



***“For Tomorrows Young  
People, Today”***



# Annual Report

## 2022/23

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## Chairs Foreword

This year has been extra special for us at Ocean Youth Connexions as we celebrated 20 years since the inception of the organisation. Starting off as a small grassroots organisation on the Ocean Estate, the organisation has now grown into a key service provider in Tower Hamlets, delivering activities across various locations.

Over the past 20 years we have seen the organisations income increase by over 500% to a record £231,000 in 2022/23, our employees have increased by 40% and our service users by 500%. This is testament to the hard work of all those that have been involved with the organisation since it was established. The impact of the organisation is evident in that most of the current management committee were young people using the organisations services when it was first set-up – if we ever wanted to see empowerment in action, this is it!

With the 20-year milestone, the management committee felt it was timely to take an in-depth review of what we do and how we deliver our services to ensure continuous improvement and sustainability. With ever changing legislation and an unpredictable landscape, staff and management committee members embarked on a long weekend away which consisted of various workshops. The outcome from this was a revised business plan and shift to not only support young people but to explore being an organisation that supports families. This has led to us setting up sessions where young people and their parents can meaningfully interact with each other within a safe environment and undertake collective activities – the emphasis here being that to support a young person we can't look at them in silo, but consideration is required in terms of their environment and the family. We have also spent some time refreshing the role and expectations of management committee members and updating the organisations key strategic priorities to ensure they are consistent with local needs.

As well as exploring new projects, the organisation continues to successfully deliver its core existing activities across the borough – ranging from club sessions, study support, careers service, holiday clubs, taekwondo sessions and outreach. Further information, including the impact of these services, are detailed within this annual report.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the OYC family (the management committee and staff) for their continuous dedication to the organisation and passion in wanting to better the local community. A massive thank you also to all of our supporters and funders, without your support we wouldn't be able to deliver the much-needed services to young people and families across the borough. Here's to another 20 years of supporting tomorrow's young people, today!

**Mohammed Abdul-Ahad**  
**Chairperson**

## **Board of directors 2022/23**

Chairperson:	Mohammed Abdul Ahad
Vice Chairperson:	Sirajul Islam
Secretary:	Imran Khan
Treasurer:	Mohammed Adnan Miah
Trustee:	Imdadur Rahman
Trustee:	Mohamed Musa
Trustee:	Shahin Noor Ullah
Trustee:	Abdul Mu'min Yahya
Members:	Anwar Hussin
Members:	Mohammed Abdul Gofur

## **Honorary Supporters of OYC**

- Brenda Daley and Derek England - Chairperson and Secretary, Ocean Estates Tenants Leaseholders Association
- Grand Master Bae 7<sup>th</sup> Dan – Team DJB Taekwondo
- Bablu Miah – Head and Founder, Trapped In Zone One
- Junel Uddin – Vallance Community Sports Association
- Mukthar Ahmed - Chairperson, Stepney Foundation FC
- Yusuf Miah – Cycle lead Globe Town Cycling Club
- Akbar Hussain – Community campaigner

# Ocean Youth Connexions

## Reporting period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023

### Staff team

Mohammed Kamal Ahmed:	Head of Programmes
Syed Kadir Ali	Youth Worker In-charge/Administrator
Hobibur Rahman	Youth Worker In-charge
Nicos Antonio Shuttler	Youth Support Worker
Shah Abdul Ahad	Youth Support Worker
Fatima Begum	Youth Support Worker
Meryem Day	Youth Support Worker
Zurain Hussein	Youth Support Worker
Mozahid Hoque	Youth Support Worker
Farhan Ahmed	Youth Support Worker
Kamrul Islam	Youth Support Worker
Syeda Farjana Ali	Holiday Youth Support Worker
Rajmina Begum	Holiday Youth Support Worker
Ruma Zaman	Holiday Youth Support Worker
Nazuma Bibi	Holiday Youth Support Worker
Tahida Ali	Holiday Youth Support Worker
Shujahat Fiaz	Taekwondo 5 <sup>th</sup> Dan Master
Jun Jian Zheng (Stephen)	Taekwondo 4 <sup>th</sup> Dan Master
Hamza Ahmed	Taekwondo 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dan Instructor
Haengeun Chi	Taekwondo 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dan Instructor
Mahir Shawon	Taekwondo 2nd Dan Instructor Volunteer
Xhesiola Frroku	Taekwondo 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dan Instructor
Elisha Chung	Taekwondo 1st Dan Instructor
Aisha Noor	Taekwondo 1st Dan Instructor
Juhel Hussain	Sports Coach
Samirul Muhit	Sports Coach
Numan Ahmed	Maths Tutor
Aneeka Davis	Science Tutor

