

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1123021

Details

Other names AYDA

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [06358991](#)

Registered 2008-02-29

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

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Activities

Objects: 1 TO ADVANCE IN LIFE AND RELIEVE NEEDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH: A) THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES PROVIDED IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE, DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE; B) PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES WHICH DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS. 2 TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES, SO AS TO DEVELOP THEIR CAPABILITIES THAT THEY MAY GROW TO FULL MATURITY AS INDIVIDUALS AND MEMBERS OF SOCIETY. 2 TO ACT AS A RESOURCE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE UP TO THE AGE OF 21 LIVING IN THE UK BY PROVIDING ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE AND ORGANISING PROGRAMMES OF PHYSICAL, EDUCATIONAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES AS A MEANS OF: A) ADVANCING IN LIFE AND HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE BY DEVELOPING THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS INDEPENDENT, MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS; B) ADVANCING EDUCATION; C) RELIEVING UNEMPLOYMENT; D) PROVIDING RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITY IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR PEOPLE LIVING IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT WHO HAVE NEED BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABILITY, POVERTY OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES WITH A VIEW TO IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF SUCH PERSONS.

Activities: Safeguards by raising awareness of Female Genital Multilation (FGM) Develop & provide workshops to impart leadership and management skills to all young people including those with learning difficulties; Provide advise and support for parents and young people who are isolated and have no familial bonds; Facilitate community network support group to build bridges across communities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UK
- Algeria
- Angola
- Benin
- Botswana
- Burkina Faso
- Burundi
- Cameroon
- Central African Republic
- Chad
- Comoros
- Congo
- Djibouti
- Egypt
- Equatorial Guinea
- Eritrea
- Eswatini
- Ethiopia
- Gabon
- Ghana
- Guinea
- Guinea-bissau
- Ivory Coast
- Kenya
- Lesotho
- Liberia
- Libya
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mali
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Morocco
- Mozambique

- Namibia
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Rwanda
- Senegal
- Seychelles
- Sierra Leone
- Somalia
- South Africa
- Sudan
- São Tomé And Príncipe
- Tanzania
- The Gambia
- Togo
- Tunisia
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe
- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£68,122	£59,678	-	-
2024-09-30	£56,839	£35,451	-	-
2023-09-30	£27,655	£28,734	-	-
2022-09-30	£66,923	£32,913	-	-
2021-09-30	£7,899	£9,090	-	-
2020-09-30	£36,107	£15,666	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ADEYEMI JOHNSON		2019-05-14
LESLIE ANNIE ETONGE NALوبا		2022-09-15
Theresa Alexandria Kelly		2014-01-10
YVETTE MINIKA NUMEU NJOMO		2012-07-27

Accounts

African Youth Development Association
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

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AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

CHARITY NAME: AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

CHARITY WORKING NAME: AYDA Centre

CHARITY NUMBER: 1123021

COMPANY NUMBER: 06358991

REGISTERED OFFICE: UNIT 21
RAMSEY COURT
122 CHURCH STREET
CROYDON
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DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES:	Mrs THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY	CHAIRPERSON
	Mrs. ADEYEMI JOHNSON	SECRETARY
	Ms LESLIE ANNIE ETONGE NALIBA	TREASURER
	MS YVETTE MINIKA NUMEU NJOMO	
	Ms. Ella Sara Hatfield	

COMPANY'S SECRETARY: MRS ADEYEMI JOHNSON

BANKERS: LLOYDS TSB BANK PLC
LONDON EC2V 7HN

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER: FAISAL BATIBWE
SANYU & Co LIMITED
Chartered Certified Accountants

STATUTORY PARTNERS: CROYDON COUNCIL
CROYDON VOLUNTARY ACTION (CVA)
LLOYDS BANK FOUNDATION
NATIONAL FGM CENTRE
THE LONDON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION VAWG
GLA SKILLS FOR LONDONERS
WANDSWORTH COUNCIL
BOND INTERNATIONAL - SDG
ADVOCATES FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (A4ID)
ROSAUK
SWIDN

ADVISER: RHYS TORRINGTON

CHIEF EXECUTIVE: LUCY N NJOMO, BEM

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

DIRECTORS'/CHARITY TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

The Directors present its report with the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 2025.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE, AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 3 September 2007 and registered as a charity on 29 February 2008. The company was established under a memorandum of association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company. Its articles of association govern it, and if the company is wound up, members must contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors

The directors of the company are also charity trustees under charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the charity may, by ordinary resolution, appoint a person willing to act as a director and determine the rotation in which any additional directors are to retire. All members of the Directors give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 12 to the accounts. We are actively seeking new trustees. This requires attending six meetings during the year. You do not need any qualifications, just the willingness to be involved in decisions to ensure we can provide the best service to our community. If you want to become a trustee, please get in touch with us using the details overleaf.

AYDA VISION:

Empowering future generations through training, guidance, and support for all young people, including those with special educational needs and their families.

AYDA Mission:

1. To empower all young people who are isolated and have no familial bonds through mentoring schemes, recreational activities, and training.
2. To provide advice and support to parents/guidance for all young people through mediation to reduce barriers to accessing mainstream services.
3. To facilitate workshops to develop functional skills and raise self-esteem, enhance skills already gained, complement schoolwork, improve young people's well-being, and make life better.
4. To provide preventative and safeguarding measures to protect actual or potential victims from FGM under civil law by raising awareness and providing training on cultural inclusion, and harmful practices
5. To provide a youth empowerment vocational Centre for young people in Africa - Cameroon to promote independence and sustainability in a supportive, positive, and stimulating environment

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are to:

- Advance in life and relieve the needs of young people through the provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life; providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.
- Help young people, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, to develop their capabilities so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society
- Act as a resource for young people up to the age of 21 living in the UK by providing advice and assistance and organizing programs of physical, educational, and other activities as a means of:
 - advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities, and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals;
 - advancing education;
 - relieving unemployment;
- Providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interests of social welfare for people living in the area of benefit who need it because of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons

