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Supporting communities, enterprising minds and active citizens

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CHAIR

The Charity has been waiting for this move since March 2020, when the Lease was granted, but due to covid-19 virus outbreak and subsequent lockdown, the move has not been possible. The Centre was also broken into several times during lockdown meaning that after end of lockdown in March 2022, making it difficult move in, until work on the Centre had been undertaken by the Council enabling us to make the important move. to undertake a lot of refurbishment and repairs before we could move in. This move took place in November 2022 to what I now the Charity's main home. This is brilliant news for our users and stakeholders, who will now have access to great facilities, especially the large hall and kitchen. We also have started to draft and agree on the Terms of Reference for the Management of the Centre as ACCM (UK) on currently the tenant that will be supported by a new Management Committee in running the Centre. We are all looking forward to this opportunity.

As Chair, I am proud of ACCM (UK) reaching this milestone during difficult times of covid-19 lockdown and after, not just supporting our important users but being able to raise relevant funding to continue making a difference to our users' lives. The highlight in our fund raising is raising £50,000 non restricted funding from Lloyds Bank Foundation that made a huge different to our work especially the support the Charity received from its Enable and Enhance Programmes. The Enable and Enhance Programmes fully funded by Lloyds Bank Foundation, enabled the charity to undertake its various events or activities by learning and sharing information and good practice with other organisation through Peer to Peer Programme or via Tema/Webinars with appointed Consultants from Cranfield Trust. These limited risks as well.

Our reaching out to make a difference, continued to help break down barriers, tackle abuse, improve access and use of statutory services that enabled us to reach over 4,000 beneficiaries with limited staff and financial capacity. We therefore do not work in isolation, and work with a wide range of local partners helping them to understand the needs of the local BAME community.

I am also proud of its operations, progress made and continuing growth in delivering services, its strength and health is due to the leadership of the Director, support, and inspiration of her team of staff and volunteers my fellow Trustees and our funders, supporters and partners making it all possible to meet our objects and goals. We do acknowledge there will be risks in our new Centre, but with support from Lloyds Bank Foundation, Locality, CVS and other consultants we should be able to manage these risks.

We are particular very grateful to the Bedford Borough Council supporting the Charity with provision of office premises rent free. Now that we have made the move to the Centre, we hope that the Council will now complete its works quickly to make the Centre fit for the purpose as a Community Asset.

As we look ahead in our new home, we see opportunities and challenges, especially funding as the funding environment has become so competitive since end of lockdown. As we have managed to succeed in the last 15 years, we should be able to achieve, grow and succeed again in the next 15 years on behalf of our users.

On behalf of my fellow Trustees, I would like to thank the Director, staff, volunteers, users and supporters and most importantly our funders especially Bedford Borough Council, Compass Wellbeing CIC, Lloyds Bank Foundation, The Panacea Charitable Trust, The Harpur Trust, ScrewFix and more, who have provided us with important grants, that have made it possible for the project to continue being successful. I look forward to committing myself as Chair and serving ACCM (UK) for another successful and fulfilling year.

Tarsim Kalyan
Chair / Director

OUTPUTS AND MILESTONES

Platinum Jubilee Celebration
450 people attended

Coffee Mornings
45 attended

International Women's Day
40 Ladies and 5 men

Trip to Great Yarmouth – 33
Trip to Parliament – 16

Bedford African Community
Event – 600 attend

FGM / FM / HBV
Professional training
165 attendees

Stay Well This Winter
43 people attended.

ESOL Lessons – 35 Learners
IT Lessons – 10 Learners
Skills and Development – 22

Yoga - Wellbeing Exercises
11 people

Nutrition and Cooking
10 people

Litter Picking with Council
20 people attended

Covid Vaccination and promotion
1750

Reaching Out to Elderly - 45
Attended 1 Events

ONE TO ONE SUPPORTED CASES

Domestic Violence	113 cases
FGM/HBV/FM	11 cases
Sexual Abuse	15 cases
Legal Advice	33 cases
Mental Health	280 cases
No recourse to funding	26 cases
Bereavement	4 cases

Housing / Benefits	34 cases
Information/Chat	75 cases
Multiple Issues	124 cases
Modern slavery	2 cases
Into employment	9 cases
Counselling	71 cases

Total 797 SUPPORTED CASES

TOTAL Beneficiaries 4075

WHAT WE DID

‘REACHING OUT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE’

Highlights of the Year – 1st June 2022 to 31st May 2023

Tackling All Forms of Abuse

One to One User Analysis

“Without ACCM (UK) ’s support and help I and my children would have been sent back to Pakistan because my abusive ex-husband’s did not like the arranged marriage, cancelled my visa as he wanted to marry someone else.” Ms F

The need for us to provide emotional and practical support, to victims of all forms of abuse between June 2022 to end of May 2023, was very challenging and greater than even before. The community we serve was under more stress during and after Covid lockdown, as victims spent most of their time in doors with abusers, some of the abusers were children, as there was nowhere for them to go or friends to play with to occupy their time especially in families that did not have internet or computer for home learning.

Despite end of lockdown taking place in March 2022, it took a while for people to start venturing out. What we have now established, is that when something like Covid-19 or a pandemic hit and there is lockdown, the impact trebled for victims of abuse, especially if they no recourse to funding or that most statutory support services were working from home or not open and victims with languages issues did not know where to go. The Lockdown had intensified their problems as service that would help them such as Home Office or legal advisers or temporary accommodation had not opened fully after end of lockdown.

Through our One to One support services, face to face or by telephone, we established that fear about immigration status or being separated from their children, also deterred people from getting help or the care they needed. There is also lack of knowledge of how the system works or fear of involving authorities as it may make their challenging situation even worse, made it difficult for victims to seek help or flee sooner.

