
	KARIBU African Women's Support Group	<p>Burlington Baptist Hall Burlington Road Ipswich Suffolk IP1 2EU Tel: 01473487004 Mob: 07751660833 Email: karibu_wsg@yahoo.co.uk Website: www.karibuawsg.com Charity No. 1122028</p>	
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KARIBU AFRICAN WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP'S TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2024

**Register Office: Burlington Baptist Church Hall Burlington Road Ipswich
Suffolk IP1 2EU**

Charity Number: 1122028

Trustees:

Mrs Elizabeth Adejuwon
Ms Belinda Maskell
Miss Secilia Ausiku
Mrs Adebunkola Ifejika
Miss Anita Harris-Eze
Miss Maria Mamabolo

Structure, Governance and Management:

KARIBU was set up in March of 2005 and became a registered charity by constitution in December 2007. Our earlier trustees were appointed by their peers and the new ones on merit and in the recognition of their passion and contributions to the development and achievement of the Charity.

The day to day running of the charity's projects and delivery of activities is done by the team of our Manager, the Administrative Officer, Community Engagement Officer, Sessional Workers with the support of a host of Volunteers and very committed Board of Trustees of the Charity.

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the objects of KARIBU African Women's Support Group as set out in our governing document:

"Promoting family values and taking pride in our heritage"

- Object 1: To relieve any charitable need of African women and children in the UK in particular but not exclusively:

The relief of financial need and sickness:

The advancement of education:

The promotion of racial and religious harmony.

Some of the activities we carry out in relation to these objects:

In pursuit of our objects:

- We continue to inform and advice our members and service users on the information we gather through networking, from statutory organisations and other sources.
- We offer Peer Support to each other and reach out to those who are referred to us or we are called upon to help and those who come to us seeking help or advice.
- We run a Saturday term time supplementary school with lessons in English, Mathematics, basic Science, art and craft and culturally based activities like dancing, cooking, drumming & storytelling. We also run workshops and activities for our adult population and collaborate with other like-minded organisations in the community.
- With the cooperation of our members and volunteers we organise activities and attend events to commemorate and celebrate historical and current events. Such as African History Month, International Women's Day; hold stalls for information and promotion of the charity etc.
- We network with other organisations by participating in several meetings and events during the year, to ensure that all our members are kept informed of events and activities in and around Suffolk.

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements and disappointments of the charity during 2023 / 2024:

- We have continued to maintain a very strong presence within Ipswich and have remained as a reference point for the local African and ethnic minority communities. We ran health and well-being activities which benefit very diverse set of participants, such as Mindfulness, Food and Mood, Dance and Exercise.
- Hosted amazing and well attended events to celebrate International Women's Day, Africa's Day, joined in celebration of Various Communities' Days' events. And organised different events to

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celebrate African History Month, such as Jollof rice extravaganza, Gospel night and Culture and Heritage Day.

- Our Saturday Supplementary School continues to be popular and appreciated by parents as a community service. With the help, support and encouragement of dedicated educators, we continue to see tangible improvement in the attending children; with huge improvement in their confidence and social skills particularly as most of the children come from homes where they have English as their second language. We ran workshops in Swahili language and African cooking, and baking over the summer and took part in the annual Global Rhythm. It is always a joy to see our wards bonding and forming great friendships. We were very pleased to see many of our old former students came to visit this year. And we are also very proud to mention that four of our 16 years old did excellently well in the GCSEs with highly impressive grades and two more of our former supplementary school pupils joined the Hall of Fame by graduating with degrees from the University. Congratulations to Hameed and Morike!
- Karibu continues to provide members of the female African population and other ethnic minority communities with effective help and peers' support, meet and connect with one another to share in each other's experiences and encourage each other to make personal individual progress and development.
- Karibu is happy to add to its board two very conscientious ladies. One of which we are proud to say is a former student of Karibu Supplementary School!
- Karibu is equally happy that as a testament of our hard work, inclusiveness, professionalism and empathy and what's more a general acceptance we now have many adult males accessing our activities
- We continue to help and support all different groups emerging within the African communities. We work in collaboration with other organisations such as Community Action Suffolk, Refugee Support, African Cultural Forum, Suffolk Black Forum, Inside Out Communities, Arts O'lam, Ladies of Vision and Lighthouse. Karibu remains a very important part of Ipswich Community and is often the first point of call for enquiries from outside the County and by the Social Services when there is an African person in need of peer support. Karibu remains the CHAMPION of the Africans and other Minority Ethnic communities and children in Ipswich. The highlight of our year has always been the annual Gospel Night, and this year's was no exception with our special guest - His Worshipful the Mayor of Ipswich in attendance with scores of other people worshipping in His Praise.