Our main activities and who we try to help are described below and are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

AYDA seeks to create an appropriate surrounding for all young people, including those with special needs and those from different social, cultural and religious backgrounds to communicate together

- Training: AYDA provides accredited and non-accredited community training to boost employment opportunities and to develop new career opportunities.
- Training Partnership: AYDA collaborates with the Mayor of London initiative to provide skills for the Londoners community outreach programmes.
- AYDA delivers various soft skills programmes, including mandatory training for carers.
- Quality - AYDA is approved quality assured by QAS International ISO 9001: As a training provider, AYDA is registered on the SFAs Register of Training Organisations (ROTO).
- Staff—AYDA supports all staff in complying with the necessary legal requirements. To protect young people and vulnerable adults, we ensured all trustees, appointed staff, and volunteers are DBS checked, appropriately trained, vigilant about their own actions so they are not misconstrued, and sensitive to the issues of child abuse, neglect, and safeguarding.
- AYDA is looking for qualified staff to deliver various training programmes.

Current Projects

- VAWG Grassroots: A programme promoting gender equality through education, workshops, and awareness campaigns. The project challenges harmful societal norms and strengthens the community's response to violence against women and girls.
- Skills for Londoners: Under the Mayor of London's initiative, AYDA works to increase participation in adult learning for those who need it most.
- AYDA Vocational Centre in Cameroon: This pioneering project provides teenage orphans and vulnerable street youth with vocational training, mentorship, and a safe environment to learn. Land has been acquired, architectural plans have been drawn, and construction is underway.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Through our various activities as detailed above, AYDA was able to achieve the following:

- Empowered young people to explore anger management, resolve conflicts; examine issues of identity/belongings through various activities and workshops.
- Improved relationships and communication between parents and children through training sessions
- Reduced community pressure for parents/carers through support networking involving discussions and emphasising respect for each other.
- Encouraged communication through discussions between generations to support and learn from each other's experiences through workshop activities
- Reduced high incidence of ritualistic child abuse through recreational activities which will link different cultures together.
- Improved the quality of life for BAME children and young people with learning difficulties through seminars that promote critical thinking for young people to formulate and express their own opinions.
- Created community support groups to raise awareness of different cultural practices, in particular the effects of FGM including VAWG in order to eradicate the practice and be equal partners.
- Facilitated grassroots parenting classes – helping parents to help the children
- Provided non-accredited training to boost employment prospects and to develop new career opportunities to the community.

With the vision of working towards a sustainable world free of poverty and empowering young people as equal partners in promoting development, the charity remains aware that young people face particular challenges and have distinct needs.

FINANCIAL REVIEWS

Against the backdrop of limited resources and insecurities over funding, it has continued to be difficult to plan or develop services. Nevertheless, the charitable company, with the aid of sound financial management, made use of its reserve to cover the cost of its operating expenditure. The unrestricted funds were in deficit of £763 (2024: £817) while the restricted fund was in surplus of £9,207 (2024: £22,205). Overall, the charitable company has a surplus carried forward of £79,682(2023: £71,238) as at 30th September 2025.

Policy on Reserves

The charity policy on reserves aims at building up free reserves to the level needed to cover up to three months operating expenditure by means of annual operating surpluses and supplemented by general-purpose appeals from time to time. Any surplus funds which are not likely to be needed to pay for activities will be placed on deposit to earn interest.

Risk Assessment

The charity trustees have considered the major risks to which the charity is exposed, reviewed them, and established systems and procedures to manage them.

The trustees annually review the risks that the charity faces. To date these have mainly related to:

- Achievement of our aims and objectives;
- Meeting the expectations of our beneficiaries or supporters;
- Depending more on grants
- Over-reliance mainly on volunteers;

The trustees review these risks continuously and satisfy themselves that adequate systems and procedures are in place to manage the identified risks. In particular, insurance cover is in place, all trustees, staff, and volunteers who have direct contact with children and vulnerable adults are all DBS checked, AYDA strictly follows its safeguarding policy, and the charity's finances are kept under review.

FUTURE PLANS

AYDA's plan is to build on its work to establish a platform to advocate, support and empower all young people to overcome challenges they face including those with additional needs.

The proposed vocational training Centre aims to provide practical skills and knowledge to tackle grassroots poverty among street and orphan teenagers. The project activities will offer these young people a chance to develop in a supportive, positive and stimulating environment. For each young person, individual short-term and long-term programs will be set up to achieve outcomes.

The Initiator for youth empowerment thought it wise that, instead of buying food, clothing and providing shelter for this group of people, etc., it is better to give them the skills they need to sustain their lives. i.e., learn skills that will generate income. It was said, "Do not give them fish all the time, teach them how to catch fish so that they can feed and sell some".

The proposed building for the African Youth Development Association (AYDA) in Cameroon will house all young people, including disadvantaged and street teenagers. The concept provides young people with a variety of facilities, including Dormitories, a spacious Kitchen and Restaurant, Offices, Classrooms, Workshops, Computer rooms, and enough space for outdoor games. The project aims to address the root causes and the impact, symptoms, and manifestations of poverty. Hence, to promote independence and sustainability in today's youth society in a supportive, positive, and stimulating environment

AYDA also values being part of SWIDN as a 'Friend of SWIDN' member, aligned with the network's mission but located outside the South West; "I love their vision of a thriving, diverse network of organisations contributing to the UN Sustainable Development Goals – particularly SDG4, Quality Education, and SDG5, Gender Equality."

AYDA is now seeking partners to share in its vision and mission to deliver this first African model centre for tackling grassroots poverty among disadvantage young people. AYDA is now set up in Cameroon in a rented accommodation supporting teenage orphans. AYDA is seeking donors/partners to support the construction of the building to realise this venture.