### Number of registered young people 2022/23: 501

#### Gender

<b>TLA:</b>	Male:95	Females:84	Total:179
<b>TKD:</b>	Male:90	Females:66	Total:156
<b>SYFC:</b>	Male:41	Females:0	Total:41
<b>S2S:</b>	Male:23	Females:0	Total:23
<b>Caxton:</b>	Male:49	Females:26	Total:75
<b>Tuition:</b>	Male:12	Females:15	Total:27
<b>Total:</b>	<b>Male:305</b>	<b>Females:186</b>	<b>Total:501</b>

### Ethnicity Breakdown

<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Caxton</b>	<b>S2S</b>	<b>SYFC</b>	<b>TKD</b>	<b>TLA</b>	<b>Tuition</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>African</b>	2	1	8	5	4	2	<b>22</b>
<b>Afghan</b>	-	-	-	5	-	-	<b>5</b>
<b>Arab</b>	-	-	2	5	-	-	<b>7</b>
<b>Bangladeshi</b>	22	21	27	136	171	25	<b>402</b>
<b>Caribbean</b>	-	-	-	-	2	-	<b>2</b>
<b>European</b>	6	-	1	-	2	-	<b>9</b>
<b>Latino</b>	-	-	-	2	-	-	<b>2</b>
<b>Mixed Asian</b>	-	-	-	2	-	-	<b>2</b>
<b>Mixed Other</b>	9	1	2	-	-	-	<b>12</b>
<b>White</b>	36	-	-	-	-	-	<b>36</b>
<b>White Other</b>	-	-	1	-	-	-	<b>1</b>
<b>Vietnamese</b>	-	-	-	1	-	-	<b>1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>501</b>

### Age Breakdown

<b>Project</b>	<b>Ages 5-7</b>	<b>Ages 8-12</b>	<b>Ages 13-19</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>SEND</b>
<b>TLA</b>	78	75	26	<b>179</b>	10
<b>TKD</b>	46	77	33	<b>156</b>	1
<b>SYFC</b>	-	-	41	<b>41</b>	1
<b>S2S</b>	-	-	23	<b>23</b>	1
<b>Caxton</b>	-	33	42	<b>75</b>	4
<b>Tuition</b>	-	9	18	<b>27</b>	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>16</b>

### Programme and activities delivered during 2022/23

- Four weekly Youth Club Sessions at Ocean TLA
- Study Support at Ocean TLA
- Careers Service
- October, February and May Half term Holiday SPLASH programmes
- December, Easter and Summer, Holiday Activity Food programmes
- Mothers 'N' Young'uns project
- Globe Town Outreach
- Four weekly Youth Club sessions at Caxton Hall
- Outreach & Detached work in Bow
- Summer holiday & Community Fun Day at Caxton Hall
- Six Taekwondo sessions: Three at Mulberry Leisure Centre and three at Tarling East Centre
- Football with Stepney Youth FC
- Dr Bike

# **Ocean Estates Tenants Association (OETA)**

## **Youth Club Sessions**

A year on from the covid pandemic we saw young people trying to get back to some form of normality. We held consultation sessions to empower young people to hear their voices and design a new type of delivery in youth work. Young people engaged in cookery sessions, helped staff make a variety of dishes from pasta, to curries to fried food, young people engaged in fitness, exercise and training sessions and they went on trips.

Young people completed courses on Child Criminal Exploitation and County Lines to help upskill their CVs. A new careers project was created where a local volunteer careers advisor helped young people with applying for work.

Young people took interest in social/ board games such as carrom board competition and engaged with the local Police.