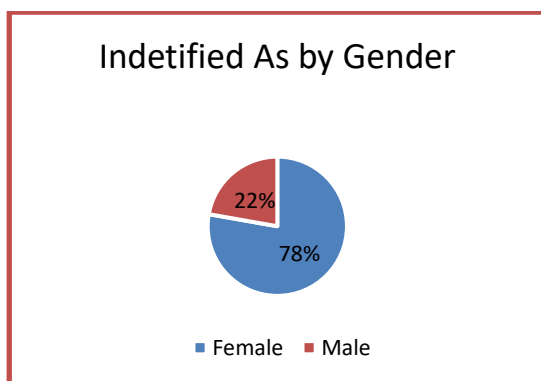
During the period June 2022 to May 2023 we supported following beneficiaries:

- We supported around 264 victims of abuse
- Majority, 107 were victims of domestic violence with 10 victims of sexual abuse
- Provided telephone or face to face counselling for 65 users
- 210 of the victims suffered from different forms of mental health ranging from anxiety, stress or trauma
- We worked closely with Bedfordshire Police, YMCA, One Housing and Bedford Borough Council to provide emergency housing for 32 victims fleeing abuse.

Analysis of victims:

Reason for referral of seeing us - Some will be counted more than once		
	No	%
Domestic violence	113	16
Sexual abuse	15	2
Mental Health	280	35
Modern slavery	2	0
Counselling	71	9
Information / support	75	9
Helped into employment or education	9	1
FGM/HBV / FM	11	1
Children – Child Protection	3	0
Social Benefits / No recourse to funding	26	3
Housing/Benefits	34	4
Legal	33	4
Bereavement	4	1
Multiple reasons	121	15
Total	797	

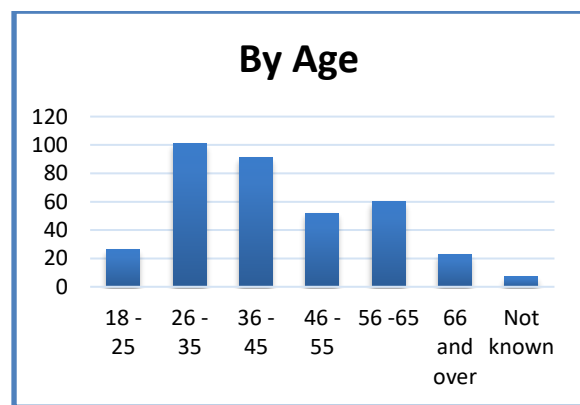
By Gender:



By Faith		
	No	%
Moslem	230	64
Hindu	24	7
Christian	69	19
Sikh	11	3
Ravidassia	25	7
Not known	1	0
Total	360	

Victims by Race:

Race	Total	%
African/African Caribbean	45	18
White British	32	13
Pakistan	150	59
Bangladeshi	37	14
Chinese	3	1
Spanish	9	4
East Europeans	26	10
Arabs	8	3
Indians	41	16
Unknown	9	4
Total	360	



Summary of Data

- Majority of the victims were aged between 36 and 45 years old.
- 56% were of Pakistan origin
- 44% were of Moslem Faith

Victims' Voices Heard:

Many victims have said to us that:



What Victims/Survivors told us:

"I was abused beaten; I had no where to go. ACCMUK helped report to police, found me a refuge to move in straightaway. I was given one to one support counselling and some items to get me started at the refuge, helped with the NMO as I was abused, helped me with benefits when I got my own flat. I was encouraged to join their ESOL classes, helped with CV and I now have a paid job. Thank you ACCM (UK)."

"I was forced to marry my cousin abroad When I come back I got in touch with ACCM UK who helped me report this crime and protect me by getting a forced marriage protection order, I was helped with legal aid and costs involved, I was helped to flee safely to a safe home where now I am comfortable and having one to one support over the phone and counselling provided by ACCM UK. Thank you for understanding me and the sensitive cultural issues".

"I was mentally, physically going through a traumatic time, I was referred to ACCM UK by my local Cllr, honestly after receiving support from them I see light at the end of the tunnel."

I was a victim of honor-based violence and forced marriage. I was refereed by Bedfordshire police to ACCM UK after end of pandemic lockdown. I was pleased I found ACCM UK who gave me face-to-face counselling, and all the support that was needed to rebuild my life up again. Honestly Rehana was a super star in my life she really gave me hope and supported me through my most difficult time. Thank you ACCM UK for being here for me blessed to have you.

“I am very grateful that I have had support from ACCM UK charity of humanity Thank you “

“I am a victim of DV I was in need ACCM UK helped and supported me Thank you “

“I am was in need and had no support for me and my children thank you for your ongoing support “

“Thank you for the food parcel in this difficult time I am very happy “

“Thank you very much ACCM UK for the food parcels “

“Karan said a big thank you as I am particularly sighted and cannot get to the shops”

Building Upon Our Track Record

Tackling Health and Wellbeing Inequalities

The activities, sessions and workshops are developed in response to our existing work and on-going input from our users and community members. In planning to engage with communities who are often hard to reach and who had been seriously impacted by Covid-19 lockdown and other issues on their lives, we organised open events including:

- **The Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebration**

After lockdown and fear of covid-19 virus, the only event that would bring communities back out in the streets or halls to celebrate was The Queens 75th Jubilee Celebrations. ACCM (UK) in collaboration with Bedford African Community groups, organised a multicultural event on 3rd June 2022 at Cauldwell Community Centre with aim of encouraging diverse communities in Bedford to come out, have fun and celebrate, relax with others while celebrating The Jubilee. Around 450 people attended. According to the Mayor of Bedford, the High Sheriff, Local MP and Deputy Lord Lieutenant, our Jubilee Celebrations Event was the best in Bedford and Luton.

“The High Sheriff, Lady Crawford said 2,, I am not happy to leave early for another event but this was the best event I have attended so far, with the man eating fire. It was amazing..”

“Celebrating Platinum Jubilee has enabled diverse communities to come out again after lockdown. Well done ACCM (UK) and Bedford African Community. Music and drumming were great.” Mayor of Bedford



Sir Clifford, far left, Lady Clifford – Bedfordshire High Sheriff with hat, with ACCM (UK)’s staff and Trustee

- **Reaching out to the Elderly:**

Organised Elderly Event in partnership with East London NHS Foundation (Recovery College) and Age UK on 23rd May 2023. ACCM (UK) promoted the event amongst minority elderly communities in the Bedford and surrounding areas and provided refreshments. 45 people attended with 4 health awareness and virus -vaccine Programmes, stalls, and health exercises. Feedback included:

‘Absolutely loved it, has helped me get out.’