At this point, I wish to extend my thanks and gratitude to our partners, staff, and management for their support, commitment, and willingness to keep standards high; special thanks to the team for their tireless and continuously challenging work towards the development of the Cameroon project. I would like to give particular thanks to all our volunteers, past and present. Without their valuable input, AYDA would not have the high reputation it enjoys today.

I must also say many thanks to you all, and to my fellow trustees who work behind the scenes to ensure that AYDA continues to meet its commitments. In addition, big thanks to the staff at Community Benefit Action CIC and all the funders who supported us throughout the year.

AYDA supports the development of all young people including those with Special Educational Needs and their families.

ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company, for the financial Period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on a going-concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Directors are responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and
- Safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part XV of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Directors on 29 June 2026, and signed on is behalf by:



MRS THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY
CHAIRPERSON

Independent Examiner's report

To the trustees of African Youth Development Association

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 September 2025 which are set out on pages 10 to 15.

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 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 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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:

(1) 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; or

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

Faisal Batiibwe FCCA
Sanyu & Co Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
20 Wenlock Road
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Date: 26 June 2026

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
	Note				
Incoming resources from charitable activities:					
Grants	2	-	67,534	67,534	56,200
Other Income	3	588	-	588	639
Total incoming resources		588	67,534	68,122	56,839
Resources Expended					
Cost of Generating Funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	4	567	54,073	54,640	30,751.00
Governance	5	784	4,254	5,038	4,700.00
Total Resources Expended		1,351	58,327	59,678	35,451
Net incoming/ (outgoing) resources		(763)	9,207	8,444	21,388
Total funds brought forward		12,583	58,655	71,238	49,850
Total funds carried forward	9	11,820	67,862	79,682	71,238

All incoming resources are derived from continuing operations. The charitable company has no other gains or losses other than those recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

	Note	£	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets:				
Tangible assets	6		<u>1,702</u>	<u>2,269</u>
Current assets:				
Debtors		-		
Cash at bank and in hand	7	<u>78,680</u>		<u>69,669</u>
		78,680		69,669
Current Liabilities:				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>700</u>		<u>700</u>
Net current assets			<u>77,980</u>	<u>68,969</u>
Total Net Assets			<u>79,682</u>	<u>71,238</u>
The funds of the charity:				
Restricted income funds	9		67,862	58,655
Unrestricted income funds:	9		<u>11,820</u>	<u>12,583</u>
Total funds	10		<u>79,682</u>	<u>71,238</u>

For the year ended **30 September 2025** the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Director's responsibilities;

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

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

This report was approved by the director on 29 June 2026, and signed on their behalf by:



MRS THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY
CHAIRPERSON

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

1. Principal accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), and under the historical cost accounting and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007). In preparing the financial statements the company follows best practice as set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP) issued in October 2005.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT that cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the company in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the company.

Taxation

The company is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities

Funds accounting

Incoming resources that may be applied for charity's purposes are treated as 'unrestricted' incoming resources and are credited to the 'unrestricted funds'. Where a donation or grant is required to be used for a specified purpose, the amount concerned is treated as a 'restricted' incoming resources and is credited to the appropriate 'restricted fund'.

Fixed assets and depreciation

All tangible fixed assets are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Equipment is written down using reducing balance method of depreciation over their estimated useful economic lives.

Income Resources -
2 Grants

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
Greater London Authority	-	33,534	33,534	22,200
London Community	-	34,000	34,000	34,000
	-	67,534	67,534	56,200

Income Resources -
3 Other Income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
General Donations	350	-	350	20
Events Income	-	-	-	350
Other Income	238	-	238	269
	588	-	588	639

4 Resources Expended - Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 TOTAL £	2024 TOTAL £
Venue Hire	-	1,309	1,309	2,512
Professional/ Insurance costs	-	316	316	-
Telephone	-	2,494	2,494	1,104
Postage, Stationery & Printing	-	4,025	4,025	3,195
Depreciation	567	-	567	756
Volunteer Expenses	-	5,369	5,369	736
Direct Project Costs	-	38,809	38,809	20,374
Travelling & Subsistence	-	275	275	327
Refreshment	-	976	976	1,747
Sundry	-	500	500	-
	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	567	54,073	54,640	30,751

5 Resources Expended - Governance

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 TOTAL £	2024 TOTAL £
Accountancy	784	-	784	700
Other Professional fees	-	4,254	4,254	4,000
TOTAL	784	4,254	5,038	4,700

6 Tangible Assets

	Office equipment £	2025 £	2024 £
Cost			
As at 1st October 2024	8,914	8,914	8,914
Additions in year	-	-	-
Disposals in year	-	-	-
As at 30th September 2025	8,914	8,914	8,914
Depreciation			
As at 1st October 2024	6,645	6,645	5,889
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-
Charge for the year	567	567	756
		-	
Net book value			
At 30th September 2025	1,702	1,702	2,269
At 30th September 2024	2,269	2,269	3,025

7 Cash at bank and in hand

	2025 £	2024 £
Lloyds TSB Account - Current	51,798	43,025
Lloyds TSB Account - Reserve	26,882	26,644
Cash in hand	-	-
	78,680	69,669

8 Creditors

	2025 £	2024 £
Accountancy	700	700
Other Creditors -		
Consultancy	-	-
	700	700

9 Movements in funds

	Opening Balance £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	Closing Balance £
Restricted funds:					
Grants	58,655	67,534	(58,327)	-	67,862
Total restricted funds	58,655	67,534	(58,327)	-	67,862
Unrestricted funds:					
Charity's funds	12,583	588	(1,351)	-	11,820
Total unrestricted funds	12,583	588	(1,351)	-	11,820
Total funds	71,238	68,122	(59,678)	-	79,682

**Analysis of net assets by
10 funds (prior year)**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	26882	51798	78680
Other net assets (liabilities)	(15,063)	16,064	1002
Net assets at the end of the year	11,820	67,862	79,682

11. Trustee Remuneration & Related Party Transactions

No member of the directors received any remuneration during the year. No Trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

12. Taxation

As a charity, AYDA is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

13. Control

The ultimate controlling parties are the Directors / Charity Trustees' as stated on page 2.