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- Another highlight of our year is in the boost of three years of grant secured from the National Lottery Community Funding of £127,509.00! Which has given us the stability of core funding we greatly need for the next foreseeable future.

Disappointment:

- It is still with great disappointment that we have not gotten and own an exclusive premises for office, exhibition and activities base.
- We were also very disappointed by the government's decision that led to the discontinuation of our Refugees Integration Project.

Financial Information

- We are most grateful to all our funders especially, National Lottery Community Fund, Suffolk Community Foundation's, Suffolk County Council, Peoples Health Lottery who have all funded us during this period and without whose support we couldn't have done much. The Charity raised a total of £57,958.16 during the financial year and a total expenditure of £35,665.81 during the same period

Appreciation

- We are very grateful to our Landlords - Burlington Baptist Church for their understanding, help and support in making it a lot easier for us by offering amazing discounts on the use of the halls and our office space. We are very grateful to all our volunteers, sessional and regular staff and board of trustees who all make a fantastic team. We also thank our colleagues from other organisations and all our service users especially the ladies and gentlemen who attend our health and well-being activities on Mondays and Thursdays. Special appreciation goes to our chairperson, Ms Belinda Maskell, Treasurer Miss Ausiku, & Trustee, Miss Mamabolo who continue to do so much for us despite their own personal workloads.
- Thank you everyone we couldn't have done it without you all!!!

Other information:

It is our hope that KARIBU will continue to perform its unique role amongst its members, other ethnic minorities, service users and the British public at large.

Karibu's 23 / 24 Trustees Report

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KARIBU FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31st of March 2024

PRIOR YEAR

Income	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Ipswich Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,317.00	£2,317.00
SCC (Engaged Communities)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,549.72	£2,549.72
Covid Memorial	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£5,558.00	£5,558.00
Suffolk Community (Co-op)	£0.00	£3,992.00	£3,992.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
SCF Food and Mood	£0.00	£2,054.16	£2,054.16	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Groundwork UK	£0.00	£500.00	£500.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
SCC RASIF (KIP/ASP)	£0.00	£23,417.00	£23,417.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
New Lottery Communities Fund	£0.00	£20,164.00	£20,164.00	£0.00	£661.00	£661.00
Mrs D Rope	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£4,185.00	£4,185.00
The Henry Smith	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,770.00	£1,770.00
People's Health Trust	£0.00	£4,853.00	£4,853.00	£0.00	£7,778.00	£7,778.00
SCF - Frank Jackson Fund	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£4,800.00	£4,800.00
East Suffolk Together Fund	£0.00	£882.00	£882.00	£0.00	£2,648.00	£2,648.00
ASDA	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£800.00	£800.00
Garfield Weston	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£3,000.00	£3,000.00
Suffolk Community Foundation	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£787.10	£787.10
Generated Fund	£2,096.00	£0.00	£2,096.00	£1,098.28	£0.00	£1,098.28
Total Income	£2,096.00	£55,862.16	£57,958.16	£1,098.28	£36,853.82	£37,952.10

