



Annual Accounts

31 March 2024

Charity Number: 1134405

**TRUSTEES**

Fatima Sanneh  
Caite Ni Ceileachair  
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Christian Sinclair  
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**COMPANY NUMBER**

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**CHARITY NUMBER**

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**BANKERS**

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## **TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2024**

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 9-11 and comply with the charity's trust deed and applicable law.

### **TRUSTEES**

The trustee's names on page 2 have served throughout the year. Appointment of trustees is governed by the Trust Deed of the charity. The Board of Trustees is authorised to appoint new trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of an existing trustee.

### **AIMS AND OBJECTS**

Disability Croydon exists to:

- Eliminate barriers and empower individuals with disabilities to take part fully in society within the social model of disability;
- Promote the realities of self-representation and independence for people with disabilities;
- Advise organisations on effective consultation methods and active involvement of people with disabilities in services and decision-making processes which affect their lives;
- Increase awareness of disability issues among non-disabled people and organisations.

In setting objectives, developing strategies and undertaking activities, the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commissions general guidance on public benefit.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

Building and strengthening our new Community Hub 'OURSPACE' has been a key feature of our work over the past year.

OURSPACE is open to all who need help or human connection. Our foundation is our community café; food, and someone to talk to. It also serves as an accessible and low duress gateway to the broader and deeper services we offer and host which include direct support on:

- Mental health, disability, health inequality and access and debt management
- Practical support on employment and help with accessing housing
- Digital empowerment and training classes with internet and computer access
- Information, advice and advocacy service TRUSTEES' REVIEW

- Yoga, tai chi, dance, kickboxing, and peer support groups
- Esol classes for displaced people
- Hosting training days and events
- Outreach food bank

This range of service is delivered by partnership working and offering facilities and hosting to a range of providers

Our work is heavily reliant on a core of dedicated volunteers whose skills and commitment makes such a difference to the community. There has been 10 Volunteers throughout the year.

With financial support from the NHS and the local council and grants from organisations such as the National Lottery, we continue to sustain our operations. This support has also enabled us to successfully continue refurbishing our extensive premises with ongoing backing from the community and the volunteers,

Disability Croydon continues to enhance community awareness and understanding of disability by providing training sessions for London Trams staff on 'Disability Awareness and Equality.

Despite the challenges, we persistently strive to secure funding through collaborations with partner organisations and consistently reevaluate our services to ensure we deliver the best possible support to the disabled community.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 the trustees consider the financial position of the charity to be in line with expectations.

## **RESERVES POLICY**

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil their charitable objectives.

## **RISK REVIEW**

The trustees conduct periodic reviews of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems and procedures to manage those risks identified are implemented so as to minimise any potential impact on the charity should any of those risks materialise.

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES


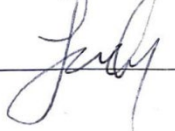
Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- d) Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## APPROVAL

This report was approved by the trustees on 31 December 2024 and signed on their behalf.

  
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**Sedley Wilson – Trustee**

**Fatima Sanneh - Trustee**

### **Independent Examiners Report**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 which are set out on pages 7 to 11.

#### **Responsibility of Examiner**

The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43(3)a of the 1993Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993Act; and
- 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 review of the accounting records kept by the company 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 the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

#### **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 trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - a. proper accounting records are kept; and
  - b. accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records. Or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed ..... Date: ...31/12/2024.....

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	£	£
	Funds	Funds	2024	2023
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Donations	449	0	449	8,139
Grants	87,660	0	87,660	102,739
Investment Income	0	0	0	-
Trading Income	14,000	0	14,000	-
<b>Total Incoming resources £</b>	<b>102,109</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>102,109</b>	<b>110,878</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Cost of raising funds	499	0	499	349
Expenditure on Charitable Activities	5,065	99,913	104,978	109,754
Other expenditure	0	0	0	-
<b>Total resources Expended £</b>	<b>5,564</b>	<b>99,913</b>	<b>105,477</b>	<b>110,103</b>
<b>Net resources Surplus (Deficit) for the year £</b>	<b>96,545</b>	<b>(99,913)</b>	<b>(3,368)</b>	<b>775</b>
Transfer between reserves	0	0	0	0
Total funds brought forward	0	557	557	(218)
<b>Total funds carried forward £</b>	<b>96,545</b>	<b>(99,356)</b>	<b>(2,811)</b>	<b>557</b>

The notes form part of these financial statements.

