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ILEYS ACCOUNT REPORT APRIL **2023 TO MARCH 2024**

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Ileys Community Association (ICA) is an independent community organisation formed in 2007, and incorporated as a registered charity in 2008 by members of Somali Eastern African community to meet the growing needs of Sandwell's East African, refugee, asylum seeker and migrant communities. During that time the profile of UK's African communities portrayed very high levels unemployment and poverty and low educational attainment levels. Many research studies of that time depicted and identified these migrant communities as one of the most disadvantaged in Britain

Our charity is located in Cape Hill, an area of Smethwick, located in the West Midlands's region of Sandwell. As a community based organisation our vision is to relief the poverty, suffering, distress, and sickness of African community, Refugee and Asylum Seekers living in Smethwick and nearby surrounding areas of Sandwell and Birmingham. Our aim is to help advance their rights and wellbeing by empowering them to access positive local services pathways to effectively address key barrier issues such as English not being their first language, health inequalities, poor and inadequate housing, financial exclusion, rising debts, poor educational attainment levels, high unemployment levels and engagement in crime and anti-social behaviour activities. If left unmet, this often hinders our local migrant communities smooth integration into UK British society.

We are committed to seeing our community achieve their full potential as citizens in the UK. We achieve this by filling service gaps by bring services to local people rather than service users self-navigating access to local services and vocational training provisions. Not only are we deliverers of local services we act as conduits bridging the gap and bring together service users and local agency services.

We do this by offering a comprehensive referral service which helps service recipients access mainstream service delivery in areas of housing, health, education, employment, volunteering, wellbeing, and advocacy so that they can thrive, excel in life and become the best version of themselves

As a community Centre , we are perceived as a life line to children, young people, and adults from Refugee and Asylum Seeker migrant communities who have experienced incurred trauma preceding, during, and after migration and are physically and mentally challenged by multiple disadvantage issues which not only hinders access local services but also prohibits their capabilities of reaching their full potential.

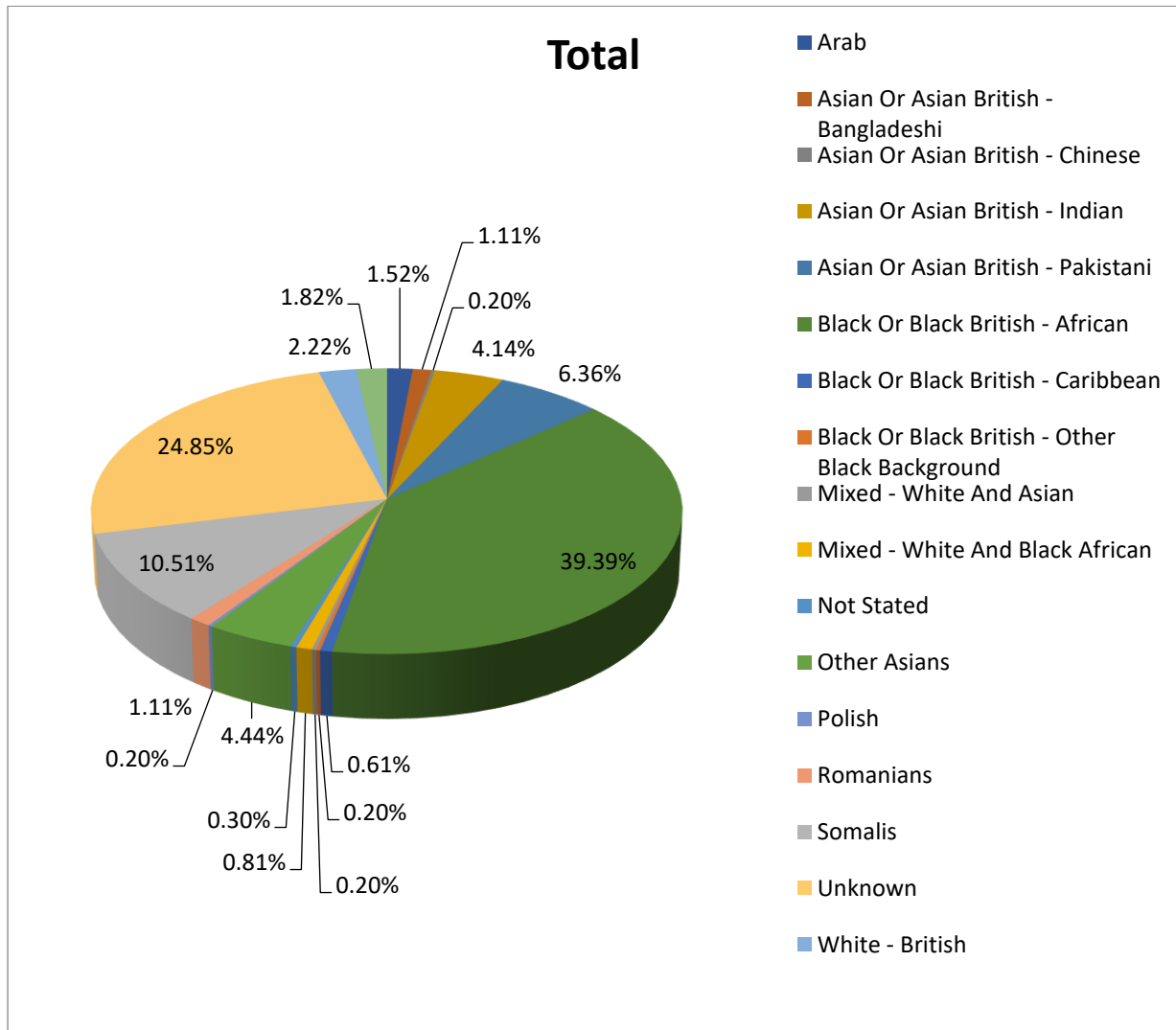
As part of assimilating into British society, many young and old migrants find communicating verbally or writing in English a barrier. With only a few speaking English as their second or even third language or other having no linguistic skills (due to non-school attendance), means young, old and whole families find it more challenging to deal with daily tasks, or simply things like make friends, let alone navigate the complexities of the benefits system, changes to welfare, housing etc. As a support service we offer adults access to organised ESOL classes to improve their command of the English Language and social friendship groups to connect to peers.