On average 12 young people attend our youth provisions and 61 young people registered during this period. This year we had 35 males to 26 females registered during this period and this showed that girls were starting to show interest in taking part.



Anjuma Ali was awarded for going above and beyond at the club and was awarded with a recognition at the Tower Hamlets Youth Achievement Awards 2022. She was voted by staff as well as her peers who acknowledged her work and commitment to the youth club. Anjuma led the youth panel and attended regularly the safer neighbourhood meetings speaking on behalf of others.



Jack Petchey Foundation funded us to take the young people to a Thropes Park trip, for most of the young people it was their first experience going to a theme park and getting on a minibus. The young people really enjoyed themselves and had a great laugh. Ismael Ahmed was nominated for an outstanding achiever.

Our half term project has seen new young people accessing our provisions and services but we need to find out why young people are not using youth clubs more than they used to during their social and leisure time.

## **Study Support Sessions**

### **Ocean Estates Tenants Association (OETA)**

Funding was secured from Ocean Regeneration Trust which enabled us to deliver a weekly study support session for 27 students with an average attendance of 16 in both Maths and Science classes.

Our young people focused on getting the best results they could for their mocks in December and their final exams. Our young people excelled in their predicted grades and improved their Score levels.

The 2023 exam results showed that those year 11 students that attended our provisions achieved one or more above their predicted grade and they and their parents were grateful for the support we offered them, we wish them the best in their future.

## **Careers Service**

A monthly Careers services was started in September 23, we saw 10 young people access this service in its first month. The volunteer advisor directed 4 young people to apply for work in the retail industry, one to look into playwork, one went onto becoming a psychology ambassador, whilst the rest were told to update their CV and attend the following month for interview workshops.



This careers service will be established as one of our initiative and we hope that young people will access this service on a regular basis to support their career pathway to work and professional development.

## **Half-term Holiday programmes**

### **October 22, February 23 & May 23**

Funded by the Ocean Regeneration Trust we relaunched our one-week October half term programme where young people participated in arts & crafts, fuseball tournament, garden space team games, board games such as uno, connect 4 and baking sessions. We had an average of 37 young people attending our holiday programme and we managed to enrol 97 young people throughout the holiday scheme. Our young people also engaged in slime making, mechanical construction activities and role plays.



During February Half term programme we saw our attendance levels picking up where we had an average of 41 young people attending our sessions. We held more outdoor adventure activities and ventured around canal routes, Mile End Park and Bethnal Green Gardens. We managed to enrol 60 young people to this holiday scheme.



During May 2023, our average daily attendance reached 46. As the weather started to pick up, we ventured out to wider areas away from the centre to Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, Greenwich and walks along the canal paths.

# December 22, April 23 & Summer 23

## Holiday Activity Food Programme

HAF Funding for the major half term holidays helps out family being effected by the cost of living and our HAF programme has helped them in many ways. Our December two-week holiday programme saw young people visit the local Stepney City Farm and making a trip to Canary Wharf. Despite living in close proximity to the local areas of interest, we discovered that our young people do not go and make these visits. Visiting Canary Wharf was about learning about the history of the trading docks and what the area is currently is known for and to inspire young people to work in this financial district. On average 37 young people attended and we managed to enrol 68 young people during this holiday scheme.



The Easter holiday programme was designed to venture out more and we visited Greenwich, travelling on the bus, through the foot tunnel, under the Thames River, explored Cutty Sark ship, visited the exhibitions and the National Maritime Museum. We made a visit to Stepney City Farm to pet the animals which was a great experience. Young people got their hands dirty and did some planting around the farm.

Eid-ul-Fitr fell on during the Easter holiday programme so the young people engaged in making Eid decorations for the club. The Easter programme was delivered during Ramadhan and we thought that numbers would drop significantly but we got an average of 39 children attending daily.



Our five-week Summer holiday programme saw young people have a great time and we were fortunate having good weather and this allowed us to visit parks, venture out more and have trips arranged. We organised a football tournament, competitive boards games, role plays, watching movies, garden activities with a trip to Kew

Gardens and cinema. Our popular family seaside trip was attended by over 50 people making this a regular annual voyage in the holiday.

