and other organisations which made possible the initiation and continuation of this service to break the barrier for the children of Ethnic Minorities, young refugees and their families.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf by:


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Chairman

Date: 17th December 2025

Abdikarim Farah

6 Hillside

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Connect Stars
Independent Examiner's Report
For the year ending 31 March 2025

I have examined the accounts on pages 5 to 6 which have been prepared on the accruals basis.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention, which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities; have not been met

Issa Associates

Date: 17th December 2025

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CONNECT STARS

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
<i>Income</i>				
<i>Grants and Donations</i>	28,170	197,300	225,470	267,044
	<u>28,170</u>	<u>197,300</u>	<u>225,470</u>	<u>267,044</u>
<i>Expenditure</i>				
Admin costs	-	-	-	2,098
Leadership programmes	-	5,850	5,850	18,910
Community awareness events	-	18,727	18,727	10,954
Youth, football & Outreach activities	-	51,574	51,574	53,776
Schools support activities	-	-	-	4,452
Employment and careers advice	-	23,096	23,096	20,500
Wages & salaries	13,033	37,059	50,092	89,367
Rent and facilities hire	-	6,363	6,363	12,700
Travel and subsistence	1,295	-	1,295	885
Holiday programme & events	-	30,552	30,552	32,725
Legal & Professional fees	1,776	-	1,776	852
Consultancy and Training	-	6,000	6,000	12,725
Telephone and internet charges	5,177	-	5,177	4,755
Printing, postage and stationery	3,111	-	3,111	3,338
Volunteer expenses	3,195	-	3,195	2,430
Marketing and promotion	702	-	702	660
Insurance	293	-	293	-
Depreciation charge	-	-	-	914
Total expenditure	<u>28,583</u>	<u>179,220</u>	<u>207,803</u>	<u>272,041</u>
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(412)	18,080	17,667	(4,998)
Fund balances at 1 April 2024	<u>7,949</u>	<u>19,295</u>	<u>27,244</u>	<u>32,241</u>
Fund balance as at 31 March 2025	<u><u>7,537</u></u>	<u><u>37,374</u></u>	<u><u>44,911</u></u>	<u><u>27,244</u></u>

CONNECT STARS

Balance Sheet


For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	£	2025 £	£	2024 £
<i>Fixed Assets:</i>					
Computers and equipment	3		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
			-		-
<i>Current Assets:</i>					
Debtors	4	17,102		12,640	
Cash in hand		<u>28,408</u>		<u>15,204</u>	
		45,511		27,844	
<i>Current liabilities payable within 1 year:</i>					
Creditors and accruals	5	<u>(600)</u>		<u>(600)</u>	
<i>Net Current Assets</i>			<u>44,911</u>		<u>27,244</u>
<i>Total Assets less current liabilities</i>			<u>44,911</u>		<u>27,244</u>
<i>Funds:</i>					
Restricted Funds			37,374		19,295
Unrestricted Funds			<u>7,537</u>		<u>7,949</u>
			<u>44,911</u>		<u>27,244</u>

For the financial year ended 31 March 2025, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006; and no notice has been deposited under s476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with s386 and preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to small companies' regime. The financial statements on pages 1 to 6 were approved by the board and signed on their behalf by:


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Treasurer
Ahmed Jama

Date: 11 December 2025

CONNECT STARS

Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2025

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2015), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" and applicable accounting standards.

2 Accounting Policies

A summary of the principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year is set out below.

2.1 *Income and expenditure*

All income and expenditure is accounted for on accrual basis.

2.2 *Fund Accounting*

General funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by donors.

2.2 *Tangible Fixed assets and Depreciation*

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost.

Provision for depreciation of fixed assets held for use by the charity is made at an annual rate of 25% on straight line basis.

2.3 *Status*

The organisation is a registered charity & company limited by guarantee. The members are the trustees named on page 1. The liability in respect of the guarantee, as set out in the Memorandum, is limited to £1 per member of the company.