‘I have not seen my neighbour since 2020 and delighted to meet her here again.’

“I have not seen my friends Phyllis for two years and coming here was a great thing as I have met her and we cannot stop talking ...”

- **Bedford African Community**

“This is the first time for my family to come out into the town centre. Thank you for organising the event to get people out again”

On 24th September 2022 ACCM (UK) in partnership with Bedford African Community Groups organised Bedford African Day Event at the Harpur Suite, in the town Centre. This has been a very popular town centre event that attracts on average over 600 people to bring Bedford African and diverse Communities and some from as far as London, Leicester, Northamptonshire, Luton, Milton Keynes, Cambridgeshire, together share the African culture of music, food, dance, magic, storytelling and colourful costumes and more. In 2022/23, we had over 700 people attending with many telling us it is the best event ever with just over 13% telling us it was their first time they have come out of the house into town centre since lockdown.



“Are there any classes for Africana culture, especially music and story telling in Bedford so my children can learn something about their heritage?”

“The costumes are so colourful and different from different countries!”

- **Diabetes**

In June 2022 we organised health and wellbeing session on diabetes in Queens Park, for 31 people, mostly elderly or their carers to update knowledge of how to cope and manage their diabetes. It has been difficult for many, especially those who don't speak English in accessing GP support. This event was crucial to reassure them and have some checks from the Diabetes Nurse.

- **Nutrition and Cooking**

Moving to Cauldwell Community Centre, has enabled the Charity to start providing nutrition and cooking sessions. Covid-19 lockdown impacted on many vulnerable people who were already living under poverty even before covid-19. The lockdown made life difficult for many especially the elderly and those from BAME communities. The economic hardship that followed end of lockdown as some could not return to work meant that their lives became harder. Due to lockdown majority of food items, power supply and common items needed became expensive meaning that majority of our users struggled with high cost of living. To do our bit to help, we started running nutrition and cooking a healthy meal on a budget and where to shop for cheap but healthy items.

We ran ten session and 11 people attended, majority from migrant communities many from our ESOL Classes.



Enjoying the cooked meal

- **Coffee Mornings**

The Charity continued to run Coffee Mornings after end of covid lockdown from May 2022 at our previous offices at Woburn Street. These often attracted around 35 people mainly homeless White men, who were pro-

vided with other support services such as counselling or support into

housing. Surgeries were also held on legal advice, benefits or health checks with a pharmacist who also gave advice on medication if they were on long term medication.

We moved to Cauldwell Community Centre in November 2022, and in January we started the Coffee mornings sessions, run on Thursdays from 11.00 am to 12.00 pm. Occasionally we organised with statutory service providers and other organisations to hold stalls to share information. This was bringing service providers to the community.

• Skills and Development Programme

Our Skills and Development sessions support people who are not economically active or have lost their jobs to train in new skills, build confidence in searching for or changing careers into new areas.

In the Year 2022/2023 we had 22 Learners on the programme funded by SEMLEP. Since the programme started in 2019, the Charity has supported over 258 people into employment or volunteering and some have gone on to College in Bedford or Luton to continue their learning.

• Day Holiday Trip to Great Yarmouth Beach

As a Charity we are fully aware that some of our users do not go on holiday outside or have never seen the sea. We often plan a picnic beach day holiday for our users and their families. This was a popular trip before covid pandemic and restarted again after end of lockdown. On 30th July 2022 – trip for 40 families to the Great Yarmouth beach was organised.

Very successful as 11% said they had never been to the seaside or beach. Word of mouth is very powerful medium in promoting something amongst BAME communities as those who withdrew because due to lack of confidence in travelling that far or that their controlling partners or in-laws disapproved of them going to a beach where people walk nude, regretted missing out and now wish to go on the next trip. This was the first every holiday for 6 of the attendees and a first to a beach for many.



- **Organ Donation**

During 2022 and 2023 we continued this work in partnership with Bedford Hospital holding open stalls in Bedford town centre and the Hospital, giving out information, and getting people from minority heritage to sign and they are fewer donors and highest demand. Reached over 200 people.



- **Living Well this Winter**

The Charity in partnership with Kempston Local Councillors runs Living Well This Winter event for elderly people. Elderly people in particular those of Asian and African background often live in isolation and are not aware of any support or help available to them during winter times.

We run the event based on information giving and raising awareness by encouraging all relevant service providers, including Age UK, Health Watch, Public Health/NHS, Pharmacists, Fire Brigade, Community Safety Police to hold stalls to provide any information, advice, support that may help elderly to get through winter safely.

We also had NHS Nurses providing flue and vaccine jabs that were all taken up with more required and told to go to their GPs.



In November 2022 we help this event in Kempston with 43 people attending.

• Covid -19 and Vaccine Awareness

The Charity continued this important work in raising awareness and promoting the vaccine as a preventive measure to communities of East European, African and African Caribbean who had not taken up the vaccine.

This pandemic that ended in March 2022 amplified issues of food insecurity, rise in anxiety and mental health due to isolation and fear of the unknown. Social media continues to spread misinformation though majority of people are starting to understand the virus and to move forward with their lives. There is still some confusion amongst some vulnerable communities of African, African Caribbean and East Europeans, with most people now facing economic hardship due to high living costs as some lost their jobs or are now off sick due to stress or covid-19 itself.

The end of coronavirus (Covid-19) lockdown in March 2022 enabled the Charity to continue delivering services and support to our users, but this time organising face to face events, seeing users in our offices at Woburn Road before our move to Cauldwell Community Centre in November 2022. We held three vaccination days in Cauldwell and Kempston with 20 taking up vaccine either for the first time or second top up.



Faith Leaders continue to support the campaign especially as majority of their elderly members have not returned. Coffee morning or activities in Faith Centres were planned to get people back out again especially in Miracle Church, in Alexandria Road.

Between June 2022 and end of May 2023, we reached out to around 750 users.