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CHARITY NAME: AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

CHARITY WORKING NAME: AYDA Centre

CHARITY NUMBER: 1123021

COMPANY NUMBER: 06358991

REGISTERED OFFICE: UNIT 21
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DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES:	Mrs THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY	CHAIRPERSON
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AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

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With the vision of working towards a sustainable world free of poverty and empowering young people as equal partners in promoting development, the charity remains aware that young people face particular challenges and have distinct needs.

FINANCIAL REVIEWS

Against the backdrop of limited resources and insecurities over funding, it has continued to be difficult to plan or develop services. Nevertheless, the charitable company, with the aid of sound financial management, made use of its reserve to cover the cost of its operating expenditure. The unrestricted funds were in deficit of £-817 (2023: £818) while the restricted fund was in surplus of £22,205 (2023: £-1897). Overall, the charitable company has a surplus carried forward of £71,238 (2023: £49,850) as at 30th September 2024.

Policy on Reserves

The charity policy on reserves aim at building up free reserves to the level needed to cover up to three months operating expenditure by means of annual operating surpluses and supplemented by general-purpose appeals from time to time. Any surplus funds which are not likely to be needed to pay for activities will be placed on deposit to earn interest.

Risk Assessment

The charity trustees have considered the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have reviewed those risks and established systems and procedures to manage those risks.

The trustees annually review the risks that the charity faces. To date these have mainly related to:

- Achievement of our aims and objectives;
- Meeting the expectations of our beneficiaries or supporters;
- Depending more on grants
- Over-reliance mainly on volunteers;

The trustees review these risks continuously and satisfy themselves that adequate systems and procedures are in place to manage the identified risks. In particular, insurance cover is in place, all trustees, staff, and volunteers who have direct contact with children and vulnerable adults are all DBS checked, AYDA strictly follows its safeguarding policy, and the charity's finances are kept under review.

FUTURE PLANS

AYDA's plan is to build on its work to establish a platform to advocate, support and empower all young people to overcome challenges they face including those with additional needs.

AYDA is a Diaspora organisation planning to build on its work to establish a platform to advocate, support and empower all young people including those with additional needs. The proposed vocational training Centre aims to provide practical skills and knowledge to tackle grassroots poverty among street and orphan teenagers. The project activities will offer these young people a chance to develop in a supportive, positive and stimulating environment. For each young person, individual short-term and long-term programs will be set up to achieve outcomes.

The Initiator for youth empowerment thought it wise that instead of buying food, clothing and providing shelter for this group of people, etc... It is better to give them the skills they need to be able to sustain their lives. i.e., learn skills that will generate income for them. It was said, "Do not give them fish all the time, teach them how to catch fish so that they can feed and sell some".

The proposed building for the African Youth Development Association (AYDA) in Cameroon will house post-orphans and street teenagers. The concept gives the young people a variety of facilities ranging from Dormitories, a spacious Kitchen and Restaurant, Offices, Classrooms, Workshops, Computer rooms, and enough space for outdoor games. The project aims to address the root causes as well as the impact, symptoms, and manifestation of poverty. Hence to promote independence and sustainability in today's youth society in a supportive, positive, and stimulating environment

AYDA is now seeking partners to share in its vision and mission to deliver this first African model centre for tackling grassroots poverty among disadvantage young people. AYDA is now set up in Cameroon in a rented accommodation supporting teenage orphans. AYDA is seeking donors for building construction to support for the realisation of this venture.

At this point, I wish to extend my thanks and gratitude to our partners, staff, and management for their support, commitment, and willingness to keep standards high; special thanks to the team for their tireless and continuously challenging work towards the development of the Cameroon project. I would like to give particular thanks to all our volunteers, past and present. I would give a BIG THANK YOU to all our volunteers. Without their valuable input, AYDA would not have the high reputation it enjoys today.

I must also say many thanks to you all, and to my fellow trustees who work behind the scenes to ensure that AYDA continues to meet its commitments. In addition, big thanks to the staff at Community Benefit Action CIC and all the funders who supported us throughout the year.

AYDA supports the development of all young people including those with Special Educational Needs and their families

ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company, for the financial Period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on a going-concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Directors are responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and
- Safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part XV of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Directors on 27 June 2025, and signed on is behalf by:



**MRS THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY
CHAIRPERSON**

Independent Examiner's report

To the trustees of African Youth Development Association

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 September 2024 which are set out on pages 8 to 12.

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 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 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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

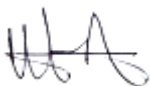
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) 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; or

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



Marroof Adeoye MBA DChA FCIE MInstF
Registered Independent Charity Examiner
Accman & Co Accountants
Croydon, Surrey. CR0 2XU

Date: 27 June 2024

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total Funds	2023
	Note	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
Grants	2	-	56200	56200	11437
Other income	3	639		639	16218
Total incoming resources		639	56200	56839	27655
Resources expended					
Cost of Generating Funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	4	756	29995	30751	25304
Governance	5	700	4000	4700	3430
Total resources expended		1456	33995	35451	28734
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		(817)	22205	21388	(1079)
Total funds brought forward		13400	36450	49850	50929
Total funds carried forward	9	12583	58655	71238	49850

All incoming resources are derived from continuing operations. The charitable company has no other gains or losses other than those recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

			2024	2023
	Note	£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	6	-	2269	3026
Current assets				
Debtors		0		0
Cash at bank and in hand	7	<u>69669</u>	<u>47324</u>	
<i>total current assets</i>		69669		47324
Current Liabilities				
Creditors:				
amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>700</u>	<u>500</u>	
Net current assets			68969	46824
Total Net Assets			<u>71238</u>	<u>49850</u>
The funds of the charity				
Unrestricted income funds	9		12583	13400
Restricted income funds	9		58655	36450
Total funds	10		<u>71238</u>	<u>49850</u>

For the year ended 30 September 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Director's responsibilities;

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

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

This report was approved by the director on 27 June 2025, and signed on their behalf by:



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1. Principal accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), and under the historical cost accounting and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007). In preparing the financial statements the company follows best practice as set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP) issued in October 2005.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT that cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the company in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the company.