We had an average of 34 young people attending and we managed to register 137 onto the HAF programme. On our last day we concluded the summer programme with a splash funday, a BBQ and Bouncy castle.



## **Mothers N Young'uns**

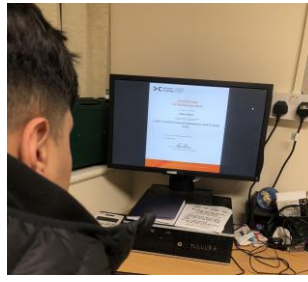
Our work with parents led to mothers asking for us to deliver a session for them one day a week, where they can come, watched their children and support the staff and the project. Over time we went about setting up a Chit chat chai session because during the winter we tend not to have a large group of people accessing the services. As funding for the youth club on Wednesdays and Thursdays was not secured we decided to set up a Mothers and Young'uns Club catering for children aged 0-8 years.

This project drew in attention from the local Family Hub service who looked into investing in our programme. Having this connection allowed us to refer mothers to access services such as mental health, digital awareness, soft play sessions, basic essentials for those suffering from the cost of living and having access to a community kitchen and laundry service.

## **Outreach and Detached in the Globe Town area**

Our outreach work in the Globe Town area worked with its third cohort of young people. The Globe Town area is known for its ASB, organised illegal crimes such as drug, youth on youth violence and gangs. We engaged young people mostly hanging around street corners and residential areas into positive activities.





We registered 23 young people including young people at high risk. We provided them with our support, youth information and made referrals to access support services and other youth provisions. Nine of them achieved certificates in Level 2 in Customer Service, Child sexual exploitation and county line we organised awareness workshops on county lines with the MET Police.

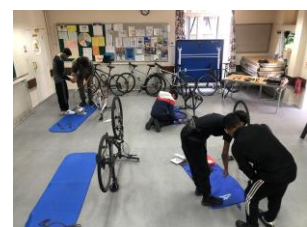


The outreach team and the young people went on many enrichment activities such as: go-karting, social meals to celebrate milestones and achievements, a residential to get them out their comfort zone and explore new areas to develop new skills, and much more

We received additional funding for young people to play football at the weekends to keep them engaged more in positive activities and deter them away from negative risky behaviour. 14 young people registered for these sessions and played for a period of six months



We are still delivering Dr Bike Sessions within our own Youth Centres on the Ocean Estates teaching young people how to repair bikes and making them roadworthy. We were fortunate to receive Eleven free bikes from the MET police and this enabled us to do workshops and cycle rides session with the young people. We are thankful for Lofty's bike mechanic who explained to young people how to remedy minor and major faults.



Those young people that took part in the bike project were taught how to register their bike online. The project helped them to maintain a bike and making it a mode of transport for them to get to work, college and to use for social purposes.



We will continue to deliver free bike maintenance sessions as part of our commitment to get as many people cycling as possible especially during the holiday and summer periods. We have been exploring cycling routes in and around Tower Hamlets especially the park areas.

## **Bow East Project (Caxton Hall)**

Action For Bow, Tower Hamlets Homes and the National Lottery Funded the Caxton Hall youth centre which helped keep the centre open for four days a week and enabled us to do outreach on the estates.

We lost a lot of our older cohort from the previous year and most of our older teens were no longer attending the sessions. We decided to lower the age limit to 8 years old and this saw a rise in younger kids attending the youth centre.

We have seen many young people not come as a result of turning to petty crimes, bike and mobile theft, being part of organised crime gangs and falling into the criminal justice system. Through our data analysis the young people are ending up in pupil referral units, care homes and having social workers attached to them.

In order for us to attract new young people to our provisions during the winter period we set up a hot snack and drinks station as well as to help many of the young people that we work with to support their hunger. As a result, young people started to come in to the club because of this food initiative. We discovered the reality that these young people were hungry, they were skipping meals during the half term holidays, having double lunches during school days and having little options in the evening meal being prepared at home.

We have two days designated for detached and outreach work to attract young people to our centres and activities we used this project to deliver work in the local MUGA pitches and spoke to young people in areas they congregate.

We organised a residential trip to North Devon for most it was the first time they came out and away from the area in which they grew up in. It was a great experience for them and something to be remembered.