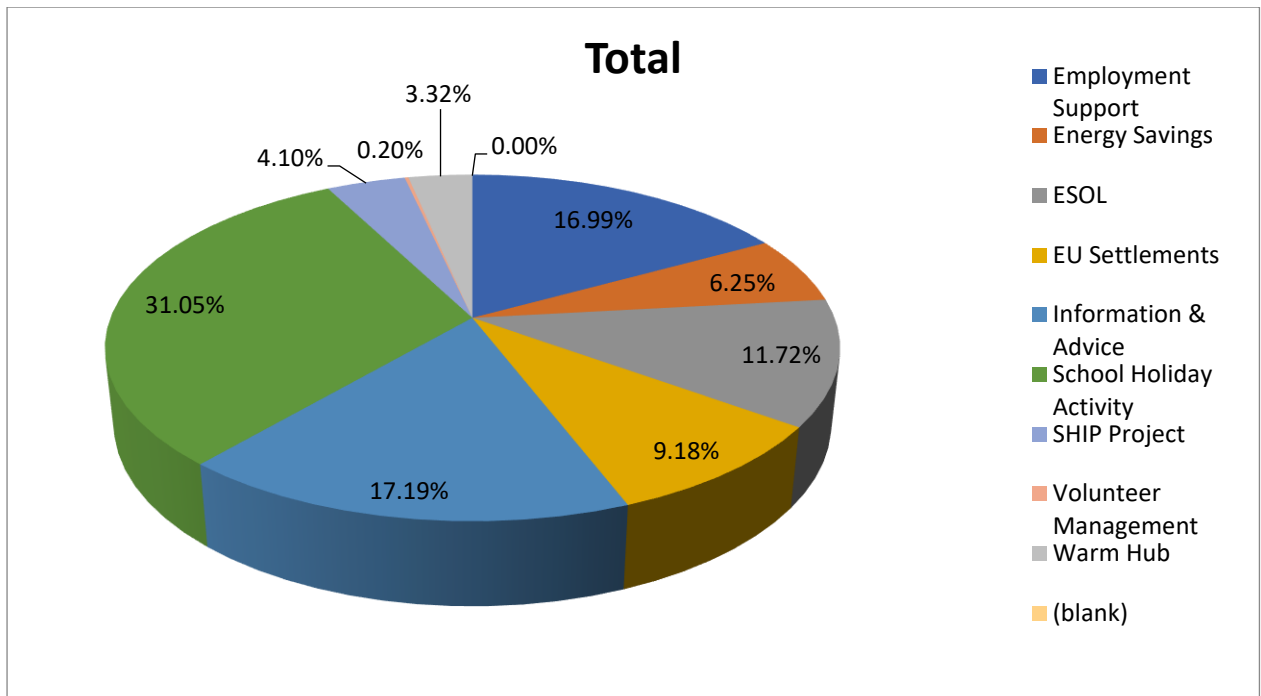
Parents are unsure how to play an active and constructive role in nurturing and supporting their children, to improve their educational achievements – which generally is poor, compared to their counterparts at school – hindering long-term life outcomes. We offer an After School/Homework Club providing supplementary education, as well as sport and social activities, to support the educational and developmental needs of refugee children and young people.

