



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

1st April 2023

To

Period end date

31st March 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Association of Jamaican Nationals (Birmingham) UK

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1130750

Charity's principal address

178 Dudley Road

Birmingham

Postcode

B18 7QX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Beverly Lindsay OBE, OD,DL	Chair/Director		
2	Carlton Ellis JP	Treasurer/Director		
3	Cynthia Spence	Company Secretary		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Memorandum and Articles
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Company Limited by Guarantee
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Association of Jamaican Nationals (AJN) is a community organisation and has such network across communities and other organisations to deliver its Aims and Objectives.

The structure consists of:
Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, treasurer and 6 other committee members (all unrelated)

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote the benefit of people from Jamaica and of Jamaican ancestry in the West Midlands and Jamaican Nationals in Jamaica by:

- (a) the advancement of education and training
- (b) the relief of poverty, sickness and distress
- (c) the promotion of good health; and

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

<p>(d) the provision of recreational facilities in the interest of social welfare with the object of improving their conditions of life To advance in life and relieve needs of young people through:</p> <p>(a) The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions in life</p> <p>(b) Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities, and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.</p>	
	<p>The main activities undertaken for the public benefit include holding meetings to share information of relevance to those of Jamaican origin on issues that affect them, such as immigration issues, particular health issues or issues with regard, to poverty in Jamaica. Holding public meetings and inviting official guests from the Jamaican Government and the Jamaican High Commission as well as Civic Dignitaries, Local Politicians, and other Professionals to address the audience.</p> <p>Fundraising activities to raise funds in support of our nominated charities in Jamaica and other local charities in the UK, where we share the organisations objectives, host inter-generational cultural events, which also serve to entertain and educate our young people on all aspects of Jamaican culture and heritage.</p> <p>We provide support for bereaved families of Jamaican origin and at times assisting with funeral expenses.</p> <p>We liaise with other agencies particularly local government to arrange events that are of relevance and benefit to those of Jamaican origin as well as to members of the wider community.</p> <p>The trustees have had regard to the guidance issues by the Charity Commission on public benefit.</p>

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We have a wide range of dedicated volunteers who help us to deliver our services especially at large events, our Annual General meeting (AGM) Annual Gala event of Local Heroes and Be Inspired Youth Awards, annual Independence Thanksgiving Service, and other community meetings.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Nominations/Awards

Links with the Jamaican High Commission

We facilitated links between the Jamaican government and the Jamaican community in Birmingham, evidenced by attendance of the Jamaican High Commissioner at events hosted by the Association such as, service of Praise and Thanksgiving for Jamaica's Independence service August 2023 and in October 2023 celebrating Local Heroes and the Be Inspired Youth awards.

The management board, friends and volunteers have worked hard to deliver the organisation's aims, objectives, and delivery plans.

Jamaica's Independence/ Flag Raising

AJN continues to organise a Flag Raising ceremony in celebration of Jamaica's Independence Day.

Our Local Hero's and The Be Inspired Youth Awards held yearly celebrating National Heritage Week (Jamaica) and Black History Month Held in the presence of local Civic dignitaries such as the Lord-Lieutenant of the West Midlands, The Lord Mayor of Birmingham, Andy Street CBE, Mayor of the West Midlands Combined Authority.

Over the years we have been addressing the issue of mental health within our community.

We have seen an increase in mental health challenges, so we have continued to collaborated with Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health Foundation Trust, Birmingham City University, local Churches and other service providers to host Mental Health conferences. June 2023, we celebrated the 75th anniversary of the Windrush generation and their descendants.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity continues to maintain a small reserve account but hope that this will gradually increase our reserve to be able to contribute towards a building in the future.

Details of any funds materially in deficit**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F**Other optional information****Section G****Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**Signature(s)***B Lindsay**C Ellis***Full name(s)**

Beverly Lindsay

Carlton Ellis

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Treasurer

Date

9 January 2025

THE ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICAN NATIONALS
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Membership Fees	120	90
Church Service	2442	2125
Jamaica 60th grant	NIL 10000	NIL
Event Sponsors	7500	14450
Gala & Heroes Awards	19890	15691
Other Donations	NIL	NIL
Bank Interest	<u>135</u>	<u>127</u>
TOTAL INCOME (RECEIPTS)	40087	32483
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Postage & Printing	3718	1670
church service	1050	4127
Accountancy Fees	275	275
Zoom	NIL	NIL
Travel	470	NIL
ICO	NIL	NIL
Gala/Heroes Award	28650	26772
Benevolent Gifts	2510	98
Insurance	248	248
computer equip	190	300
Sundry Expenses	<u>1146</u>	<u>503</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>38257</u>	<u>33993</u>
Excess of Income Over Expenditure	<u>1830</u>	<u>-1510</u>

invoices

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THE ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICAN NATIONAL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025

	<u>2025</u>		<u>2024</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Reserve Account	9718		9583
Current Account	<u>26842</u>		<u>25147</u>
	<u>36560</u>		<u>34730</u>
<u>LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			
Accrual Expense (Accounts)	<u>252</u>		<u>252</u>
	<u>252</u>		<u>252</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		<u>36308</u>	<u>34478</u>
<u>REPRESENTED BY: ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>			
Funds B/fwd	34478		35988
Receipts Over Expenditure	<u>1830</u>		<u>-1510</u>
Accumulated Funds C/fwd		<u>36308</u>	<u>34478</u>

APPROVED BY.....

Mr C. G. Ellis

18th December 2025

Honorary Treasurer