Through our work in the Bow West area, we achieved the following:

**75 young people registered**

**34 outcomes were achieved**

**32 people were given advice, information and guidance**

**26 referrals were made**

**12 young people achieved an accredited certificate**

**12 young people went on a residential trip to North Devon**

## **Outreach and Detached in the Bow area**

We were commissioned to deliver outreach work in the Tower Hamlets Homes Estate areas in Bow. We worked closely with the Tower Hamlets Park Guards and the Tower Hamlets Homes ASB Team to respond to young people hanging out in stairwells on the top floors of blocks and making noise, engaging in drugs usage and causing inconvenience to residents. Through our work we noticed that mainly under 11's were out on the streets, playing football in the pitches, socialising and engaging with us.

Through our outreach work we achieved the following:

**70 young people were engaged**

**26 referrals made to access support services and youth provisions**

**20 outcomes achieved in training, online courses and workshops**

## **Summer @ Caxton**

A five-week intensive summer programme was delivered attracting over 41 young people who benefitted and engaged themselves in activities, trips and outdoor adventure. We offered advice and information to 12 young people and 12 young people achieved an outcome.

We organised an inter-club football match with Ocean TLA and our club Caxton FC won. We took 20 young people to our annual theme park trip to Chessington Adventure and this was a great highlight of the year for young people to enjoy and celebrate the participation with the club.

At the end of the summer programme, a community fun day was organised to provide a wonderful experience in order to promote our organisational activities. We attracted 300+ people throughout the day, offering food at below cost price. Our

event offered our famous burger meal, slush & candy, mojitos, tea and cake, horse and cart rides, bouncy castles, face painting, mendhi art, arts and craft stations and stalls selling savoury snacks, biryanis and Bombay mix.

## Taekwondo

This is our sixth year in delivering six Taekwondo classes, we have been fortunate in securing funding from ANT-Fonden, London Marathon Community Trust, London Youth-Getting Active Movement fund and Tesco's.

Below show the annual registration, average attendance throughout the year with a gender split of our those registered.

Session	Registered	Average attendance
Little Dragons	24	11
Juniors Dragons	67	44
Teens Tigers	23	18
Seniors Dragons	14	10
Females Tigress	28	16
Total Registered	156	-
Gender	Male: 90	Female: 66

This year shows that females do have an interest in learning the Taekwondo art and our total recruitment of females is 42%. We also noticed that retention of female students is higher than that of males.

The Taekwondo sessions is having a great impact on those that attend, and we can see it in their behaviour, their attitude, their display of humility and courtesy to their teachers and towards each other during the sessions. Many have learnt some basic South Korean terminology of the various patterns.

### Our annual taekwondo belts stats for 2022/23:

Yellow tag 39

Yellow 23

Blue Tag 6

Blue 13

Black Tag 1

Black 2



Green Tag 13

Green 28

Reg Tag 5

Red 7



Total belts issued 136

Taekwondo has helped these young people to work together as a team, improve their communication skills and significantly built their confidence levels. Young people are becoming more creative, active and learning fast the different patterns and styles being taught. The sessions have improved young people's ability to solve problems, improve their resilience, they are able to deal with conflicts and difficult situations and we have seen a vast improvement in their self motivation and an increase in the levels of self esteem they display.



## **Stronger Futures Programme VRU**

This project was a success in its first year and as a result VRU secured an additional 9 month funding to continue working hard with those at risk in carrying knives, using knives, being in gangs, being groomed into gangs, holding illegal money, drugs, etc.

Funding was received to deliver three Taekwondo sessions and two youth club sessions at Ocean TLA. As a result of this project, we worked with 80 young people in the project of which 42 were females and 38 were male's a great gender split achieved.

VRU allowed us to take the young people to local trips and a residential to Devon. The funding allowed us to restart our delivery programme in reaching those hard-to-reach young people, those who stopped using the youth centres, started hanging about on the street, stairwells and getting up to negative and risky behaviour.

We also fulfilled local parents needs to organise Taekwondo sessions for their children especially the girls. Tower Hamlets latest report on obesity is showing an all time high amongst 12-year-olds and getting worse onto their teens and this concern has led us to deliver this.