We come into contact with families living on low incomes and facing threat of debt, housing eviction, and in extreme cases, poverty. We offer an Information, advice, information, and guidance service providing a comprehensive debt and money advice, advocacy and referral service for refugees and newcomers in their own language, to help them access fogbanks, navigate the complexities of housing and benefits systems, and remain debt-free to maximise Ileys Community Association has been supporting people in the local community for ten years. Much of their work helps new arrivals in the UK to develop English language and employability skills, but they also support children and young people as part of their holistic support to families.

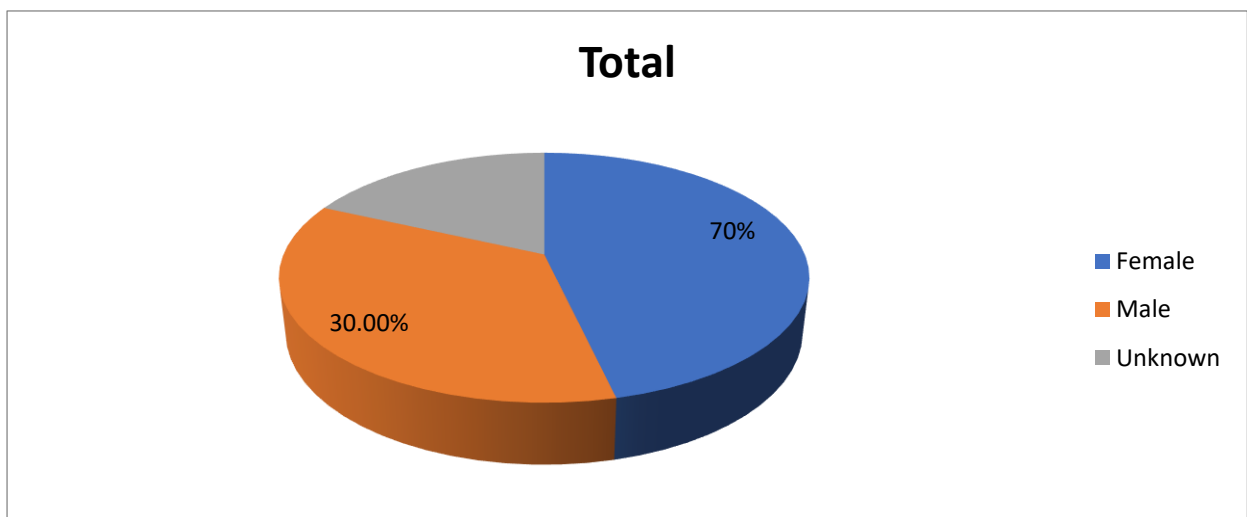
According to our Database (Charity log) from 1.4.2023- 31.3.2024, ICA has over 22,000 visitors per year, 1226 people were given the support and service such as advice, training, employability, youth and children and health improvement. We provide support for more than 35 different languages with 18 different ethnicity.... 78% are women

ETHNICITY GROUP





Count of Gender	
Female	70.00%
Male	30.00%
Total	100.00%



We deliver services without any attached timescales, in community languages understood by the migrant Diasporas, and at a pace conducive to help meeting address these communities immediate, short, and long term needs. We have learnt the importance of adapting delivery of courses and service provision so that they align with local communities' culture needs. This approach secures engagement and effective results with people who others say are hard to reach, support, or develop.