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Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2025

3	Tangible Fixed Assets		
		Office equipment	Total
	Costs	£	£
	At 1 April 2024	24,123	24,123
	Additions	-	-
	At 31 March 2025	<u>24,123</u>	<u>24,123</u>
	Depreciation		
	At 1 April 2024	24,123	24,123
	Charge for the year	-	-
	At 31 March 2025	<u>24,123</u>	<u>24,123</u>
	Net Book value		
	At 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
4	Debtors	2025	2024
		£	£
	Other debtors	<u>17,102</u>	<u>12,640</u>
		<u>17,102</u>	<u>12,640</u>
5	Creditors and accruals	2025	2024
		£	£
	Other creditors	<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>
		<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>



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Employment and careers advice	-	23,096	23,096	20,500
Wages & salaries	13,033	37,059	50,092	89,367
Rent and facilities hire	-	6,363	6,363	12,700
Travel and subsistence	1,295	-	1,295	885
Holiday programme & events	-	30,552	30,552	32,725
Legal & Professional fees	1,776	-	1,776	852
Consultancy and Training	-	6,000	6,000	12,725
Telephone and internet charges	5,177	-	5,177	4,755
Printing, postage and stationery	3,111	-	3,111	3,338
Volunteer expenses	3,195	-	3,195	2,430
Marketing and promotion	702	-	702	660
Insurance	293	-	293	-
Depreciation charge	-	-	-	914
Total expenditure	<u>28,583</u>	<u>179,220</u>	<u>207,803</u>	<u>272,041</u>
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(412)	18,080	17,667	(4,998)
Fund balances at 1 April 2024	7,949	19,295	27,244	32,241
Fund balance as at 31 March 2025	<u><u>7,537</u></u>	<u><u>37,374</u></u>	<u><u>44,911</u></u>	<u><u>27,244</u></u>

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Balance Sheet


For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	£	2025 £	£	2024 £
<i>Fixed Assets:</i>					
Computers and equipment	3		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
			-		-
<i>Current Assets:</i>					
Debtors	4	17,102		12,640	
Cash in hand		<u>28,408</u>		<u>15,204</u>	
		45,511		27,844	
<i>Current liabilities payable within 1 year:</i>					
Creditors and accruals	5	<u>(600)</u>		<u>(600)</u>	
<i>Net Current Assets</i>			<u>44,911</u>		<u>27,244</u>
<i>Total Assets less current liabilities</i>			<u>44,911</u>		<u>27,244</u>
<i>Funds:</i>					
Restricted Funds			37,374		19,295
Unrestricted Funds			<u>7,537</u>		<u>7,949</u>
			<u>44,911</u>		<u>27,244</u>

For the financial year ended 31 March 2025, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006; and no notice has been deposited under s476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with s386 and preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to small companies' regime. The financial statements on pages 1 to 6 were approved by the board and signed on their behalf by:


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Treasurer
Ahmed Jama

Date: 11 December 2025

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Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2025

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2015), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" and applicable accounting standards.

2 Accounting Policies

A summary of the principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year is set out below.

2.1 *Income and expenditure*

All income and expenditure is accounted for on accrual basis.

2.2 *Fund Accounting*

General funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by donors.

2.2 *Tangible Fixed assets and Depreciation*

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost.

Provision for depreciation of fixed assets held for use by the charity is made at an annual rate of 25% on straight line basis.

2.3 *Status*

The organisation is a registered charity & company limited by guarantee. The members are the trustees named on page 1. The liability in respect of the guarantee, as set out in the Memorandum, is limited to £1 per member of the company.

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Notes to the Accounts

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3	Tangible Fixed Assets		
		Office equipment	Total
	Costs	£	£
	At 1 April 2024	24,123	24,123
	Additions	-	-
	At 31 March 2025	<u>24,123</u>	<u>24,123</u>
	Depreciation		
	At 1 April 2024	24,123	24,123
	Charge for the year	-	-
	At 31 March 2025	<u>24,123</u>	<u>24,123</u>
	Net Book value		
	At 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
4	Debtors	2025	2024
		£	£
	Other debtors	<u>17,102</u>	<u>12,640</u>
		<u>17,102</u>	<u>12,640</u>
5	Creditors and accruals	2025	2024
		£	£
	Other creditors	<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>
		<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>