# Stepney Youth FC Partnership

In October 2022 we came across Stepney Youth FC that were struggling in running their football sessions for local young people. The management team mostly consisting of our young people that used to come to the youth club in 2010. They approached us for help and support and wanted us to do joint work to set up this project and take it further.

We secured initial funding from the Youth Justice Board which allowed them to run two sessions a week and take young people on trips, social activities and celebrate the success of the project till the end of March 2023.

We then secured further funding for one session a week till the end of August 2023. Our funding application to the local council confirmed three years of the Young Ballers project making this project so what secure for the long run.

## Jack Petchey

We are currently on the Bronze Scheme and we nominated the following individuals with their spend.

### Leader Award

Syed Kadir Ali: Cinema, Bowling, Thorpe Park and laser quest

### Young Achievement Award

Shafin Shahriyar: Taekwondo equipment

Ishaq Ahmed: Golf Stanstead

Ismael Ahmed: Thorpe Park

### Special Grant:

Social meal and a seaside trip

### Environmental Grant:

Anjuma Ali: Kew Gardens and planting flowers



# Financial Information 2022 – 2023

## Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd Company limited by guarantee Detailed trading profit and loss account for the year ended 30 September 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Income</b>		
Awards For All -AFA	-	10,000
Jack Petchey	2,300	900
Vallance Community Sports Association - VCSA	0	80
LBTH - HAF	27,245	34,660
BBC Children in Need - BBC	0	250
Tower Hamlets Homes -THH	12,883	5,149
East London Community Foundation – MJF	0	500
East London Community Foundation – MLF	4,000	6,000
Ocean TLA – OTLA	436	1,610
Ford Britain Trust – FBT	0	2,800
Tesco Groundwork – TG	1,000	1,000
TKD Contributions	20,500	5,550
Ocean Regeneration Trust	10,000	10,000
Violence Reduction Unit - VRU	43,997	64,570
Action For Bow	30,431	35,988
Garfield Weston Foundation – GW	20,000	20,000
Street Games - SG	0	315
London Youth - LY	5,680	9,600
East London Business Alliance - ELBA	0	11,267
Government Furlough Scheme	0	459
Youth Justice Board - YJB	20,000	0
Million Hours – MH	10,000	0
Ant Fonden Trust – ANT	14,980	0
London Marathon Community Trust – LMCT	7,500	0
	<u>231,636</u>	<u>220,698</u>
<b>Administrative expenses</b>	<u>(227,367)</u>	<u>(203,639)</u>
<b>Operating surplus/(loss)</b>	<u>4,269</u>	<u>17,059</u>

## Acknowledgments

- Action for Bow for funding two youth club provisions and a summer programme
- Ant Foden for supporting our Teens, Seniors and Girls Taekwondo sessions
- DCMS – Million Hours funding supporting the Stepney Youth FC partnership football summer programme
- Garfield Weston Foundation for funding two youth club sessions at Ocean TLA
- Jack Petchey Foundation for funding trips, minibuses and equipment
- LBTH Holiday Activity Food programme enabling us to provide hot meals during the half term of December 22, Easter 23 and Summer 23
- London Marathon Community Trust for supporting our Junior and Little dragons Taekwondo Project
- London Youth for funding the steps to success and the Stepney Youth FC partnership football project
- Ocean Regeneration Trust for funding the Study Support sessions and three half term activity programmes in October 22, February 23 and May 23
- Streetgames and DCMS Youth Justice Board funding the Stepney Youth FC partnership for weekend football sessions
- Stronger Futures Project, (VRU) for funding the teens, senior and girls' taekwondo project plus the Ocean TLA youth club
- Tesco for supporting our Female Tigress and the Little Dragons Taekwondo Project.
- Tower Hamlets Homes for funding the Bow Outreach work
- Most importantly we would like to thank the residents, parents and young people of the Ocean Estates and Malmesbury Estate Community who have supported us to ensure we deliver positive activities and have made the projects a success
- The Youth Justice Sport Fund for setting up our football project
- Ocean Tenant Leaseholders Association and Malmesbury Community Projects for allowing us to use their venue to deliver all of our activities

