

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2021**

### **Our objectives**

SankTus' objectives are the relief of poverty through advice & practical support to vulnerable people in Kentish Town and Camden. We provide meals, showers and clothes, befriending & referrals into statutory and community-based services. We provide activities to improve the health and wellbeing of elders in the local community including bingo, a two course meal and chair based exercise. The majority of the members are from an Irish background but all are welcome,

### **Our organisation**

The charity had the following 6 trustees in the year 2020/2021:

- Margaret Harvey - chair
- Rev John Deehan
- Stuart Garner
- Allison Havey
- Jennifer Rossiter
- René van Velzen - treasurer

Richard Mallon has been leading the activities in his role as Welfare Coordinator. SankTus had the help of approx, 34 volunteers to support all the activities. We depend on volunteers to help us organise our food, shower and clothing services and to take time to engage in conversation with our guests,

### **Our activities and achievements in this period**

#### **The Welfare Project**

The Welfare Project remained open during Covid-19 restrictions but adapted its services. SankTus provided a takeaway meal twice a week and dropped off food to some of our most vulnerable guests who were unable to leave their homes. SankTus also provided a telephone service offering welfare advice and befriending. We also worked in partnership with Caritas (Diocese of Westminster) to target those in financial hardship with food vouchers that could be spent at Sainsbury's. The Welfare Project also handed out non-perishable food when available. We also continued to provide people in food poverty with food vouchers for the local food bank. There was also a limited amount of clothing and toiletries handed out. A total of 164 people used at least one of these services with the majority attending the project at least once a week throughout the year.

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Having surveyed our guests, we have a clearer profile of who our guests are and what their circumstances are. The majority are older men but of working age, living alone in sub-standard housing; they don't work because of poor health, although we are aware through our support work that they feel totally unprepared to find work and fear the impact of recent benefit changes. They do not eat well or have any social life and a number of them have literacy issues.

We see a core of regulars who have attended the project for many years for the social connection they find just as much as the meal they receive.

The overarching differences we make at SankTus are that we ensure our service users take part in and benefit from being better linked in members of mainstream society. For those who are homeless and vulnerably housed, we try to move them on from the entrenched life choices they often make, build their confidence so they can secure work opportunities & stabilise their housing tenure. We want to give them the skills and self-confidence to sustain this level of independence for themselves.

### **Our Pensioners Activities**

In addition to working with the Welfare Project's guests, we run a range of social and recreational activities every Tuesday for local pensioners including a lunch club with a two-course meal, bingo and keep fit in the afternoon. The lunch club part of the day runs with a full capacity of 32 members; we also hold parties for Christmas and St Patrick's Day, and outings to the seaside in the summer.

The club had to close for part of the year due to Covid-19 restrictions. Instead of running our activities that were based in the halls, we put in place a telephone service checking in on our most vulnerable guests in partnership with the local SVP and also continued to provide welfare advice over the phone. We visited the most isolated and vulnerable guests once a week to check in on them and drop off sandwiches and refreshments.

Many of the elderly Irish people we support are widowed or living on their own, isolated by life limiting illness and poor mobility. They came to England with few resources to better their lot. Many of their partners have now passed away. Their late partners were their link to the church, to agencies and the community. This now leaves them isolated with little support. The level of social contact with the welfare and health advice we provide promotes their good physical and mental health.

We have been successful in outreaching to older Irish women because we are linked in with the local parish, but we recognise there is also a significant number of older Irish men that we need to identify and involve in our activities.

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### **Covid-19 impact on our activities and outlook for next year**

From March 2020 the lockdowns had a severe impact on our activities. Because we work with some very vulnerable people, we had to stop the activities and find other ways to support our guests in a safe way.

As already discussed in this report, SankTus remained open but had to adapt services. Instead of a sit-down meal inside we provided a take-away meal twice a week.

We also offered telephone support and visited the most isolated and vulnerable at least once a week checking on their welfare and dropping off food.

Going forward, there are obvious challenges around funding as lots of fundraising events that would have increased income were cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions.

