

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2025**

### **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 exercises. A significant number of our service users have an Irish background, but all are welcome.

### **Our organisation**

The charity had the following 6 trustees in the year 2024/2025:

- Margaret Harvey - chair
- Rev Allan Alvarado
- 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 approximate 45 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 continues to provide essential support to individuals experiencing significant hardship within the local community. Many service users face multiple and complex challenges, including poverty, housing insecurity or homelessness, physical and mental health difficulties, substance misuse, and social isolation.

SanKTus seeks to improve financial stability, reduce the impact of poverty and loneliness, and facilitate access to key community and statutory services.

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The Welfare Project provides a welcoming and supportive environment through a range of weekly activities and essential services.

### **Tuesday Club**

A social gathering for over-55s offering refreshments, bingo, and a nutritious two-course meal in a warm and friendly space.

In the afternoon, members can participate in a chair-based exercise class to promote mobility and well-being. A significant number of members are from an Irish background, many of whom experience social isolation and live alone. The club offers an important opportunity for social engagement, helping to build a sense of community while supporting both physical and mental well-being. There are 25 members who attend bingo and lunch and on average 14 people who attend the chair-based exercise class.

Over time, the Tuesday Club has developed into a caring and close-knit network, ensuring that members who unexpectedly miss a session are checked on. Throughout the day, the Welfare Coordinator is also available to offer advice and support.

### **Wednesday**

On Wednesday afternoon, on average 33 people attend to receive sandwiches and refreshments, engaging in conversation with volunteers and staff while also listening to music. During these sessions, we distribute clothing and toiletries. We are very fortunate to receive winter coats each year from Wrap Up London. This year we received 65 coats, all of which were distributed to service users at both the Wednesday and Sunday services.

### **Sunday**

Sunday remains our busiest day, with an average of 67 individuals dining indoors for a hot meal and takeaway food available. There is the opportunity to take a hot shower, and toiletries are available with on average 8 people showering each Sunday. We are thankful to receive donations of bread and cakes from Gail's bakery (Kentish Town) that are distributed to guests at all the sessions.

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### **Welfare Advice**

Over the course of the year, welfare advice was provided to 83 individuals. Support included assistance with Universal Credit claims, referrals to emergency accommodation, and connecting people with alcohol and drug dependency into treatment services.

Our ongoing partnership with Caritas (Diocese of Westminster) enables us to assist individuals facing financial hardship by providing supermarket food vouchers. Additionally, the Welfare Project distributes non-perishable food whenever supplies are available and continues to support those experiencing food insecurity with foodbank vouchers.

Over the past year, at least 178 individuals have accessed one or more of these vital services.

### **Funding and support**

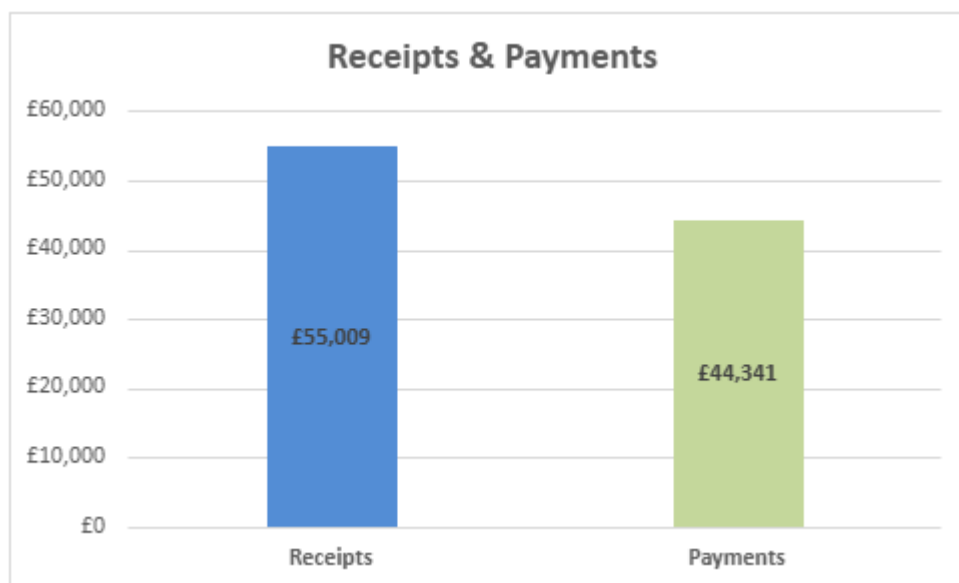
Both the Welfare Project and the Tuesday Club receive invaluable funding from the Government of Ireland Emigrant Support Programme, Veritas Investment, and Awards for All. We deeply appreciate this generous support. Additionally, heartfelt thanks go to the Aeolian Sinfonia, who organize several fundraising concerts throughout the year, and to Gail's Bakery, who kindly donate bread and cakes twice a week. Their ongoing contributions play a crucial role in the success of the project.

SanKTus is supported throughout the year by a variety of organizations, including Wrap Up London, Caritas, Gails bakery, the SVP, and the local community centre. We would like to extend special thanks to all the volunteers who generously give their time and energy. Without their hard work and dedication, the success of this project would not be possible.