Taxation

The company is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities

Funds accounting

Incoming resources that may be applied for charity's purposes are treated as 'unrestricted' incoming resources and are credited to the 'unrestricted funds'. Where a donation or grant is required to be used for a specified purpose, the amount concerned is treated as a 'restricted' incoming resources and is credited to the appropriate 'restricted fund'.

Fixed assets and depreciation

All tangible fixed assets are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Equipment is written down using reducing balance method of depreciation over their estimated useful economic lives.

2. Incoming Resources – Grants

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 £
Big Lottery - Award for All	-	-	-	-
Greater London		22200	22200	-
London Community		34000	34000	7800
Lloyds Bank Foundation		0	-	2250
Peoples Health Trust	-	0	-	1387
	<u>0</u>	<u>56200</u>	<u>56200</u>	<u>11437</u>

3. Incoming Resources – Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 £
General Donations	20	-	20	1310
Events Income	350	-	350	-
Other Income	269	-	269	14908
	<u>639</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>639</u>	<u>16218</u>

4. Resources Expended – Charitable Activities				
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total Funds	2023
	£	£	£	£
Tuition Fees	-	-	-	-
Conference and Subscriptions	-	-	-	-
Publicity	-	-	-	-
Venue Hire		2512	2512	1189
Professional/Insurance costs			-	-
Telephone		1104	1104	915
Postage, Stationery & Printing		3195	3195	2068
Depreciation	756	-	756	1008
Volunteer Expenses		736	736	632
Recruitment & Training		-	-	-
Direct Project Costs		20374	20374	16467
AGM Costs		-	-	-
IT Costs		-	-	-
Travelling & Subsistence		327	327	285
Bank charges		-	-	-
Refreshment		1747	1747	1093
Sundry	-		-	1647
	756	29995	30751	25304

5. Resources Expended – Governance				
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total Funds	2023
	£	£	£	£
Accountancy	700		700	500
Other professional fees		4000	4000	2930
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6. Tangible assets			
	Office Equipment	2024 Total	2023
Cost	£	£	£
At 1 October 2023	8914	8914	8914
Additions			-
Disposals	-	-	-
At 30 September 2024	8914	8914	8914
Depreciation			
At 1 October 2023	5889	5889	4880
Disposals	-	-	-
Charge this period	756	756	1009
	6645	6645	5889
Net book value			
At 30 September 2024	2269	2269	3026
At 30 September 2023	3025	3025	4034

7. Cash at bank and in hand

	2024	2023
	£	£
Lloyds TSB Account - Current	43025	35950
Lloyds TSB Account - Reserve	26644	11374
Cash in hand	0	0
	69669	47324

8. Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accountancy	700	500
Other creditors - consultancy	-	-
	700	500

9. Movements in funds

	Opening balance Amended £	Incoming resources £	(Resources expended) £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted funds					
Charity's fund	13400	639	1456	-	12583
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10. Analysis of net assets by fund

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
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Other net assets (liabilities)	(14061)	15630	1569
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11. Previous year comparison

The previous year's figures were included but the layout used in the previous year was substantially different and does not lend itself to clear comparison.

12. Trustee Remuneration & Related Party Transactions

No member of the directors received any remuneration during the year. No Trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

13. Taxation

As a charity, AYDA is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

14. Control

The ultimate controlling parties are the Directors / Charity Trustees' as stated on page 2.

Accounts

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At this point, I wish to extend my thanks and gratitude to our partners, staff, and management for their support, commitment, and willingness to keep standards high; special thanks to Mr Arnaud Mougah Djomo and the team for their tireless and continuously challenging work towards the development of the Cameroon project. I would like to give particular thanks to all our volunteers, past and present, especially to the previous chair Mrs Chinyere Kejeh, I would give a BIG THANK YOU to all our volunteers. Without their valuable input, AYDA would not have the high reputation it enjoys today.

I must also say many thanks to you all, and to my fellow trustees who work behind the scenes to ensure that AYDA continues to meet its commitments. In addition, big thanks to the staff at Community Benefit Action CIC and all the funders who supported us throughout the year.

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ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company, for the financial Period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Directors is responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and
- Safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part XV of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Directors on 28 June 2024, and signed on is behalf by:



MRS THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY
CHAIRPERSON

Independent Examiner's report

To the trustees of African Youth Development Association

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 September 2023 which are set out on pages 8 to 12.