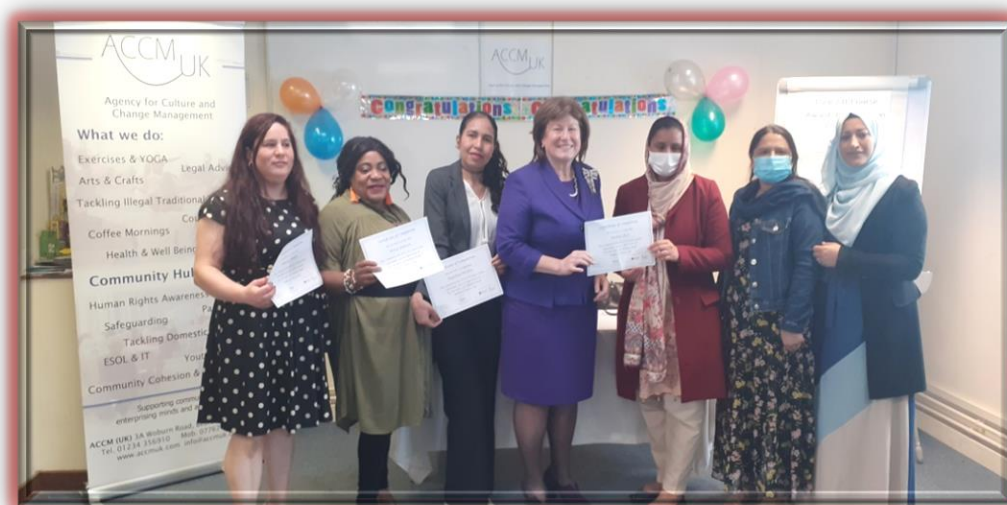
Challenges and way forward:

- There are still challenges but they are not as prominent and complex as before end of lockdown. Majority of people are accepting the existence of the virus, and some continue to take up the vaccine for the first time as a preventive measure.
- There are still others especially of African and African Caribbean or East Europeans who still feel anxious about the virus to the extent that some refuse to take their children to school and are home schooling them.
- Some older children have also decided they are better off learning from home especially if they were bullied or did not like school life.

• ESOL and IT Programme

Although the pandemic lockdown brought our ESOL and IT sessions to a halt, these quickly resumed after lockdown as we already have a waiting list of learners. Session started at our previous Woburn Road offices in June 2022 and were moved to Cauldwell Community Centre in January 2023 with 25 Learners initially started increasing to 35 ESOL and 11 IT Learners.

By end of May 2022 some of the Learners who were now proficient in English and IT graduated with the Lord Lieutenant as guest to hand out certificates in June 2022.



Some of the Learners receiving Certificates from Lord Lieutenant in purple suit

When we moved to Cauldwell Community Centre, ESOL and IT classes continued and we will have another group graduating in June or July 2023.

This was an exciting event for the Learners who took a walk to the Terence Higgins Library to learn about Bedford heritage. A third of the Learners have never been to the museum before.

Our IT classes are to reduce digital inequality as some of our users, who do not have access to internet, computer or smart phone are unable to engage, use online facilities to shop, pay bills, make appointments, receive information or report crime or use social media to meet others, communicate and engage in community events.

We were delighted to receive 10 laptops from TESCO via a partner organisation FACE. FACES received the laptops after the Mayor Dave Hodgson asked for support.



IT Classes

• **Community Radio**

Due to the difficulty in finding a volunteer to help manage and run the Radio coupled with Covid-19 lockdown we have not been able to restart our plans of launching the Community Radio Station. time ACCM (UK) has yet to launch its Community Radio set up in partnership with Capital Radio FM.

After moving to Cauldwell Community Centre, we are refurbishing our basement space to set up our Radio services there. We are in talks with local Groups who are interested in using the services for community purposes.

This will be a very important resource to have as we will be able to reach out to many house bound users and communities in various languages to promote our services, activities and current issues of interest and concerns.

• **Movement for Good funding**

ACCM (UK) was nominated and won Movement for Good Award in in June 2020 with £1,000 towards its work by the Bedfordshire Community.

Winning the Movement for Good Award means a lot to our users who benefit from our services especially during this Covid-19 difficult times. The award will enable us to continue providing essential service to our users. We are very grateful to our funders, supporters and users who continue to support us.

Due to Covid-19 Lockdown, the Charity was only able to attend the Ceremony at London Westminster Abby, that was attended by various organisations that were also winner. The HRH Prince of Wales was in attendance.

The Charity was represented by the Director, who was able to meet other winners, share experiences and good practice.



Director at Westminster Abbey enjoying a chart with other attendees

Working with other Community Groups & Organisations

ACCM (UK) works with a wide range of local, regional, national and occasionally international partners and networks to help support our community members, and also raise the issues that they face at different levels. Our work involves sharing learning, supporting outreach and cross-referrals with the following:

- Bedford Borough Council's – Working with their Safeguarding, Housing, Education, Adult Social Care, Equalities, Parks, and Public Health Teams. We support the Council's Strategies to tackle and improve the health and wellbeing and safety of the Bedfordshire's most vulnerable communities by running health and well-being programmes targeting minorities and vulnerable hard to reach communities promoting and running health and well-being programmes in community settings or liaising with Council officers to support victims of all forms of violence in search of protection, housing, benefits, or safer streets promotion. The Council also provides trainers to support our health and well-being programmes.
- Bedford Luton and Milton Keynes (BLMK) Health / NHS – Joint work promoting current health issues or concerns, reaching out to minority and hard to reach communities to give out information either by organising Free Coffee Morning, or health and wellbeing events to improve health outcomes.
- Local GP's – Supporting health outreach checks, referrals in partnership with mosques, temples and community centres at times which are convenient to a diversity of communities and age groups.
- Bedfordshire CAB and Social Benefits – To support people with financial hardships and interpretation or completing online forms.
- Bedford College – Support with our ESOL and IT Learners and supporting learners back into employment and further education.
- Bedfordshire Refugee and Asylum Support Services (BRASS) and Polish British Integration Centre (PBIC) – Both refer their beneficiaries to our ESOL and skills development programmes. BRASS works with new immigrants/refugees, some of them are victims of cultural practices such as FGM or child marriage and refers them to us to provide appropriate information on the law and support. PBIC also refers victims of domestic violence, to provide support into legal advice, housing or benefits if required.
- Health Watch, Hidden Hearing, East London Foundation Trust (ELFT) – Recovery College – organising joint health and wellbeing activities.
- Victim's Support and Bedfordshire Police – Independent Domestic Violence Advocacy (IDVA) - working in partnership to support victims of violence.
- Relate and The Samaritans – Ongoing referral pathways for our community members when in need.
- One Housing, YMCA/IMPAKT and Women's Aid Luton – Providing emergency housing for victims fleeing from abuse or homeless vulnerable people.
- Local Religious and Community Leaders – Helping to promote our work with their communities and congregations and using their religious radios to make announcements and make venues available to our activities and workshops.
- ACCM (UK) also supports local grassroots communities by offering them use of rooms or hall and kitchens to bring their communities together, hold meetings, have fun, talks to raise