Our strengths also lie with maintaining strong credibility with local communities. People feel able to approach us for support without fear of being judged and will turn up in high numbers to access services or attend training/ community event. We have a large spacious building which makes it easy to deliver accessible community services overseen by a large committed staff and dedicated bank of volunteers

Case Study: *The clients are a couple. They came for benefit checks and employment support. They were referred to me by Cranston. One of the clients had his ESA stopped because he didn't attend his appointments at the Job Centre. Advice worker carried out a benefits check to see what they were entitled to and adviser also called ESA to ask about the client's benefits being stopped. The client gets back on ESA and they received payments a few weeks. Adviser helped both them find a volunteering position at Community Link and they still volunteer there on occasion.*

With help, they get a table, curtains, tableware and cutlery as they were in need of these things ICA provides new chrome book table and a dongle to help them access the internet. After helping them, they were both more confident in expressing themselves and friendly. They spoke to others more and were more open to helping others, compared to when came first time. We helped them write CVs and supported the other client to enrol in a course – for training to work as a career in the future.

Ileys CA is a voluntary organisation, wholly dependent on volunteers primarily from the local Somali community though not exclusively

All the services outlined in this report are only possible due to our dedicated team of volunteers, who on average contribute between 10hrs to 40hrs per week over the year. 6 of volunteers contributed an average of 35hr/week Total volunteer hours is 10080hr. This in terms of added value/social capital based on an average value of £11.09 per hour equates to £111,787 or close to 6 full time workers.



ILEYS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Funds Total 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Incoming resources					
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i>					
Voluntary Income		29,756	-	29,756	48,177
Sports Project & Donation		10,597	-	10,597	-
Activities for generating funds		122,877	-	122,877	95,902
<i>Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>		-	139,232	139,232	35,490
Total incoming resources		163,230	139,232	302,462	179,569
<i>Costs of generating funds</i>					
Costs of generating voluntary income		1,800	-	1,800	1,000
<i>Costs of charitable activities</i>		106,506	60,380	166,886	105,295
<i>Governance costs</i>	5	81,894	38,622	120,516	75,099
Total resources expended		190,200	99,002	289,202	181,394
Net incoming resources/(net outgoing resources)					
before transfers between funds		(26,970)	40,230	13,260	(1,825)
Net incoming resources/(net outgoing resources) before					
Other recognised gains and losses		(26,970)	40,230	13,260	(1,825)
Other recognised gains and losses					
Net movement in funds		(26,970)	40,230	13,260	(1,825)
Reconciliation of funds					
<i>Total funds brought forward</i>		17,374	-	17,374	(88,232)
Total Funds carried forward		(9,596)	40,230	30,634	(90,057)

ILEYS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Schedule to the Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Period Total Funds 2023 £
Incoming Resources				
Donations				
Grants, legacies and donations				
Sports Project & Donation	(10,597)	-	(10,597)	-
Other voluntary income				
Sponsorship income	29,756	-	29,756	48,177
Total other voluntary income	29,756	-	29,756	48,177
Total Voluntary Income	29,756	-	29,756	48,177
Activities for generating funds				
Lloyds Foundaion	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
Walsal Council	-	-	-	4,484
Murray Hall & Natinal Grid Community	-	-	-	19,949
Sandwel Consortium	97,877	-	97,877	19,262
Innovation SCVO	-	-	-	27,207
Total of activities for generating funds	122,877	-	122,877	95,902
Incoming resources from charitable activities				
National Lottery	-	74,804	74,804	-
Sandwel Council	-	17,898	17,898	35,490
Award for All Sport	-	10,000	10,000	-
Easy Housing (SWEB)	-	27,400	27,400	-
Sport (Postcode)	-	9,130	9,130	-
charitable activities	-	139,232	139,232	35,490
Total Incoming Resources	152,633	139,232	291,865	179,569
Costs of generating funds				
Costs of generating voluntary income				
Fundraising publicity	1,800	-	1,800	-
Cost of fundraising activities	-	-	-	1,000
Total costs of generating voluntary income	1,800	-	1,800	1,000