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 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 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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:

(1) 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; or

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



Maroof Adeoye MBA DChA FCIE MInstF
Registered Independent Charity Examiner
Community Benefit Action CIC
Croydon, Surrey. CR0 2XU

Date: 28 June 2024

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total Funds	2022
	Note	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
Grants	2	-	11437	11437	66923
Other income	3	16218		16218	1627
Total incoming resources		16218	11437	27655	68550
Resources expended					
Cost of Generating Funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	4	11970	13334	25304	31913
Governance	5	3430	0	3430	1000
Total resources expended		15400	13334	28734	32913
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		818	(1897)	(1079)	35637
Total funds brought forward		12582	38347	50929	18826
Total funds carried forward	9	13400	36450	49850	54463

All incoming resources are derived from continuing operations. The charitable company has no other gains or losses other than those recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023**

			2023	2022
	Note	£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	6	-	3026	4034
Current assets				
Debtors		0		0
Cash at bank and in hand	7	<u>47324</u>		<u>50929</u>
<i>total current assets</i>		47324		50929
Current Liabilities				
Creditors:				
amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>500</u>		<u>500</u>
Net current assets			46824	50429
Total Net Assets			<u>49850</u>	<u>54463</u>
The funds of the charity				
Unrestricted income funds	9		13400	0
Restricted income funds	9		36450	54463
Total funds	10		<u>49850</u>	<u>54463</u>

For the year ended 30 September 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Director's responsibilities;

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

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

This report was approved by the director on 28 June 2024, and signed on their behalf by:



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CHAIRPERSON**

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

1. Principal accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), and under the historical cost accounting and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007). In preparing the financial statements the company follows best practice as set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP) issued in October 2005.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT that cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the company in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the company.

Taxation

The company is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities

Funds accounting

Incoming resources that may be applied for charity's purposes are treated as 'unrestricted' incoming resources and are credited to the 'unrestricted funds'. Where a donation or grant is required to be used for a specified purpose, the amount concerned is treated as a 'restricted' incoming resources and is credited to the appropriate 'restricted fund'.

Fixed assets and depreciation

All tangible fixed assets are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Equipment is written down using reducing balance method of depreciation over their estimated useful economic lives.

2. Incoming Resources – Grants

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total Funds	2022
	£	£	£	£
Big Lottery - Award for All	-	-	-	66923
AP Croydon Council		0	-	
London Community		7800	7800	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation		2250	2250	-
Peoples Health Trust	-	1387	1387	
	<u>0</u>	<u>11437</u>	<u>11437</u>	<u>66923</u>

3. Incoming Resources – Other income

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total Funds	2022
	£	£	£	£
General Donations	1310	-	1310	0
Events Income		-	-	-
Other Income	14908	-	14908	1627
	<u>16218</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16218</u>	<u>1627</u>

4.	Resources Expended – Charitable Activities		2023	2022
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
	£	£	£	£
Tuition Fees	-	-	-	-
Conference and Subscriptions	-	-	-	-
Publicity	-	-	-	-
Venue Hire	550	639	1189	4393
Professional/Insurance costs	-	-	-	-
Telephone	615	300	915	766
Postage, Stationery & Printing	983	1085	2068	3124
Depreciation	1008	-	1008	856
Volunteer Expenses	332	300	632	2327
Recruitment & Training	-	-	-	-
Direct Project Costs	5457	11010	16467	10588
AGM Costs	-	-	-	-
IT Costs	-	-	-	-
Travelling & Subsistence	285	-	285	0
Bank charges	-	-	-	-
Refreshment	1093	-	1093	0
Sundry	1647	-	1647	9859
	11970	13334	25304	31913

5.	Resources Expended – Governance		2023	2022
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
	£	£	£	£
Accountancy	500	-	500	1000
Other professional fees	2930	0	2930	0
	3430	0	3430	1000

6.	Tangible assets		
	Office Equipment	2023 Total	2022
Cost	£	£	£
At 1 October 2022	8914	8914	8914
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
At 30 September 2023	8914	8914	8914
Depreciation	0	3425	856
At 1 October 2022	4880	4880	4024
Disposals	-	-	-
Charge this period	1009	1009	856
At 30 September 2023	5889	5889	4880
Net book value			
At 30 September 2023	3026	3026	4034
At 30 September 2022	4034	4034	4280

7. Cash at bank and in hand

	2023	2022
	£	£
Lloyds TSB Account - Current	35950	50929
Lloyds TSB Account - Reserve	11374	0
Cash in hand	0	0
	47324	50929

8. Creditors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accountancy	500	500
Other creditors - consultancy	-	-
	500	500

9. Movements in funds

	Opening balance Amended £	Incoming resources £	(Resources expended) £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted funds					
Charity's fund	12582	16218	15400	-	13400
	12582	16218	15400	-	13400
Restricted funds					
Grants	38347	11437	13334	-	36450
	50929	27655	28734	-	49850

10. Analysis of net assets by fund

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Cash at bank and in hand	11374	35950	47324
Other net assets (liabilities)	2026	500	2526
	13400	36450	49850

11. Previous year comparison

The previous year's figures were included but the layout used in the previous year was substantially different and does not lend itself to clear comparison.

12. Trustee Remuneration & Related Party Transactions

No member of the directors received any remuneration during the year. No Trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

13. Taxation

As a charity, AYDA is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

14. Control

The ultimate controlling parties are the Directors' / charity Trustees' as stated on page 2.

Accounts

Charity Name	African Youth Development Association
HM Revenue and Customs reference:	0
Registered Charity number:	1123021
Year:	2022

**The African Youth Development
Association Annual Receipts and Payments
Account For the Year Ended September 30,
2022**

Registered Charity Number: 1123021

HMRC Tax Reference: 0

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Receipts			
Voluntary sources			
Donations for expenses	66,923	66,923	2,502
Grant			4,000
Other receipts	1,627	1,627	-
	<u>68,550</u>	<u>68,550</u>	<u>6,502</u>
Total Receipts	<u><u>68,550</u></u>	<u><u>68,550</u></u>	<u><u>6,502</u></u>
Payments			
Costs of charitable activities			
Venue Hire	-	-	-
Insurance	988	988	612
Telephone	766	766	200
Stationery / Printing	3,124	3,124	300
Volunteer expenses	2,327	2,327	-
Events	3,913	3,913	3,594
Admin cost	6,675	6,675	5,496
Direct project	-	-	-
Office rent	2,689	2,689	645
Accountancy	913	913	604
Refreshment	-	-	317
Miscellaneous	9,859	9,859	-
Heating and Electricity	716	716	250
Depreciation	856	856	970
Other legal and professional	87	87	-
	<u>32,913</u>	<u>32,913</u>	<u>12,988</u>
Total Payments	<u><u>32,913</u></u>	<u><u>32,913</u></u>	<u><u>12,988</u></u>
Net Receipt/(Payment) for the year	35,637	35,637	- 6,486
Total cash assets brought forward		15,292	21,778
Total cash assets carried forward	<u><u>35,637</u></u>	<u><u>50,929</u></u>	<u><u>15,292</u></u>

Signed

Date:.....