awareness about issues of interest and concern, share diaspora, culture and faith and more. This is part of the Charity's aim, to reach out engage and bring communities together especially in Cauldwell Community Ward that has many vulnerable grassroots communities or Italian, Est European, African, African Caribbean and South Asian. The Centre is for the community to access and use.

Through our track record we are recognised as having, this includes us regularly working with a range of partners, facilitating joint conferences, events, training, health talks and workshops with many of our partners listed above to address addressing emerging community needs. While maximizing cost-effectiveness, outreach networks and expertise, complementary skills set ensure quality standards and cultural sensitivity in addressing complex and sensitive casework or awareness-raising campaigns on issues such as suicide, forced marriages and domestic violence.

We also work with both the local Fire service and Park wardens to deliver sessions on home and personal safety, providing equipment and checks. These sessions are important for our community members, and we enable the local statutory services to engage them at grassroots.

Challenges & Opportunities

Challenges and Risks:

Although the Charity has experience of delivering support, activities and sessions for our community, and also working with them to identify what is needed, there are still some risks and challenges involved including:

- Though the move to Cauldwell Community Centre as our new home, there are risks as the Centre is located in one of Bedford's most deprived Ward - Cauldwell, with many residents struggling with high living costs, elderly and most residents from migrant heritage, especially East Europeans, Asian and African or African Caribbean heritage.
- The Centre is also seen as a liability acquired from the Council, that is responsible for the building, but takes a long time to make repairs or fix things damaged during lockdown or have been neglected before lockdown, when the Centre was locked up or broken into several times during lockdown.
- Significant increases in demand – As highlighted demand for support has increased over the last few years, and we are seeing more users and community members that have or are facing multiple issues. Any significant increase in demand would put pressure upon our relatively small staff capacity. We would manage this through ensuring that staff receive the supervision and support required in the first place. Where required we may also introduce short waiting lists for support, to help manage any sudden peak. We can also reduce our awareness raising activities for a short period whilst we address any waiting lists. If demand continued to be high and above what would be deliverable by the team, we would look to increase capacity through securing additional grant funding supporting additional staff members or referrals to our partners or other agencies that may also provide needed support or help.
- Development of the Community centre – we have secured the new building and are currently operating there. There are plans for refurbishing the centre on a staged basis to ensure that we can keep running services and support to our users. However, there is a risk that more significant refurbishments may be identified once any works start, and we need to be prepared to close part of the centre if required. As a contingency to this we would look to deliver more of our services in outreach facilities with partners on a short-term basis. This would ensure a continuation of our work and engagement with this most in need.
- Succession planning - The current Director has indicated that she wishes to stand down at the end of 2024 and a new Director needs to be recruited in the next year to take over. The risk is when Trustees will be able to find suitable replacement. The Charity has spoken to ACEVO and Locality to get advice and support on recruitment of new Director. Locality has offered support towards drafting Job Specification, advertising and Recruiting. Lloyds Bank Foundation, who have provided non-restricted grants also offer support in this area.
- Trustees, staff and volunteer training – As highlighted, currently the team of Trustees, staff and volunteers are at full capacity, which gives little time and space for developing their skills through training. Through the development of the new Community hub, this may be further compromised. However, we do aim to increase the number of Trustees and volunteers over the next 2-years to help meet the capacity needs at both governance and delivery level. We are also currently in the process of seeking funding from the Lloyds Bank Foundation, which will include support through their Enhance programme to train and support our Trustees.

Opportunities:

The Year 2022/23, as highlighted above was busy, reaching out to make a difference to the needs of the most vulnerable, despite the challenges brought about by coronavirus pandemic and lockdown. We continue to work closely with our partners, including, Health Watch, Bedfordshire Police, Bedford Borough Council Councillors, and staff from different departments including housing, properties, safeguarding and public health, Bedford Hospital, various GP surgeries, NHS CIS and diverse community organisations.

In November 2022 the Charity was excited to move to its new home at Cauldwell Community Centre. This gives the Charity and opportunity to set up a new Community Hub, Safe and Warm place for vulnerable people to come to, speak to us or get help and information with confidence, with a kitchen to help serve refreshments to those in need. Most importantly, the Centre will be a Hub for the community to use or hire for their use generating income to sustain the Centre.

With the move to the Centre, the Charity, the Charity needs to recruit new Trustees to help manage the Centre with the support of the Cauldwell Community Centre Management Committee that has just been established with its own Terms of Reference. The Charity now has four Trustees on the Board.

We will continue working closely with local Community and Faith Leaders who continue to support our work to reach out to more hidden people especially the who have been more reluctant to get out. With the Centre as a Community Hub, safe and warm place, we will continue to encourage them to refer vulnerable people, especially elderly, victims of abuse and young families for support and counselling. Their support with publicity and promoting our services through Faith Radio Stations and prayer congregations will help reach out to hard-to-reach communities who trust their Faith and Community Leaders as a source of information, especially for those who are house bound or do not speak English.

As a community hub, we will also run open day events/activities at several points during the year. These won't be focused upon our day-to-day users but aim to raise the profile of the centre amongst the wider community to further engage them. This is likely to include events based on International Food or Cultural Themes such as Mexican, African, South Asian, Chinese, and so on, where we will charge a minimal fee to an evening out with food, entertainment from that culture. This will attract over 100 people per event.