## Trustees' Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2025

### Our finances

SanKTus has been supported with grants from the Embassy of Ireland and The National Lottery, private donations and fundraising events within this financial year.



This year the receipts were again higher than the outgoing payments resulting in an increase of our bank account balance by £10,668 at the end of the year. At the same time the balance of our unrestricted funds was reduced by £1,991 at the end of the year.

SanKTus aims to have a reserve of approximate 20% of annual payments at the end of the financial year. With a total of £23,804 of unrestricted funds and £13,586 of restricted funds this is well met.

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SanKTus has only a small number of major donors and when one of these donors falls away the ongoing activities can only continue in its current form for a short period. This is recognised as a major funding risk.

The main expense for SanKTus is the salary payments to the co-ordinator. It is a role crucial to the good running of the services. Without the grants of the major donors, it would not be possible to have a co-ordinator. SanKTus recognises that it is important to reduce the reliance on a small number of major donors and will be looking at other grants and options for fund raising.

## 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:**

<b>Signature</b>	Margaret Harvey
<b>Full name</b>	Margaret Harvey
<b>Date</b>	29/03/2026



Charity Name SanKtus			No (if any) 1136596	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2024	To	Period end date 30/06/2025	

## 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>					
<b>Grants</b>			-		
Government of Ireland - ESP	-	29,373	-	<b>29,373</b>	29,384
Awards for All	-	20,000	-	<b>20,000</b>	10,000
Caritas St John Southworth	-	-	-	-	1,200
Grant Irish in Britain	-	-	-	-	1,000
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>49,373</b>			<b>41,584</b>
<b>Donations</b>					
GiveClarity	2,000	-	-	<b>2,000</b>	-
Donations	1,006			<b>1,006</b>	9,486
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,006</b>	-			<b>9,486</b>
<b>Fundraising</b>					
Aeolian Sinfonia Concert	350			<b>350</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>350</b>				-
<b>Other receipts</b>					
Keep Fit Contributions	2,113	-	-	<b>2,113</b>	<b>2,002</b>
CAF Bank Interest	80	-	-	<b>80</b>	<b>76</b>
Veolia refund	61	-	-	<b>61</b>	-
Sainsburys refund	25	-	-	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,280</b>	-	-		<b>2,096</b>
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>5,636</b>	<b>49,373</b>	-	<b>55,009</b>	<b>53,165</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>5,636</b>	<b>49,373</b>	-	<b>55,009</b>	<b>53,165</b>

## Section A Receipts and payments - continued

	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>A3 Payments</b>					
<b>Tuesday Club - ESP Funding</b>					
Keep Fit	1,840	-	-	1,840	1,640
Salary cook	-	1,525	-	1,525	2,242
Food for guests	210	2,960	-	3,170	2,812
Materials & equipment	-	-	-	-	287
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,050</b>	<b>4,484</b>			
<b>Welfare Project - ESP Funding</b>					
Salary Welfare project coordinator	4,100	20,300	-	24,400	24,581
Food for guests & cleaning materials	144	2,850	-	2,994	2,870
Operational Costs	456	215	-	671	939
Catering Equipment	420	-	-	420	-
Governance	2	320	-	322	613
Refuse Collection	261	-	-	261	330
Telephone, WiFi and Web Hosting	135	520	-	655	590
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,517</b>	<b>24,205</b>			
<b>Awards for All</b>					
Volunteer Coordinator Salary	-	7,748	-	7,748	8,985
Volunteer Expenses	-	276	-	276	89
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,024</b>			
<b>Other payments</b>					
Grant Embassy of Ireland Repay	-	-	-	-	464
Bank Account Fees	60	-	-	60	60
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>7,627</b>	<b>36,713</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,341</b>	<b>46,502</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>7,627</b>	<b>36,713</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,341</b>	<b>46,502</b>

## Section A Receipts and payments - continued

	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>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	- 1,992	12,660	-	10,668	6,663
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
Government of Ireland - Carried forward	-	-	-	-	464
Awards for All - Carried forward		926			-
Unrestricted balance Carried forward	25,795		-	25,795	19,594
<b>Cash funds reported last year end</b>	25,795	926	-	26,721	20,058
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	25,795	926	-	26,721	20,058
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	23,803	13,586	-	37,389	26,721



## 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	23,804	-	
	Government of Ireland - Carried forward	-	684	
	Awards for All - Carried forward	-	12,902	
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	<b>23,804</b>	<b>13,586</b>	<b>37,389</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)
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Margaret Harvey	Margaret Harvey	11/03/2026	
	René van Velzen	René van Velzen	11/03/2026	



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## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the  
trustees**

SanKTus

**On accounts for  
the year ended**

30<sup>th</sup> June 2025

**Charity no**

1136596

**Set out on  
pages**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

**Responsibilities  
and basis of  
report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent  
examiner's  
statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records.

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.

**Signed:**

*Iwona Dos*

**Date:**

27/01/2026

**Name:**

Iwona Dos

**Relevant  
professional  
qualification(s):**

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