Secretary for the Trustees of the African Youth Development Association

**The African Youth Development Association Statement of
Assets and Liabilities As at September 30, 2022**

Registered Charity Number: 1123021

HMRC Tax Reference: 0

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Cash Assets		
Lloyds bank account	50,929	21,778
Cash in hand	-	-
Funds on deposit	-	-
Total Cash Assets (should agree with Receipts and Payments Account)	<u>50,929</u>	<u>21,778</u>
Other Monetary Assets		
Gift Aid claim not yet received	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Investment Assets		
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Assets Retained for the Charity's Own Use		
Office Equipments	4,034	4,280
Land for new build	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Liabilities		
Accruals	500	-
Loan (repayable)	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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Accounts

**Reference and Administrative
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**African Youth Development
Association(A COMPANY LIMITED BY
GUARANTEE)**

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

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CHARITY WORKING NAME: AYDA Centre

CHARITY NUMBER: 1123021

COMPANY NUMBER: 06358991

REGISTERED OFFICE: UNIT 21

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(Resigned 1.2.2022)

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MRS ADEYEMI JOHNSON Secretary
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AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

DIRECTORS'/CHARITY TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

The Directors presents its report with the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 2021.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 3 September 2007 and registered as a charity on 29 February 2008. The company was established under a memorandum of association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its articles of association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the charity may by ordinary resolution appoint a person who is willing to act to be a director and determine the rotation in which any additional directors are to retire. All members of the Directors give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 12 to the accounts.

AYDA MISSION:

AYDA is committed to a sustainable world free of poverty and empowering vulnerable young people by promoting the development in a supportive, positive and stimulating environment

AYDA VISION:

AYDA supports the development of all young people including those with special educational needs and their families.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are to:

- Advance in life and relieve needs of young people through the provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life; providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities, and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals
- Help young people, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, so as to develop their capabilities so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society
- Act as a resource for young people up to the age of 21 living in the UK by providing advice and assistance and organizing programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of:
 - advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals;
 - advancing education;
 - relieving unemployment;
- Providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interests of social welfare for people living in the area of benefit who have needs by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons

Our main activities and who we try to help are described below and are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

AYDA seeks to create an appropriate surrounding for all young people including those with special needs and those from different social, cultural and religious backgrounds to communicate together.

- Training: AYDA provides accredited and non-accredited community training to boost employment opportunities and to develop new career opportunities.
- Training Partnership: AYDA works in consortium with London Learning Consortium to provide community employability training.
- AYDA is an approved centre to deliver OCN qualifications and also deliver mandatory training for carers.
- AYDA is also an approved centre for EDEXCEL awarding organisation.
- Quality - AYDA is approved quality assured by QAS International ISO 9001: As a training provider, AYDA is registered on the SFAs Register of Training Organisations (ROTO).

- Staff - AYDA support all staff to comply with the necessary legal requirements. In order to protect young people and vulnerable adults we ensured all trustees, appointed staff and volunteers are DBS checked, appropriately trained, and vigilant about their own actions so they are not misconstrued and sensitive to the issues of child abuse, neglect, and safeguarding.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Through our various activities as detailed above, AYDA was able to achieve the following:

- Empowered young people to explore anger management, resolve conflicts; examine issues of identity/belongings through various activities and workshops.
- Improved relationships and communication between parents and children through training sessions
- Reduced community pressure for parents/carers through support networking involving discussions and emphasising respect for each other.
- Encouraged communication through discussions between generations to support and learn from each other's experiences through workshop activities
- Reduced high incidence of ritualistic child abuse through recreational activities which will link different cultures together.
- Improved the quality of life for African emigres children and young people with learning difficulties through seminars that promote critical thinking for young people to formulate and express their own opinions.
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The proposed building for the African AYDA Vocational Centre in Cameroon will house post-orphans and street teenagers. The concept gives the young people a variety of facilities ranging from Dormitories, a spacious Kitchen and Restaurant, Offices, Classrooms, Workshops, Computer rooms, and enough space for outdoor games. The project aims to address the root causes as well as the impact, symptoms, and manifestation of poverty. Hence to promote independence and sustainability in today's youth society in a supportive, positive and stimulating environment

AYDA is now seeking partners to share in its vision and mission to deliver this first African model centre for tackling grassroots poverty among vulnerable streets & orphans young people. AYDA is now set up in Cameroon in a rented accommodation supporting teenage orphans. AYDA is seeking donors for building construction to support the realisation of this venture.

At this point, I wish to extend my thanks and gratitude to our partners, staff, and management for their support, commitment, and willingness to keep standards high; special thanks to Mrs Wandji Sinkam Valerie Celine, and the team for their tireless and continuous challenging work towards the development of the Cameroon project. I would like to give particular thanks to all our volunteers, past and present. I would give a BIG THANK YOU to all our volunteers. Without their valuable input, AYDA would not have the high reputation it enjoys today.

I must also say many thanks to you all, and to my fellow trustees who work behind the scenes to ensure that AYDA continues to meet its commitments. In addition, big thanks to all the funders who supported us throughout the year.

