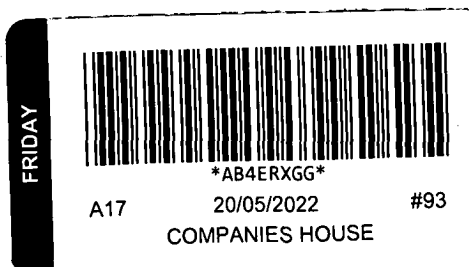


Charity Registration No. 1110403

Company Registration No. 05425527 (England and Wales)

CANAAN PROJECT
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021



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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Hannah Genn Rebecca White Bethany Jennings Naznin Robinson Barbara Workman
Charity number	1110403
Company number	05425527
Principal address	Lansbury Lodge 117 Ricardo Street London E14 6EQ
Registered office	Lansbury Lodge 117 Ricardo Street London E14 6EQ
Independent examiner	Richard F Hopper 4 Rhodfa Clawdd Offa Denbigh Denbighshire LL16 4RJ

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's constitution, the Companies Act 2006 and "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

The charity's objects are to promote the provision of recreational facilities and education in life skills. The policies adopted in furtherance of these objects are the provision of activities for vulnerable children and young people, and there has been no change in these during the year.

The Project's aims are to work collaboratively with marginalised girls and young women in Tower Hamlets to see them flourish, have broadened horizons and raised aspirations, by providing experiences and opportunities through innovative approaches to youth work.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

We have impacted a total of 41 young women in both the Bethnal Green and Isle of Dogs areas of Tower Hamlets this year; however, as with much of society, our work has continued to be greatly disrupted by the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Between September and December 2020 we finalised the handover of our sessions in Bethnal Green and were grateful to be able to run our final sessions in Morpeth School in person. We handed over to local youth worker Jessica Lawrence from St Pauls Old Ford. Our work is now fully focused on the Isle of Dogs -- primarily with George Greens school, and for the majority of this year the sessions have been online.

Lunch Clubs:

George Greens School

From September we ran a weekly online girls club, attended by 10 young women in year 7. Although schools returned in person in February 2021, at the request of the school we continued our provision online. These sessions returned in person in April. As part of our online provision we ran a project called 'Her Story', working with young women to journal through their experiences as we explored identity and aspirations. Afterwards young women told us they now 'had the tools to look after themselves' and that they felt 'special and valuable'. 100% of attendees told us they 'felt more comfortable in their own skin' and one young woman reflected that she had 'learnt how to be real and that she could be herself'.

During the Summer term we worked with a group of 6 girls to develop their volunteering skills. These young women then went on to plan and run parts of our summer programme. 80% of the young women attending told us they felt more confident to try new things and 100% said they felt better able to sort out problems with family and friends.

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Mentoring:

We partnered with XLP to run group mentoring sessions in George Greens school between March and June, after which we took over the running of the mentoring programme taking direct referrals from the school's social worker. This has enabled us to ensure that our support is targeted to the most vulnerable young women and allowed us to feed into the school's wider safeguarding strategy. We are now supporting 3 young women with weekly mentoring, with a further young woman waiting to begin.

Trips/Residentials:

As we were not able to run a residential this year we ran a two-day summer programme at a local community centre on the Isle of Dogs. 16 young people attended these days. We were also able to run a trip to Go Ape during the summer holidays and two picnic trips in the local area.

Staff

As we finished our handover in Bethnal Green in December 2020 we now employ only one Young Women's Worker. Our Project Manager went on maternity leave in December 2020 and we decided to split the role into two posts, so now employ a Project Manager and Senior Young Women's Worker. We also continue to employ one Finance and Office Administrator.

Financial review

The income and expenditure of the charity for the year and its financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached accounts. Our income for the 2020/21 year was always expected to be lower than previous due to handing over work at Morpeth Secondary School to another charity. The trustees consider the financial position to be satisfactory and are grateful for the work put in by Richard Lucas and then Barbara Workman as honorary treasurer and Rahmatolla Tavakkoli as finance administrator.

We would like to thank our funders and volunteers who showed generosity, forbearance and flexibility through such an unpredictable year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Several of these funders also allowed us to carry over funds which were not able to be spent due to the Covid-19 lockdown. With deep gratitude we would like to thank: Imagine IF, Three Oaks, London Youth QM, Marsh Christian Trust, Henry Smith, Mercers Trust, BBC Children in Need, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Charles S French, Woodward Charitable Trust, Albert Hunt Trust, Co-Op Community Fund, EECF Small Grants, Tower Hill Trust, Virgin Money Foundation, Garfield Weston, London City Airport Fund, Canary Wharf Group, Anchor Foundation and Hill Dickinson.

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 between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees 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. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. This includes the safeguarding of vulnerable young people.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Richard Lucas (Resigned 19 February 2021)

Hannah Genn

Danielle Goodwin (Resigned 5 October 2020)

Rebecca White

Bethany Jennings

Naznin Robinson

Barbara Workman

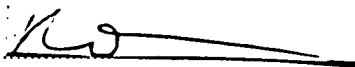
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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up. New trustees are appointed with the agreement of the existing trustees.

The charity is overseen by the trustees, with four paid members of staff and the essential help of volunteer workers in Tower Hamlets.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Rebecca White

Trustee

Dated: 18 May 2022

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CANAAN PROJECT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Canaan Project (the charity) for the year ended 31 August 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

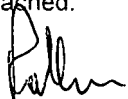
Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.