Expenditure	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Activity Materials	£23.59	£1,049.68	£1,073.27	£14.93	£698.42	£713.35
Advertising and Promotion	£0.00	£150.58	£150.58	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Education & Learning	£0.00	£2,810.34	£2,810.34	£0.00	£70.00	£70.00
Events / Workshops	£264.26	£2,127.91	£2,392.17	£0.00	£2,085.18	£2,085.18
Office / MISC Expenses	£21.73	£151.98	£173.71	£28.00	£37.00	£65.00
Insurance	£0.00	£179.20	£179.20	£0.00	£179.20	£179.20
Professional Fees	£0.00	£890.00	£890.00	£0.00	£1,288.00	£1,288.00
Refreshments	£161.11	£1,782.81	£1,943.92	£0.00	£189.87	£189.87
Rent and Premises Hire	£0.00	£4,652.22	£4,652.22	£0.00	£2,828.00	£2,828.00
Salary / Sessional Fees	£350.00	£18,127.00	£18,477.00	£0.00	£16,784.00	£16,784.00
Stationary and Postage	£25.27	£138.23	£163.50	£0.99	£231.92	£232.91
Travel / Volunteer Expenses	£491.73	£1,392.97	£1,884.70	£187.50	£1,110.40	£1,297.90
Telecom and Internet	£0.00	£288.73	£288.73	£139.39	£164.27	£303.66
Office Equipment	£0.00	£586.47	£586.47	£0.00	£1,022.73	£1,022.73
Total Expenditure	£1,337.69	£34,328.12	£35,665.81	£370.81	£26,688.99	£27,059.80

Karibu balance as at 31 March 2023 £2,746.26 £36,157.45 £38,903.71

Karibu balance as at 31 March 2024 £3,504.57 £57,691.49 £61,196.06

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The financial Statement for KARIBU is a true and fair reflection of the account for the period 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Signed:



20.06.2024



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2023

To

31/03/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Ipswich Borough Council	-	-	-	-	2,317
Suffolk County Council	-	-	-	-	2,550
Suffolk Community (Co-op)	-	3,992	-	3,992	-
SCF (Food and Mood)	-	2,054	-	2,054	-
Groundwork UK	-	500	-	500	-
SCC RASIF (KIP/ASP)	-	23,417	-	23,417	-
Colchester Borough Council	-	-	-	-	-
Lottery Communities Fund	-	20,164	-	20,164	661
Mrs D Rope	-	-	-	-	4,185
The Henry Smith	-	-	-	-	1,770
People's Health Trust	-	4,853	-	4,853	7,778
SCF - Frank Jackson Fund	-	-	-	-	4,800
East Suffolk Together Fund	-	882	-	882	2,648
ASDA	-	-	-	-	800
Garfield Weston	-	-	-	-	3,000
Suffolk Community Foundation	-	-	-	-	787
Covid Memorial	-	-	-	-	5,558
Generated Fund	2,096	-	-	2,096	1,098
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,096	55,862	-	57,958	37,952
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,096	55,862	-	57,958	37,952
A3 Payments					
Activity materials	24	1,050	-	1,074	713
Advertising and promotion	-	151	-	151	-
Education and learning	-	2,810	-	2,810	70
Events / Workshops	264	2,128	-	2,392	2,085
Office and sundry expenses	22	152	-	174	65
Insurance	-	179	-	179	179
Professional fees	-	890	-	890	1,288
Refreshments	161	1,783	-	1,944	190
Rent and premises hire	-	4,652	-	4,652	2,828
Salary / Sessional fees	350	18,127	-	18,477	16,784
Stationary and postage	25	138	-	163	233
Travel / Volunteer expenses	492	1,393	-	1,885	1,298
Telecom and internet	-	289	-	289	303
Covid household support	-	586	-	586	-
Sub total	1,338	34,328	-	35,666	26,036
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Office equipment	-	-	-	-	1,023
Sub total	-	-	-	-	1,023
Total payments	1,338	34,328	-	35,666	27,059
Net of receipts/(payments)	758	21,534	-	22,292	10,893
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,746	36,158	-	38,904	28,011
Cash funds this year end	3,504	57,692	-	61,196	38,904



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	Karibu African Women's Support Group		
On accounts for the year ended	31/3/2024	Charity no (if any)	1122028
Set out on pages	1 and 2 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/3/2024**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:  Date: 31/7/2024

Name: Simon Sturman

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

FCCA

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	3,504	57,692	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,504	57,692	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	