AYDA supports the development of all young people including those with Special Educational Needs and their families

ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial Period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company, for the financial Period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Directors is responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and
- Safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part XV of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Directors on 20th July 2022 and signed on is behalf by:

MRS THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY

ACTING CHAIR

Date 20/07/2022



MRS THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY
ACTING CHAIR

African Youth Development Association

Independent Examiner's report

To the trustees of African Youth Development Association

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above Charity ("The Trust") for the year ended 30/09/2021,

which are set out on pages 11 to 13.

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 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 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

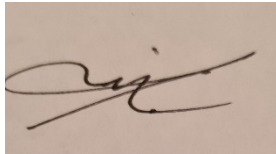
Basis of independent examiner's report

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 the 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 material matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:

- proper accounting records are kept 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;
- or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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(Sunday Emmanuel ;ACPA, AFA,
MIPA)

Independent Charity Examiner

Date: 20th July, 2022

African Youth Development Association
Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

	Notes	2021			2020		
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Income							
Donation	1	2,502		2,502			
Grant	2		4,000	4,000	-	35,206	35,206
Other- Training	3	1,397	-	1,397	901	-	901
		<u>3,899</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>7,899</u>	<u>901</u>	<u>35,706</u>	<u>36,107</u>
Resources Exp							
Cost of gen funds:		-	-	-	-		-
Charitable Actiivi	4	3,594	-	3,594	2,114	11,962	14,076
Governance	5	<u>5,496</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,496</u>	<u>1,590</u>		<u>1,590</u>
Total Resources Expended	6	9,090	-	9,090	3,704	11,962	15,576
Net Incoming/ Outgoing Resources	7	(5,191)	4,000	(1,191)	(2,803)	23,244	20,441
Total Funds b/F	8	<u>5,457</u>	<u>24,644</u>	<u>30,101</u>	<u>8,260</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>9,660</u>
Total funds C/f	9	<u>266</u>	<u>28,644</u>	<u>28,910</u>	<u>5,457</u>	<u>24,644</u>	<u>30,101</u>

African Youth Development Association
Financial Statement as at 30 September, 2021
Balance sheet as at 30 September 2021

	Notes	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets			4,280		701
		986			
Current assets					
Debtors				86	
Cash at bank and in hand	10	23,644		29,814	
Current Liabilities		24,630		29,700	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		(-)		(300)	
Net current Asset			24,630		29,400
Total assets less current liabilities			28,910		30,101
			28,910		30,101
Funds of the Charity			266		
Unrestricted Funds	11			5,457	
Restricted funds	12		24,644	24,644	
			28,910		
Total funds			28,910		30,101

For the year ended 30 September, 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Director's responsibilities;

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,

- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

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

This report was approved by the director and signed on their behalf by:



MRS THERESA ALEXANDRA KELLY
ACTING CHAIR

AFRICAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1. Principal accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), and under the historical cost accounting and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007). In preparing the financial statements the company follows best practice as set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP) issued in October 2005.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT that cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the company in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries. It includes

both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them

- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the company.

Taxation

The company is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities

Funds accounting

Incoming resources that may be applied for charity's purposes are treated as "unrestricted" incoming resources and are credited to the "unrestricted funds". Where a donation or grant is required to be used for a specified purpose, the amount concerned is treated as a "restricted" incoming resource and is credited to the appropriate 'restricted fund'.

Fixed assets and depreciation

All tangible fixed assets are capitalized and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Equipment is written down using straight line method of depreciation over their estimated useful economic lives.

African Youth Development Association

**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30
September, 2021**

Tangible fixed assets	Plant and machinery £	fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 September, 2020	-	701	701
Addition at cost	-	4,150	4,150
At 30 September, 2021	-	5,250	5,150
Depreciation			
At 1 September 2020	-	140	140
Charge for the year	-	830	830
At 30 September 2021	-	970	970
Carrying values			
At 31 September, 2021	-	4,280	4,280
At 30 September, 2020	-	701	701

African Youth Development Association

Resources Expended- Charitable Activities

	2021			2020		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Venue Hire				-	750	750
Insurance		612	612	100	168	268
Telephone	200			146	581	727
Stationery/ Printing	300	-		600	1,342	1,942
Volunteer Expenses					920	930
Training cost				-	933	933
Admin cost					1,978	1,987
Direct project					4,000	4,000
Office Rent	645	-	645	400	-	400
Accountancy	300	-	300			
Refreshment	317		317		- 1,290	1,290
Miscellaneous	-	-		509	-	509
Heating and Electricity	250	-	250			
Depreciation	970	-	970		399	399
	3,282	612	3,898	2,114	11,962	14,076

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Governance

This includes accrued expenses to operation

£

5,496

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**6 Movements In Funds
2021**

	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Closing balance
	Amended				
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
Charity fund	5,457	3,899	(9,090)		266
	5,457	3,899	(9,090)	0	,266
Restricted funds					
Grants	24,644	4,000	(0)	0	28,644
	30,101	7,899	(9090)	0	28,910

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	Analysis of Net Asset by fund		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Funds	Funds	funds
Cash at bank and in hand	266	23,644	28,910
Other net Assets/ (Liabilities)	-	-	-

	266	23,644	28,910
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Grant	2021		2020	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	unrestricted
Ap Croydon Council		4,000	-	14,700
London learning				3,578
Croydon 19 Response				9,596
Rosa fun				7,302
		4,000	-	35,206

Incoming Resources and others

	2021		2020	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted
	Funds	funds	funds	funds
Donation	2,502		155	
Training	1,357		710	
Others			36	-
	3,899		901	-

11. Previous year comparison

The previous year's figures were included but the layout used in the previous year was substantially different and does not lend itself to clear comparison.

Trustee Remuneration & Related Party Transactions

No member of the directors received any remuneration during the year. No Trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

Taxation

As a charity, AYDA is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

Control

The ultimate controlling parties are the Directors' / charity Trustees as stated on page 3-10