**Statement of total recognised gains and losses.**

The Charity does not have any gains and losses other than the income and Expenditure for the period to report.


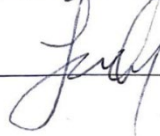
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**BALANCESHEET**

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	1.6		<b>1,631</b>		<b>2,039</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors		-		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		<b>1,656</b>		<b>3,416</b>	
		<b>1,656</b>		<b>3,416</b>	
<b>Creditors: amount falling due</b>					
<b>within one year</b>		<b>(6,098)</b>		<b>(4,898)</b>	
<b>Net current assets or current liabilities £</b>			<b>(4,442)</b>		<b>(1,482)</b>
<b>Total assets less total liabilities £</b>			<b>(2,811)</b>		<b>557</b>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>					
Funds brought forward			<b>557</b>		<b>(218)</b>
Restricted funds			<b>(99,913)</b>		<b>(102,701)</b>
Unrestricted funds			<b>96,545</b>		<b>103,476</b>
<b>Total charity funds £</b>			<b>(2,811)</b>		<b>557</b>

- For the year ending 31 March 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006.
- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies' subject to the small companies regime.

These financial statements were approved and signed by the trustees on the 31<sup>th</sup> December 2024:

  
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Sedley Wilson

Fatima Sanneh

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follow:

### 1.1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) issued in March 2005.

### 1.2 Incoming resources

Donations and similar incoming resources are accounted for on receipt by the charity, any pledges of income also gift aid refunds are accrued in the accounting period that they arise.

### 1.3 Investment income

Investment income consists of interest received from saving and deposit accounts at the bank.

### 1.4 Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT that cannot be recovered.

### 1.5 Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are:

- Restricted - these are funds which can only be used in accordance with the charitable specific purpose;
- Unrestricted (general funds) - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

## 1.6 Depreciation Tangible Assets

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised at cost. Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates on assets in order to write off their cost less any residual value over their estimated useful. The rates of depreciation are as follow:

- Fixtures & Fittings .... 20%
- Motor Vehicle .... 25%
- Computer Equipment .... 20% reducing balance
- Plant and Machinery .... 33.33% reducing balance

	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Cost</b>		
Cost at 1 April	5,433	5,433
Additions		
Total at 31 March	5,433	5,433
<b>Depreciation</b>		
Total charged at 1 April	3,394	2,884
Charge for the year	408	510
On disposals		
At 31 March	3,802	3,394
<b>Net book values</b>		
For the year ended 31 March	1,631	2,039
Total	<b>1,631</b>	<b>2,039</b>

## 1.7 Staff costs and trustees' remuneration

	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Trustees</b>		
Remuneration	0	0
Value of contributions to trustees pension	0	0
<b>Total £</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Employees</b>		
Wages & Salaries	59,548	49,835
Social security costs	0	0
Pensions	0	0
<b>Total £</b>	<b>59,548</b>	<b>49,835</b>

## 1.8 Resources Expended

	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Managing &amp; administering the charity</b>		
Wages & Salaries	59,548	49,835
Accounting Fees	1,200	1,200
Legal & Professional	576	555
Staff Training	9,160	-
Charity Activities	6,380	-
Maintenance	9,060	7,100
Utilities	5,065	7,053
Telephone and fax	1,528	1454
Stationery and printing	-	1300
Bank Charges	499	349
Depreciation	408	510
Insurance	6,049	600
Software	3,605	3642
Interest Payable	-	-
Travel & Subsistence	2200	-
Subscription	199	-
Sundry	-	-
	105,477	73,598
<b>Governance Costs</b>		
Management Fee	-	12,425
<b>Total £</b>	<b>105,477</b>	<b>86,023</b>

## 2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity was under the control of the Trustee throughout the current year. No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as that required disclosure.