Our move Cauldwell Community Centre will continue to develop over the lifetime of the grant as our support continues to be informed by our community. Additionally, as different refurbishment elements are completed, we will be able to further increase the range of activities and opportunities for our users and community members we can deliver. Within the first year this includes the development of the kitchen space and development of a community kitchen where nutrition and healthy eating services will be provided.

Working with local women with a passion for food, we also aim to run Community Food Kitchen where meals will be prepared and sold to earn income for them and the Centre, while also servicing those in need such as elderly or homeless people with a hot meal. We have four ladies ready to start the Community kitchen service to attract 50 people a day to eat or feed around 20 homeless people a week.

Part of the project also aims to build an element of sustainability through generating income and the Council complete the repairs and the Centre is fit for the Purpose we will start hiring out the spare rooms and hall to bring new income. This will enable the Charity to then go for full ownership and take over the Centre as an asset for the community use.

ACCM(UK) Finances & Grants

Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources					
Activities in furtherance of the Charity's objects					
Grant Receivable		35,284	60,489	95,773	141,781
Fees and Bank Interest					
Total Incoming Resources		<u>35,284</u>	<u>60,489</u>	<u>95,773</u>	<u>141,781</u>
Resources Expended:					
Cost of activities in furtherance of Charity's Objects					
Direct Charitable Expenditure		2663	13927	16590	11751
Management and Administration					
Office rent and services		3483	7228	10711	8671
Salaries		13216	54597	67813	71658
Training		0	4860	4860	167
Accountancy and professional fees		1,085	3860	4885	5206
Volunteer Expenses		150	234	384	80
Travel & subsistence		240	580	820	4
Consultancy		1679	0	1679	2040
Administrative		4076	5802	9878	4917
Subscriptions		0	497	497	366
Bank Charges		94	143	237	175
Staff Miscellaneous		666	721	1387	416
Depreciation		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Resource Expended		<u>27,352</u>	<u>92,389</u>	<u>119,741</u>	<u>105,451</u>
Net (Expenditure/Income)					
				-	
For the Year		7,932	-31,900	23,968	36,330
Total Funds at 1st June 2022		<u>17,670</u>	<u>62,108</u>	<u>79,778</u>	<u>43,448</u>
Total Funds 31st May 2023		<u>25,602</u>	<u>30,208</u>	<u>55,810</u>	<u>79,778</u>

Our Plans for Next Year

- ***Bringing people together and building strong relationships in and across communities*** – The project will continue our links and engagement with the local community, and in particular focusing upon those who are missed or missing out, including those from BAME communities, isolated older people, and homeless people. From our community centre and venue, we will bring the community together to help them develop and build links and relationships with each other, and with our range of partners. Importantly through the project and the range of support, referrals and links we will help our community members to build links with statutory agencies and mainstream providers, ensuring that they are aware of what is available to them, and that they do not fall between the cracks, or disappear off their radars. Through our outreach and links we will continue to develop our reach engaging community members that are isolated, including those who are still concerned and looking to protect themselves from Covid-19.
- ***Improving the places and spaces that matter to communities*** – This will support the delivery of our work at our new Community hub and centre, which itself continues to be improved and developed. Over the next 2-years we will be increasing the useable outdoor space to include a community garden and rest and play area to help support an increasing number of our community members. Once fencing has been installed, we will develop the garden and outdoor space engaging more community members to become volunteers or for existing volunteers and users to try a new activity. These will improve the places and spaces that matter to our beneficiaries and our community, providing them with a space to relax in the garden, and growing vegetables or flowers.
- ***Enable more people to fulfil their potential by working to address issues at the earliest possible stage*** – Our project will help community members to recognise and tackle health issues that they are facing, and through the links developed with health services and charities they are able to access treatment and care where needed. Tackling health issues at the earliest possible stage will help with recovery, and our project will enable us to engage those that have been missed, or who have previously ignored direct contact from health services. Being trusted by our community and engaging them in the right way is key here. Our initial training and education support (ESOL, IT, Skills and Development sessions) help our community members to develop their English-speaking skills, enable them to communicate, access and use statutory services, get information from mainstream media, and engage with other communities in the local area while participating in local activities. We continue to help and enable our users to access social media, pay bills, search for information for jobs or training, make appointments, applications or join education programmes via Zoom. Our Skills and Development sessions help people who have lost their jobs, or are new in the UK, to build their confidence in searching for new jobs, improve and support with interview skills. We also help them to secure funds for clothing if invited for interviews.

Service Users' Comments

Quotes from ACCM (UK)'s Uses

You Should Never Let Your Fears Prevent you From Doing What You Know is Right. Thank you ACCM I would not have done it.

ESOL Learner and victim of abuse who fled to safety

"Thank you for organizing this Jubilee Event. It got me out after two years of not going to or seeing anyone. I am now confident to get out again." Elderly lady

I was a victim of honor based violence and forced marriage I was refereed by Bedfordshire police to ACCM UK during the pandemic I was pleased I found ACCM UK supported me and helped me rebuild my life up again. Honestly, Rehana gave me hope and supported me throughout my most difficult time. Thank you ACCM UK for being there for me blessed to have you.

"IK. I am a single parent said thank you very much"

"This type of event showing the options available to people is key".

"Arrived from Africa with no skills or English language knowledge and was very much troubled with no trust for anyone. At ACCM (UK) they encouraged me to join the Peer led Group where I have met knew people, improved my English. Most importantly I have had counselling that has enabled me to be confident and start to look forward to a new life."

Album

1. ESOL and IT Sessions



Some of the Learners at ESOL Classes

2. Meet the Police:



Some ESOL Learners with the Local Safety Community Police Officer

3. Nutrition and cooking a healthy meal on a budget:



Preparing items for cooking



Enjoying the meal



4. Bedford African Community Event – 22nd September 2022



Zulu dancers



Bedford Mayor, Dave Hodgson - tasting some African cuisine

5. International Women's Day March 2023



Women relaxing with gentle exercises

6. Reaching Out to the Elderly July 2022



Refreshments provided by ACCM (UK) and some of the Elderly attending our event in May and July 2022

7. The Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations – Cauldwell Community Centre



From Left to right – Mayor Dave Hodgson’s Officer, Mayor Dave Hodgson, Sir Crofford and Lady Crofford – Bedfordshire High Sheriff.

