
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

FOR

BANGLADESH WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Burnley and Pendle

FOR THE PERIOD: 01/04/2022 – 31/03/2023

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

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COMPANY REG NO:	06758387
DATE PREPARED:	1ST OF JULY 2023

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

FOR THE PERIOD 01/04/2021 – 31/03/2022

The directors are pleased to present their Annual Report and Accounts for the period ending **31st of March 2023**. Company law requires the Directors to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which gives true and fair view of the state of the company and of the profit and loss for that period. In preparing those Financial Statements, the Directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make judgement and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures, disclosed and explained in the Financial Statements.
- Prepare the Financial Statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

Principal Activity of the Charity / Company:

The principal activity of the Charity / Company during the activity period of **2022 to 2023** continues to be that of actively promoting and advancement through community and voluntary work, the social welfare, good health, cultural, social educational and economic wellbeing of the Bangladeshi communities based in Burnley and Pendle and other established communities throughout Lancashire. The Charity / Company further seeks to relief poverty and provide training and employment opportunities to improve the economic condition of the people that face hardship and provide recreational or other leisure facilities to enhance the living conditions of people, who require such facilities due to infirmity, disablement, and other social or economic adversities.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS – Continued:

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REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES (PROJECTS: 2022 - 2023)

The year **2022 / 2023** has been yet another exciting year for BWA in the current climate of restricted funding faced by all voluntary organisations. Despite that, BWA has been able to accomplish many significant achievements, for which the Directors of BWA can be proud of and as such like to extend their deepest gratitude to all those who contributed in making those achievements possible. The achievements are summarised as below:

PROJECT SUMMARY:

- (1) CRF – Equaliser – Lancashire BME Network
- (2) Sheba Project – Awards for All National Lottery
- (3) Project SOS 365 – Reaching Communities – National Lotteries
- (4) Recent Achievements

AIMS OF THE PROJECT: [CRF – Equaliser – Lancashire BME Network]

- To build on the learning from previous / existing employability programmes, including the Building Better Opportunities Projects.
- Deliver high intensity and sustained information, advice and guidance (IAG); as well as practical support for identified individuals that emanate from a Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic background (BAME). IAG activities that are provided ranges from CV building, interview preparations, understanding of UK work etiquette / ethics, employment legislation and contractual obligations.

Who are the Beneficiaries?

- BAME heritage people living in the areas of East Lancashire (Pendle, Burnley, Hyndburn, & Rossendale)
- Low skilled workers that have the desire to train / retrain and acquire new skills seek / procure employment jobs that are relevant / suited to their career aspirations.
- Provide practical & guidance and support to Asylum seekers & refugees with permission to work in the UK.
- Employment support & sign posting services to EU migrants.
- Provision of support and guidance to young people aged 16 – 25 years, who are not in employment, education, or training.

What we did? (Service Delivery)

- Delivered practical and emotional support & 1:1 support to beneficiaries to enable entry into employment, volunteering, work placements or training and skills development.
- The 1:1 support was varied in length and intensity dependent on individual needs. We needed to demonstrate the beneficiary's journey so this cannot be a short, quick win intervention. For example, our beneficiaries will have multiple complex needs; therefore you cannot demonstrate a positive outcome if only a couple of sessions have been delivered.
- Act as an advocate for the beneficiary.
- On the action plan and progress form we identified areas of development and need to determine wider support needs including housing, welfare advice, mental health, digital skill and literacy.
- Identify underlying issues that lead to unemployment and economic inactivity and look at addressing this i.e. Domestic abuse, housing needs.
- Make referrals and signpost where necessary.

This project was a success for BWA & even though the time period was a short - lived project of only 5 months. The project targets & objectives were successfully achieved. BWA now continue to support the immediate community with support around CV building, job searches, employability advice, interview workshops and general application updates.

(2) SHEBA PROJECT

BWA was successful in a bid made to the national a lottery "Awards For All". The objective was to create a platform for the female sections of the community by way of employing female workers to:

- Engage with the immediate community in general.
- To assist in helping building capacity.
- Break isolation & loneliness.
- Contribute in building confidence / morale / self esteem.
- Allow people to uptake more activities & engage further.
- Consider how to enhance mental health and well-being and just general exposure to activities within the community.

After the successful bid, 2 female community development workers were recruited from the local community. The workers have been working with the immediate and wider community and established 2 dedicated sessions with the women.