Charitable expenditure

Employers' NI - Charitable activities	-	-	-	6,777
Salaries,pensions & NI recharged to other organisations	7,949	3,786	11,735	4,246
Volunteers' Costs	3,400	1,200	4,600	4,500
Tutor Costs	6,200	5,899	12,099	7,540
Event Cost	1,500	1,000	2,500	9,500
Marketing and publicity	-	-	-	1,516
	19,049	11,885	30,934	34,079

Employee costs:

Training and welfare	1,300	2,100	3,400	3,900
Refreshment	2,500	800	3,300	-
	3,800	2,900	6,700	3,900

Premises Costs

Rent Payable	10,835	6,668	17,503	-
Rates, water and service charges	8,607	212	8,819	2,580
Insurance	1,000	1,350	2,350	800
Light and heat	7,800	7,400	15,200	13,196
Premises repairs and renewals	8,000	2,000	10,000	8,550
	36,242	17,630	53,872	25,126

General administrative expenses:

Telephone and fax	7,981	-	7,981	7,100
Stationery and printing	1,637	2,870	4,507	4,646
Petty Cash	1,000	800	1,800	5,014
Information and publications	3,200	1,600	4,800	-
Database	2,600	-	2,600	3,000
Equipment expenses	5,907	3,000	8,907	1,600
Hire of equipment	2,000	1,100	3,100	-
Subscription	-	-	-	2,800
Health and safety costs	350	-	350	-
Advertising and PR	2,500	1,000	3,500	4,700
Other costs	-	-	-	1,750
	27,175	10,370	37,545	30,610

Accountancy fees other than examiners/auditors	4,600	2,680	7,280	4,280
Consultancy fees	5,090	1,000	6,090	2,400
CBR Check	650	480	1,130	1,500
	10,340	4,160	14,500	8,180

Other support costs

Monitoring and Evaluating	-	-	-	3,400
SWEB Project	9,900	-	9,900	-
Support costs (4)	-	13,435	13,435	-
	9,900	13,435	23,335	3,400
Total Support costs	106,506	60,380	166,886	105,295

Total Expended on Charitable Activities	106,506	60,380	166,886	105,295
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Governance costs that are not direct management functions inherent in generating funds, service delivery and programme or project work (including management and administration costs)

Specific governance costs

Salaries - Administrative staff	78,088	36,602	114,690	73,385
Employers' NI - Administrative staff	3,806	2,020	5,826	1,714
Total governance costs	81,894	38,622	120,516	75,099

ILEYS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
<i>The assets and liabilities of the charity :</i>			
Fixed assets			
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		30,634	17,374
Net current assets		<u>30,634</u>	<u>17,374</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>30,634</u>	<u>17,374</u>
Creditors:-			
amounts due after more than one year		-	-
Net assets including pension asset / liability		<u>30,634</u>	<u>17,374</u>
<i>The funds of the charity:</i>			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted revenue accumulated funds	17,374	-	-
Net revenue funds	13,260	17,374	-
Unrestricted capital funds			
Designated fixed asset funds	-	-	-
Total charity funds		<u>30,634</u>	<u>17,374</u>

Mr Ahamed Sirad

Trustee

Approved by the trustees on 18 January
2025



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Appendix 1

Analysis of Total Incoming & Outgoing Resources by Activity for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Fundraisin	Other	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources from generated funds								
Members contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	29,756	48,177
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	122,877	95,902
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	139,232	35,490
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	291,865	179,569
Costs of generating funds								
Costs of generating voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800	1,000
Fundraising trading - costs of goods and other costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Costs of charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	166,886	105,295
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	120,516	75,099
Other resources expended	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total resources expended	-	-	-	-	-	-	289,202	181,394
Net Incoming Resources by activity	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,663	(1,825)