8. Litter Pick at Cauldwell Community Centre



Neighbours, Students, MP (Middle), Ward Councelors and staff



More information and photos can be found on our website

www.accmuk.com

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lQFm8_FpVaQ

Or can be requested by contacting us at info@accmuk.com or 01234 356910.

FUNDED AND SUPPORTED BY:



Queens Park and Cauldwell Ward Councillors

AND MANY MORE



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Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

For The Year Ended 31st May 2023

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Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023

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The principal activities and objectives of the charity are the relief of poverty and sickness, the advancement of education, the preservation and the protection of good health among ethnic minorities in England and Wales and other parts of the world. In setting these objectives the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee and is therefore governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

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The directors and trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. They are also responsible for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Review of Activities

The trustees' review of activities is set out in a separate document.

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The charity has a reserves policy in place.

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Summary of Financial Position

The Statement of Financial Activities shows net resources of (£23968) for the year. Reserves amount to £55810 of which £30208 lie in restricted funds committed to specific purpose.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the trust and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to major risks.

Directors and Trustees

All directors of the company are also trustees of the charity. There are no other trustees. All the trustees retire at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting but are eligible for re-appointment. The trustees may appoint a person as a trustee to fill a vacancy or to act as an additional trustee.

This report is prepared in accordance with the special provision of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The report of the directors and trustee was approved by the board on 29/09/2023 and signed on its behalf by:-



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Chair

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Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES/MEMBERS OF ACCM (UK)

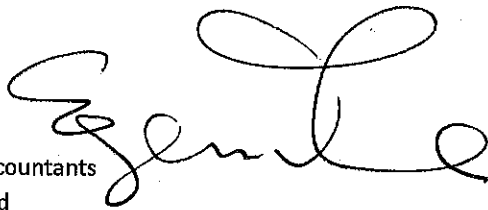
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In accordance with your instructions, we have compiled these unaudited financial statements in order to assist you to fulfil your statutory responsibilities, from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to us.

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ACCM(UK)**Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023****STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

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Staff Miscellaneous	666	721	1387	416
Total Resources Expended	<u>27352</u>	<u>92389</u>	<u>119741</u>	<u>105451</u>
Net (Expenditure)/Income				
For the Year	7932	-31900	-23968	36330
Total Funds 1st June 2022	<u>17670</u>	<u>62108</u>	<u>79778</u>	<u>43448</u>
Total Funds 31st May 2023	<u>25602</u>	<u>30208</u>	<u>55810</u>	<u>79778</u>

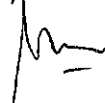
ACCM(UK)**Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023****BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MAY 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Fixed Assets	3		0		0
Current Assets					
Bank A/C		57155		80578	
Cash		455	57610	1000	81578
			57610		81578
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	4		1800		1800
Net Current Assets			<u>55810</u>		<u>79778</u>
Net Assets					
Income Funds					
Unrestricted income funds			25602		17670
Restricted income funds	5		30208		62108
Total Funds			<u>55810</u>		<u>79778</u>

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 May 2023. The Members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:-

- Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 396 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with companies with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 29/09/2023 and signed on its behalf by:-



Tarsim Lal Kalyan Chair

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Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the applicable United Kingdom Reporting Standards, the Charities Act 1993, and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities-Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Grants receivable

Grants in respect of revenue items are written off to the income and expenditure account in the period to which they relate. Grants in respect of specific projects are credited to a restricted fund, against which relevant expenditure is charged. Grants are not recognised as receivable until all conditions for receipt have been met. Where donor imposed restrictions apply to the timing of the related expenditure, as a pre-condition for its use, the grant is treated as deferred income until those restrictions are met. Grants relating to fixed assets are credited to a restricted fund on the income and expenditure account from which amounts are released to revenue over the same period as the depreciation period of the relevant assets.

Direct charitable expenditure

This will comprise all expenditure relating directly to the objects of the charity.

Management and administrative expenditure

This relates to expenditure incurred on the day to day running of the charity and not directly on projects.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of the fixed assets over their expected useful lives. The rates used are as followed:-

	%	
Fixtures and Fittings	15	Straight Line
Equipment	15	Straight Line

Fund accounting

Funds held by charity are either:-

Unrestricted funds - These are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - These are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity

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Notes to the Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023

1) Grants receivable

Grants were received from various organisations for the payment of salaries, consultancy, training and other running costs and are listed in note 5 to the accounts. The amount received in the year was £60489

2) Net (expenditure)/Income for the year	2023
	£

This is stated after charging:-

Accountants remuneration	1800
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2b) Staff Costs and Numbers

Salaries and Wages	67813
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No employee earned more than £60000 per annum (2023-nil).

3) Tangible Assets

	Equipment £	Furniture £	Total £
Cost	0	0	0
At 31/05/23	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Depreciation	0	0	0
Charge for the year	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
NBV 31/05/23	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
NBV 31/05/22	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023

4) Creditors – Amounts falling due within one year

	2023
	£
Accruals & trade creditors	1800

5) Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds to be applied for specific purposes. The details of the funds are set out below:-

Movement in Resources

	Balance at 01/06/22	Incoming	Outgoing	Balance at 31/05/23
	£	£	£	£
Bedford Borough Council Community Chest	0	1000	1000	0
Bedford Borough Council African Event	0	1500	1500	0
Bedford Borough Council - Covid	7276	9135	14024	2387
The Harpur Trust	0	800	800	0
Screwfix	4650	0	0	4650
The Panacea Charitable	3748	0	3748	0
Compass CIC	41190	0	25959	15231
SEMLEP	3281	0	3281	0
Solance and Labyrinth Women's AID	1963	1478	3441	0
Bedford Borough Council ESOL	0	33990	33990	0
South East NHS	0	7636	3205	4431
NHS BLMK	0	2950	1441	1509
St John's Hospital	0	2000	0	2000
TOTAL	62108	60489	92389	30208

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ACCM (UK)

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 May 2023, which are set out on pages 1 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are real so 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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an Independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7) (b) of the 1993 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 view 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 therefore 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 Accounting and Reporting by Charities -Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005) 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.