Following the appointment of the female workers, the range of activities and that have been organised and delivered included the following:

- NHS workshops.
- Bowel Screening sessions and training
- Oldham Mela Event – Participate
- Community Iftar Meals
- Blackpool Excursion
- Knitting Projects
- Textile Products and Exhibitions
- Stoneyholme Nursery Textile Project
- And many more

Background to the Sheba Project

East Lancashire region has a sizeable ethnic minority south Asian population. The female sections of these communities, in particular, have suffered greatly due to the pandemic. BWA is committed to delivering a programme of health and mental wellbeing activities that would allow Asian people to get out and about, make new friends, engage with new people and old friends and neighbours. Thus create a platform to open up and talk, allow discussion and dialogue, engage in workshops and activities that will bring about better health and well-being, work on better mental health support, achieve family learning, raise self-esteem and confidence.

"Sheba" meaning to help, to serve or assist or lend support will make a huge difference as there are very little if any outlets within this area; whereby the female sections of the south Asian community can access or engage with such activities. BWA will be working closely with the NHS, local authority, along with other 3rd sector organisations to deliver this programme. The objective is to allow access to vital services & increase awareness and engagement with local services through this programme. BWA has been actively operating in this area for the past 40 years.

Moreover, BWA has a solid track record in partnership / working relationships with similar organisations, historically with agencies & clients with the view to participation, engagement, & community development along with IAG support.

This project will be expected to operate for 9 - 12 months through activity workshops, seminars, open access group session and outings. BWA will set up weekly sessions for participants to come to an open, safe and secure nurturing space. BWA will render robust outreach work that allows access / reach participants and promotes the project through social media, online and newsletters. Regular feedback and consultation sessions will be conducted to allow BWA to review the programme so the needs of the participants can be fulfilled. BWA will continue to engage in learning and evaluating with the participants to make sure that the objectives of the project is achieved in totality.

PROJECT SOS 365

BWA again was successful in a huge bid to the National Lottery Reaching Communities stream of funding.

BWA now has in place funding for the next 3 years to deliver the IAG (Information, Advice & Guidance) programme that as previously funding by Lancashire BME Network, named Project 360.

The project made gains and ground for the immediate community as there was no IAG provision on the Stoneyholme and Daneshouse area. The Project 260 was delivered for 2 years and then ceased to funding being discontinued. As this work was significant, and the fact that the community responded to the provision in the most positive manner, BWA then sought to secure funding to continue & further develop the IAG programme, project and vision.

The success of the bid for funding has now allowed 3 part time IAG advisors to be recruited to to service the office throughout the week. Bwa has now made gains in creating new partnerships and alliances to continue to further help the people of Burnley.

BWA has now accessed further funding from the "Know Your Neighbours" funding scheme also from the National Lottery, to further develop Project SOS 365 and to recruit another 2 people to work on the project but as Outreach Officers.

BWA has already made contact, engages and supported more than 200 clients since the start of the Project SOS 365. The Directors are pleased to report targets to fulfil the objectives of this project is within reach and will continue to build upon our successful start. BWA have now started to deliver the outreach programme with partners such as:

- Burnley Job Centre
- Inspire –
- Chai Centre
- Linkbridge Centre
- CVS Burnley

Background

BWA has been an active charity for over 40 years working with over 3,000 families and over 20,000 individuals, in one of the most deprived poorest wards in England. The organisation would like the funds to expand its delivery of the Advice Centre which it has been running for the past few years providing advocacy and welfare support to families in Burnley and Pendle. It provides information, advice and guidance to members of the public with language difficulties in housing, benefits and immigration to name but a few.

Over the last few years running a partial service, we have seen the need the service has for the local community. The support we provide is lacking from statutory bodies and mainstream charities including the Citizen's Advice Bureau and Shelter who often refer clients to us that they have difficulties working with.

The project will ensure we can work with more families and take on more complex casework. The project will aim to alleviate some of the problems people face on a day-to-day basis equipping them to manage their debt better and becoming more financially resilient this in turn will ensure a more positive mental well-being for individuals and families.

BWA will also work with other partners including the colleges and training providers to refer individuals to courses for their own betterment and equip them on a route to become more inclusive, more productive and begin to become more economically active citizens of the community.

(4) RECENT ACHIVEMENTS

The Director's of BWA is pleased to report the following

- (A) Views - IT System / Software
- (B) Women's Excursion

(A) Views - IT System

The recent adoption / implementation of the Views IT System / Software have contributed to the delivery, support, operations of the IAG programme for both BWA personnel and service users. The software has increased the effectiveness and efficiency of the IAG programme to include the following summarised as below:

- Data Capture,
- Date Storage & Retrieval.
- Data Monitoring.
- Data Classification.