Richard F Hopper

Chartered Accountant

4 Rhodfa Clawdd Offa
Denbigh
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Dated: 19 May 2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	2,743	-	2,743	2,939	-	2,939
Charitable activities	4	53,479	38,992	92,471	51,736	61,227	112,963
Investments	5	6	-	6	98	-	98
Total income		56,228	38,992	95,220	54,773	61,227	116,000
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	6	42,058	31,773	73,831	48,943	62,553	111,496
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		14,170	7,219	21,389	5,830	(1,326)	4,504
Fund balances at 1 September 2020		70,914	2,260	73,174	65,084	3,586	68,670
Fund balances at 31 August 2021		85,084	9,479	94,563	70,914	2,260	73,174

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		1,119		1,000
Current assets					
Debtors	11	2,120		749	
Cash at bank and in hand		102,905		93,799	
		<u>105,025</u>		<u>94,548</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(11,581)		(22,374)	
Net current assets			93,444		72,174
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>94,563</u>		<u>73,174</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds	14		9,479		2,260
Unrestricted funds			85,084		70,914
			<u>94,563</u>		<u>73,174</u>


The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 August 2021.

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

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 18 May 2022



Rebecca White
Trustee

Company Registration No. 05425527

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Canaan Project is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Lansbury Lodge, 117 Ricardo Street, London, E14 6EQ.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Resources expended

Financial liabilities and expenditure are recognised in the accounts at the time when a commitment to make payment is incurred.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures, fittings & equipment	25% p.a. on cost
Computers	25% p.a. on cost

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations and gifts	1,087	2,939
Coronavirus grant income	1,656	-
	<u>2,743</u>	<u>2,939</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

4 Charitable activities

	Grants receivable 2021 £	Grants receivable 2020 £
Performance related grants	92,471	112,963
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	53,479	51,736
Restricted funds	38,992	61,227
	92,471	112,963

5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Interest receivable	6	98

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

6 Charitable activities

	Youth activities 2021 £	Youth activities 2020 £
Staff costs	55,709	89,428
Direct project costs	4,883	10,787
	<u>60,592</u>	<u>100,215</u>
Share of support costs (see note 7)	12,184	10,214
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	1,055	1,067
	<u>73,831</u>	<u>111,496</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	42,058	48,943
Restricted funds	31,773	62,553
	<u>73,831</u>	<u>111,496</u>
For the year ended 31 August 2020		
Unrestricted funds	48,943	
Restricted funds	62,553	
	<u>111,496</u>	

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

7 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2021	Support costs	Governance costs	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	4,880	-	4,880	4,709	-	4,709
Depreciation	681	-	681	505	-	505
Premises and equipment expenses	4,598	-	4,598	2,556	-	2,556
Administrative expenses	2,025	-	2,025	2,444	-	2,444
Accountancy	-	960	960	-	948	948
Trustees' expenses	-	95	95	-	119	119
	<u>12,184</u>	<u>1,055</u>	<u>13,239</u>	<u>10,214</u>	<u>1,067</u>	<u>11,281</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>12,184</u>	<u>1,055</u>	<u>13,239</u>	<u>10,214</u>	<u>1,067</u>	<u>11,281</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiner of £960 (2020- £948) for independent examination and accountancy fees.

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year.

9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Youth work	4	4
Administration	1	1
Total	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

Employment costs

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	55,865	86,628
Social security costs	1,556	3,028
Other pension costs	3,168	4,481
	<u>60,589</u>	<u>94,137</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

10 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Computers	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 September 2020	401	4,164	4,565
Additions	-	800	800
Disposals	-	(449)	(449)
At 31 August 2021	401	4,515	4,916
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 September 2020	375	3,190	3,565
Depreciation charged in the year	24	657	681
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(449)	(449)
At 31 August 2021	399	3,398	3,797
Carrying amount			
At 31 August 2021	2	1,117	1,119
At 31 August 2020	26	974	1,000

11 Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other debtors	135	69
Prepayments and accrued income	1,985	680
	2,120	749

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2021	2020
		£	£
Deferred income	13	7,000	19,692
Trade creditors		2,144	-
Other creditors		1,477	1,654
Accruals		960	1,028
		11,581	22,374

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

13 Deferred income

	2021 £	2020 £
Other deferred income	7,000	19,692

Deferred income is grant income received from funders which they intend to be spent in the next financial year.

14 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 September 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 August 2021 £
Youth workers	-	57,767	(57,767)	-	38,992	(31,167)	7,825
Other direct project costs	3,263	3,460	(4,625)	2,098	-	(446)	1,652
Equipment	323	-	(161)	162	-	(160)	2
	<u>3,586</u>	<u>61,227</u>	<u>(62,553)</u>	<u>2,260</u>	<u>38,992</u>	<u>(31,773)</u>	<u>9,479</u>

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Fund balances at 31 August 2021 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	1,117	2	1,119	838	162	1,000
Current assets/ (liabilities)	83,967	9,477	93,444	70,076	2,098	72,174
	<u>85,084</u>	<u>9,479</u>	<u>94,563</u>	<u>70,914</u>	<u>2,260</u>	<u>73,174</u>

16 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 - none).