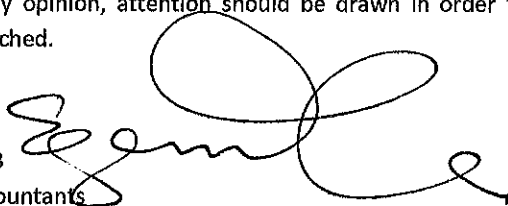
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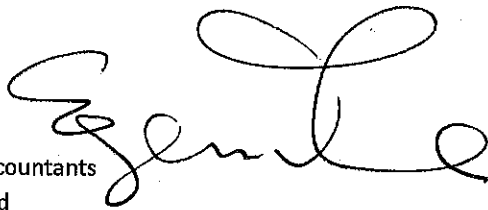
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Grant Receivable 1	35284	60489	95773	141781
Fees and Bank Interest				
Total Incoming Resources	<u>35284</u>	<u>60489</u>	<u>95773</u>	<u>141781</u>
Resources Expanded:				
Cost of activities in furtherance Of Charities objects				
Direct Charitable Expenditure	2663	13927	16590	11751
Management & Administration				
Office Rent and Services	3483	7228	10711	8671
Salaries	13216	54597	67813	71658
Training	0	4860	4860	167
Accountancy and professional fees	1085	3800	4885	5206
Volunteer Expenses	150	234	384	80
Travel & Subsistence	240	580	820	4
Consultancy	1679	0	1679	2040
Administrative	4076	5802	9878	4917
Subscription	0	497	497	366
Bank Charges	94	143	237	175
Staff Miscellaneous	666	721	1387	416
Total Resources Expended	<u>27352</u>	<u>92389</u>	<u>119741</u>	<u>105451</u>
Net (Expenditure)/Income				
For the Year	7932	-31900	-23968	36330
Total Funds 1st June 2022	<u>17670</u>	<u>62108</u>	<u>79778</u>	<u>43448</u>
Total Funds 31st May 2023	<u>25602</u>	<u>30208</u>	<u>55810</u>	<u>79778</u>

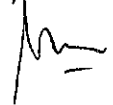
ACCM(UK)**Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023****BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MAY 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Fixed Assets	3		0		0
Current Assets					
Bank A/C		57155		80578	
Cash		455	57610	1000	81578
			57610		81578
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	4		1800		1800
Net Current Assets			<u>55810</u>		<u>79778</u>
Net Assets					
Income Funds					
Unrestricted income funds			25602		17670
Restricted income funds	5		30208		62108
Total Funds			<u>55810</u>		<u>79778</u>

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 May 2023. The Members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:-

- Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 396 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with companies with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 29/09/2023 and signed on its behalf by:-


 Tarsim Lal Kalyan Chair

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PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the applicable United Kingdom Reporting Standards, the Charities Act 1993, and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities-Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Grants receivable

Grants in respect of revenue items are written off to the income and expenditure account in the period to which they relate. Grants in respect of specific projects are credited to a restricted fund, against which relevant expenditure is charged. Grants are not recognised as receivable until all conditions for receipt have been met. Where donor imposed restrictions apply to the timing of the related expenditure, as a pre-condition for its use, the grant is treated as deferred income until those restrictions are met. Grants relating to fixed assets are credited to a restricted fund on the income and expenditure account from which amounts are released to revenue over the same period as the depreciation period of the relevant assets.

Direct charitable expenditure

This will comprise all expenditure relating directly to the objects of the charity.

Management and administrative expenditure

This relates to expenditure incurred on the day to day running of the charity and not directly on projects.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of the fixed assets over their expected useful lives. The rates used are as followed:-

	%	
Fixtures and Fittings	15	Straight Line
Equipment	15	Straight Line

Fund accounting

Funds held by charity are either:-

Unrestricted funds - These are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - These are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity

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Notes to the Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st May 2023

1) Grants receivable

Grants were received from various organisations for the payment of salaries, consultancy, training and other running costs and are listed in note 5 to the accounts. The amount received in the year was £60489

2) Net (expenditure)/Income for the year	2023
	£

This is stated after charging:-

Accountants remuneration	1800
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2b) Staff Costs and Numbers

Salaries and Wages	67813
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No employee earned more than £60000 per annum (2023-nil).

3) Tangible Assets

	Equipment £	Furniture £	Total £
Cost	0	0	0
At 31/05/23	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Depreciation	0	0	0
Charge for the year	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
NBV 31/05/23	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
NBV 31/05/22	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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4) Creditors – Amounts falling due within one year

	2023
	£
Accruals & trade creditors	1800

5) Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds to be applied for specific purposes. The details of the funds are set out below:-

Movement in Resources

	Balance at 01/06/22	Incoming	Outgoing	Balance at 31/05/23
	£	£	£	£
Bedford Borough Council Community Chest	0	1000	1000	0
Bedford Borough Council African Event	0	1500	1500	0
Bedford Borough Council - Covid	7276	9135	14024	2387
The Harpur Trust	0	800	800	0
Screwfix	4650	0	0	4650
The Panacea Charitable	3748	0	3748	0
Compass CIC	41190	0	25959	15231
SEMLEP	3281	0	3281	0
Solance and Labyrinth Women's AID	1963	1478	3441	0
Bedford Borough Council ESOL	0	33990	33990	0
South East NHS	0	7636	3205	4431
NHS BLMK	0	2950	1441	1509
St John's Hospital	0	2000	0	2000
TOTAL	62108	60489	92389	30208

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ACCM (UK)

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 May 2023, which are set out on pages 1 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are real so 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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an Independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7) (b) of the 1993 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 view 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 therefore 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 Accounting and Reporting by Charities -Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005) 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.

Jude Egemole

Dated: 18/08/2023

Egemole & Co Accountants

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