# THANK YOU



## Ant-Fonden



**Malmesbury**  
**Community**  
**Projects**

## MAYOR OF LONDON



**Garfield Weston**  
FOUNDATION



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR  
ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

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**Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**  
**Directors' Report and Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

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**Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**  
**Company Information**  
**For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

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**Directors**

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Mr Imdadur Rahman  
Mr Shahin Ullah  
Mr Imran Khan  
Mr Sirajul Islam  
Mr Mohammed Miah  
Mr Mohamed Musa

**Charity Registration Number**

1129378

**Company Number**

04543565

**Registered Office**

Stepney City Farm  
Stepney Way  
Stepney Green  
London  
E1 3DG

**Accountants**

The Stuart Maurice Partnership  
Radiant House  
28-30 Fowler Road  
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IG6 3UT

**Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**  
**Company No. 04543565**  
**Trustees/Directors' Report For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

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The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023.

**Statement of Directors' Responsibilities**

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss for that period. In preparing the financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Principal Activity**

The company is a voluntary charitable organisation, providing detached work service for young people living on the Ocean Estate. The Memorandum & Articles of Association were amended by special resolution on 24th March 2009. The company was then registered as a charity.

**Trustees/Directors**

The trustees/directors who held office during the year were as follows:

Mr Mohammed Ahad  
Mr Imdadur Rahman  
Mr Shahin Ullah  
Mr Imran Khan  
Mr Sirajul Islam  
Mr Mohammed Miah

**Small Company Rules**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

By order of the board

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**Mr Mohammed Ahad**

**Date: 27/11/2023**



**Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**  
**For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

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**Report of the Accountant to the directors of Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with our terms of engagement and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Acts that relate to preparing the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 2023.

We have prepared these financial statements based on the accounting records, information and explanations provided by you. We do not express any opinion on the financial statements.

On the Balance Sheet you have acknowledged your duties under the prevailing Companies Acts to ensure that the company keeps adequate accounting records and prepares financial statements that give "a true and fair view". You have determined that the company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for this accounting year. Therefore, the financial statements are unaudited.

The financial statements are provided exclusively to the director for the limited purpose mentioned above and may not be used or relied upon for any other purpose or by any other person, and we shall not be liable for any other usage or reliance.

**The Stuart Maurice Partnership**

**18/11/2023**

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Radiant House  
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Ilford Essex  
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**Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**  
**For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

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**Independent Examiner's Report**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2023 which are set out in this report.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees of Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act') . In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

S. Nyman F.M.A.A.T.



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Date: 18/11/2023

**Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**  
**Profit and Loss Account**  
**For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
<b>INCOME</b>		<b>231,636</b>	<b>220,698</b>
		<b>231,636</b>	<b>220,698</b>
Administrative expenses		(227,367)	(203,639)
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>4,269</b>	<b>17,059</b>

The notes on page 7 form part of these financial statements.

**Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As at 30 September 2023**

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		237,717		238,047	
		<u>237,717</u>		<u>238,047</u>	
<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year</b>	<b>3</b>	<u>(9,641)</u>		<u>(4,599)</u>	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)</b>		<u>228,076</u>		<u>233,448</u>	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>228,076</u>		<u>233,448</u>	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>228,076</u>		<u>233,448</u>	
Restricted Funds		228,076		233,448	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>228,076</u>		<u>233,448</u>	

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

**Directors' responsibilities:**

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

On behalf of the board



**Mr Mohammed Ahad**

**Date: 27/11/2023**

The notes on page 6 form part of these financial statements.

**Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd**  
**Notes to the Unaudited Accounts**  
**For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

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**1. Accounting Policies**

**1.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

**1.2. Income**

Income represents the amount received in the form of grants and donations.

**2. Average Number of Employees**

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was as follows:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Office and administration	13	13
	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>

**3. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Accruals and deferred income	9,641	4,599
	<u><b>9,641</b></u>	<u><b>4,599</b></u>

**4. General Information**

Ocean Youth Connexions Ltd is a private company, limited by guarantee without share capital, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 04543565. The registered office is Stepney City Farm, Stepney Way, Stepney Green, London, E1 3DG.