The Directors of BWA will continue to seek innovative methods / systems to deliver the optimal quality of service to the users / clientele.

(B) Excursion / Trip / Day Out for the Women Folk

The Directors of BWA are pleased to report that recently there has been several excursions / trips / day out for the women - folk of the community to include trips to both Blackpool & Oldham to name a few. The Board of Directors extend their gratitude to all personnel and organisers for making a pleased and enjoyable experience for the women - folk of the community.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD

1ST OF APRIL 2022 TO 31ST OF MARCH 2023:

<u>INCOME:</u>	<u>NOTE</u>	<u>31.03.2023,</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
LANCASHIRE BME:	46388.05	
MIXED PAYMENT	1000.00	
MAIN GRANT	<u>49364.15</u>	
<u>GRANT INCOME:</u>		<u>96752.20</u>
OTHER INCOME:		0.00
<u>TOTAL IMCOME:</u>		<u>96752.20</u>
<u>LESS EXPENDITURE:</u>		
NNDR & COUNCIL TAX	172.91	
WATER CHARGES & SEWERAGE	444.12	
HEAT AND LIGHT	2336.51	
STAFF COSTS / SALARIES & NIC	62417.56	
PAYROLL & PENSION COSTS	5762.74	
EQUIPMENT HIRE & LEASE COSTS	603.43	
TELEPHONE, IT & SERVICE CHARGE	2459.00	
INSURANCE	2082.19	
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL FEES	3534.43	
ADVERTISING & PROMOTIONS	50.00	
ACCOUNTANCY FEES	1350.00	
TRAVEL & SUBSISTENCE	1070.00	
EVENTS & FUNCTIONS	150.00	
DEPRECIATION	1 <u>884.61</u>	
		<u>83317.50</u>
<u>EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE:</u>		<u>13434.70</u>

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31.03.23.

<u>TANGIBLE ASSETS:</u>	<u>COST:</u>	<u>DEPR</u>	<u>NBV</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
FIXTURES & FITTINGS	2438.37	365.76	2072.61
ADDITIONS	<u>3459.00</u>	<u>518.85</u>	<u>2940.15</u>
<u>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS:</u>	<u>5897.37</u>	<u>884.61</u>	<u>5012.76</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS:</u>			
PRE-PAYMENTS	7174.48		
CASH IN HAND	465.00		
CASH AT BANK	<u>36673.67</u>		
		<u>44313.15</u>	
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</u>			
ACCRUALS	0.00		
CREDITORS	<u>1350.00</u>		
		<u>1350.00</u>	
<u>WORKING CAPITAL:</u>			<u>42963.15</u>
<u>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS:</u>			<u>47975.91</u>
<u>FINANCED BY:</u>			
BALANCE B/F: (2022)		34541.21	
EXCESS OF INCOME / EXPENDITURE:		<u>13434.70</u>	
<u>RE-VALUATION RESERVE:</u>		<u>0.00</u>	
<u>BALANCE C/F (2023):</u>			<u>47975.91</u>

For the financial year in question the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 - relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility 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.

Signed 

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Date : 01.07.2023.

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I. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A DEPRECIATION

- B** Depreciation is provided to write off fixed assets over the anticipated useful lives.
2. Fixtures and Fittings are depreciated at 15% per annum using the straight line method.

C TAXATION

Not applicable as the Company / Charity is registered as a not for profit making organisation as such all funds and activities of the Charity / Company are applied exclusively for the benefit of the charity.

D DEFERRED TAXATION

Not applicable.

E POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no events since the balance sheet date, which effects the position of the Company / Charity.

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REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTANTS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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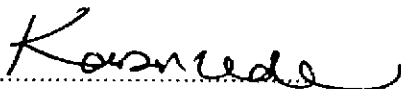
As described in the Director's Report on pages 3 to 6 and on the Balance Sheet on page 6, you are responsible for the preparation of annual accounts for the period ending 01/04/2022 – 31/03/2023.

As set out on page 4 & 6 and you consider that the Company is entitled to exemption from the requirements of an audit in accordance to section of 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain full audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The director's acknowledge their responsibility of complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

According to your instructions, we have compiled these appended accounts herewith on the basis of accounting records, and from information and explanations supplied to us.



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DATE: **01/07/2023**