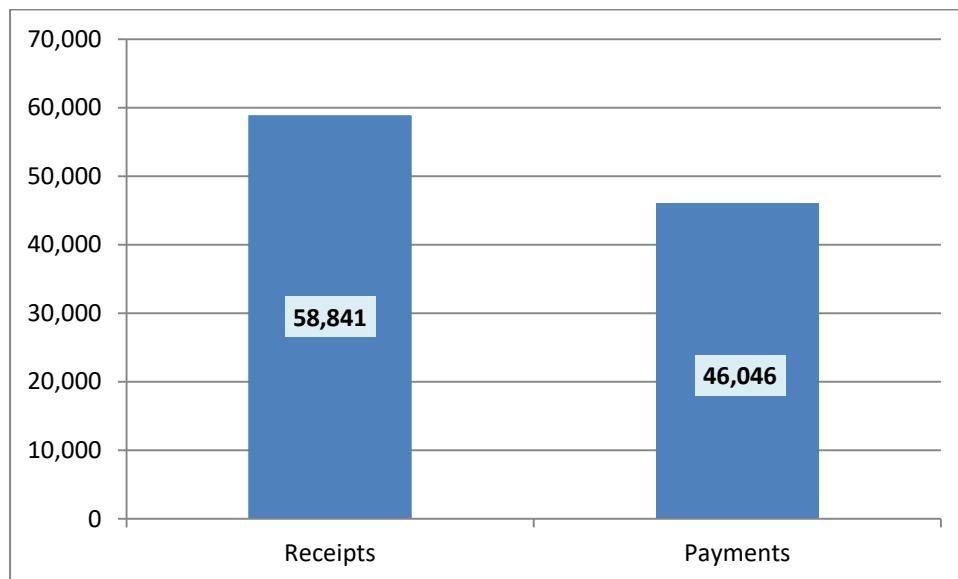
But the biggest challenge going forward, is supporting those guests who have suffered both emotionally and financially during this period. We have already seen an impact on the mental wellbeing of a number of our more elderly and isolated guests with many in trauma. There has been an increase in our project making Social Services referrals

SankTus in partnership with other organisations in the area, will try to meet this challenge but the full impact on the physical, mental and financial wellbeing of our guests is yet to fully materialise.

Covid-19 has also impacted on our volunteers. A number of our older volunteers felt they could not continue in their role due to their own health issues and fear of contracting Covid-19. Of the younger volunteers, a number have had to step down at the last minute when they have tested positive prior to coming to the service. By offering a take-away hot meal on Sundays, and a sandwich take-away on Wednesdays, we have continued to see significant numbers of guests take advantage and have been extremely grateful that we have been one of the few charities who have remained open. Our service has been a life-line to many during this time.

### Our finances

SanKTus has been supported with grants and donations from the Embassy of Ireland, Awards for All, Caritas St John Southworth, Coronavirus Community Support Fund and GiveClarity.



SanKTus aims to have a reserve of approximate 20% of annual receipts. At the end of the financial year, the reserve was £19,957 not including restricted funds, which is above the target.

At the end of the year the carry-over of restricted funds was £12,509 which is required to cover the activities for the next year. The grants from Caritas and Awards for All have been received in February and March and the spending is mainly in the next financial year.

The risk to the ongoing activities, which was caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, is slowly receding but careful financial planning remains important.

## Trustees' Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2021

Charity Number: 1136596  
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### Declarations

The chair of the trustees declares that the trustees have approved the above trustees' report.

Signed on behalf of the chair of the trustees:

Signature *Margaret E Harvey*

Full name **Margaret Harvey**

Date *19/04/2022*



Charity Name SanKtus		No (if any) 1136596		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2020	To	Period end date 30/06/2021	

## Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme	-	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
Awards for All Grant - 2021	-	9,800	-	9,800	9,500
CARITAS St John Southworth	-	-	-	-	9,420
Coronavirus Community Support Fund	-	7,200	-	7,200	500
FP GiveClarity	10,000	-	-	10,000	5,000
Donations	4,686	-	-	4,686	1,217
Bingo & Keep Fit deposited in Safe last year	-	-	-	-	1,151
Transfer Bingo & Keep Fit to CAF Account	1,151	-	-	1,151	-
Burns Night Fundraiser	-	-	-	-	600
HWU General	-	-	-	-	200
CAF Bank	259	-	-	259	154
Coach Hire receipts	-	-	-	-	650
Furlough	745	-	-	745	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>16,841</b>	<b>42,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,841</b>	<b>53,392</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>16,841</b>	<b>42,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,841</b>	<b>53,392</b>

### A3 Payments

<b>Tuesday Club - ESP Funding</b>					
Salary cook	745	1,671	-	2,416	2,398
Food for guests	-	798	-	798	2,323
Materials & equipment	-	88	-	88	148
Keep Fit Tutor - from receipts	-	-	-	-	900
Keep Fit Tutor	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Welfare Project - ESP Funding</b>					
Salary coordinator	-	17,300	-	17,300	17,449
Food for guests & cleaning materials	1,268	2,275	-	3,543	2,280
Operational Costs	-	84	-	84	198
Governance	-	312	-	312	362
Telephony Welfare	-	329	-	329	194
Volunteer Training	-	-	-	-	-
Materials & equipment	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme</b>		22,857			
<b>Awards for All</b>					
Volunteer Coordinator Salary		6,240		6,240	5,720
Volunteer Expenses	-	1,305		1,305	121
Volunteer Training	-	-		-	
<b>Total Awards for all</b>		7,545			
<b>CARITAS St John Southworth</b>					
Salary coordinator	314	6,378	-	6,692	3,042
<b>Total CARITAS St John Southworth</b>		6,378			
<b>Coronavirus Community Support Fund</b>					
Materials & equipment	-	1,381	-	1,381	-
Refuse Collection	-	2,120	-	2,120	456
Cleaning Building	-	-	-	-	2,657
OLHC refund May 2021	-	1,500	-	1,500	2,657
<b>Total Coronavirus Community Support Fund</b>		5,001			
<b>FP clarity</b>					
Bank Account Fees	78	-	-	78	60
<b>Total FP clarity</b>		-			
Coach hire - from receipts	-	-	-	-	650
OLHC refund June 2021	1,590	-	-	1,590	
Web hosting & Telephony Welfare	270	-	-	270	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>4,265</b>	<b>41,781</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,046</b>	<b>41,615</b>


**A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.**

	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>4,265</b>	<b>41,781</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,046</b>	<b>41,615</b>

<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>12,576</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,795</b>	<b>11,777</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
Government of Ireland - Carried forward	-	-	-	-	-
Awards for All Grant - Carried forward	-	8,111	-	8,111	4,452
Caritas Grant - Carried forward	-	6,378	-	6,378	
Unrestricted balance Carried forward	6,333		-	6,333	1,938
Transfer from Safe to CAF account	- 1,151		-	- 1,151	1,938
<b>Cash funds reported last year end</b>	<b>5,182</b>	<b>14,489</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,671</b>	<b>6,390</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>5,182</b>	<b>14,489</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,671</b>	<b>6,390</b>
Rounding differences	-	-	-	-	2
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>17,758</b>	<b>14,708</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,466</b>	<b>18,165</b>



## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	CAF Bank Current Account			
	Unrestricted	19,957	-	
	Embassy of Ireland - carry forward	-	2,143	
	Award for All - carry forward	-	10,366	
	Deposits in safe (office OLHC)	-	-	
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	<b>19,957</b>	<b>12,509</b>	<b>32,466</b>
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<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
Independent examiner	Note: Bruce Burford (re-tired ex-Chartered Accountant) has reviewed and confirmed that he is happy with the accounts.	Bruce Burford 25 Park Drive Chester CH2 3JR		16/03/2022
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Margaret E Harvey	Margaret Harvey	19/04/2022	
		René van Velzen	19/04/2022	

Charity Name <b>SanKtus</b>		No (if any) <b>1136596</b>	
<b>Independent examiner report</b>			
<b>For the period from</b>	Period start date <b>01/07/2020</b>	<b>To</b>	Period end date <b>30/06/2021</b>

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**Date approved:  
16/03/2022**