

Company registration number: 06495712

Charity registration number: 1136720

ISLINGTON SOMALI COMMUNITY

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

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ISLINGTON SOMALI COMMUNITY

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Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present their strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2021, in compliance with s414C of the Companies Act 2006.

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Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

Achievements and performance

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

The main objective of Islington Somali Community (ISC) is to improve the wellbeing of Somalis living in or working in the London Borough of Islington.

Most of ISC's work focuses on providing advice and information to refugees and migrants in the areas of welfare benefits, housing, education, employment, health, utility bills/consumer and other services related to their changing needs.

ISC has provided support to the Somali Community in Islington for over 29 years and have developed and arranged projects and workshops to address social issues affecting but not limited to the Somali community living in Islington. Projects such as domestic violence, mental health support, knife crime, youth services, after school clubs, Elderly people's services and health awareness sessions to help the community. Other activities include healthy eating and exercise, raising awareness on prevalent health conditions, such as diabetes and prostate cancer awareness.

ISC offers advice and referrals to specialist agencies. In the last year we dealt with over 1,000 cases with the highest proportion relating to welfare rights followed by employment, debt and housing.

ISC Connect offers support to the Elderly people in the community who have been isolated and has helped over 300 Elderly people.

ISC Links engages children and young people, a lot of those youths not being in education, training or employment, to reach their full potential through Job clubs and outreach work on various estates.

This past year, the COVID-19 pandemic had an impact on the community. For many of our clients, the pandemic has increased isolation in already isolated Somali residents and contributed to the rise in poverty resulting from job losses. To keep in line with Government guidelines, ISC had to adapt and change how we operate to maintain the support we provide and assist the community during this difficult time.

We continued the advice and information via phone conversation only, including practical and emotional support to our clients in addressing their issues and assisting them to help themselves. We referred and signposted some clients to other services so that they could receive appropriate help. We have distributed fruit and veg parcels to the isolated elderly as well as those in need.

ISC mainly operated via in-person services and was severely disrupted by the outbreak of COVID-19. Moving to remote working came with its challenges. We provided staff and volunteers with IT training and equipment to respond to the needs of our clients while working from home. ISC staff, management committee and volunteers, redoubled their efforts and quickly and successfully restructured services to continue this vital work.

With the subsequent school closures, many children and young people fell behind in their classwork and struggled to adapt to studying in an environment different from their classrooms. Their homes are often overcrowded and distracting with not enough internet accessible devices to share with siblings. We were able to move our supplementary school classes online to support our young people academically. We expanded enrolment from 26 to 70 students. Children and young people need both emotional and educational support. We are working hard with parents and young people to provide meaningful activities during the summer holidays.


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Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

All of the activities listed above help the people we work with to fully integrate as a Refugee in the host community.

Review of charitable activities undertaken

The strategic report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 21 October 2021 and signed on its behalf by:


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Mr Essa Hussein Ali
Trustee


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Mr Ismail Egal
Trustee

ISLINGTON SOMALI COMMUNITY

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Going concern

The trustees confirm the charity is a going concern;
Reserve Policy. Trustees ensure a minimum of three months funds / resources are available for the continued operation at any point in time.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The company is governed by its Constitution and Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Organisational structure

The Charity has a co-ordinator , support staff and a board of trustees.

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Trustees' Report

Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees

Mr Essa Hussein Ali, (Chairman)
Mr Ismail Egal, (Charity Secretary)
Mr Sharif Alawi, (Treasurer)
Mr Mohammed Yusuf
Mr Bashir Nur
Ms Fadhiya Elmi
Ms Fardowsa Omar
Ms Faduma Salad
Ms Udbi Abati

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Independent Examiner

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities


The trustees (who are also the directors of ISLINGTON SOMALI COMMUNITY for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.


Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable 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 charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 21 October 2021 and signed on its behalf by:


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Mr Essa Hussein Ali
Trustee


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Mr Ismail Egal
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of ISLINGTON SOMALI COMMUNITY

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 8 to 15 .

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The 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.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to 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 charity 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.


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S K Olaoye FCCA
Chartered Certified Accountants

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21 October 2021

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

(Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	17,871	-	17,871	-
Charitable activities	4	-	90,247	90,247	91,097
Investment income		-	-	-	82
Total Income		<u>17,871</u>	<u>90,247</u>	<u>108,118</u>	<u>91,179</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	5	<u>(16,748)</u>	<u>(91,127)</u>	<u>(107,875)</u>	<u>(89,953)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(16,748)</u>	<u>(91,127)</u>	<u>(107,875)</u>	<u>(89,953)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>1,123</u>	<u>(880)</u>	<u>243</u>	<u>1,226</u>
Net movement in funds		1,123	(880)	-243	1,226
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>46,040</u>	<u>13,405</u>	<u>59,445</u>	<u>58,218</u>
Total funds carried forward	11	<u>47,163</u>	<u>12,525</u>	<u>59,688</u>	<u>59,444</u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2020 is shown in note 11.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	5	5
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		77,490	85,993
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(17,807)</u>	<u>(26,553)</u>
Net current assets		<u>59,683</u>	<u>59,440</u>
Net assets		<u>59,688</u>	<u>59,445</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted funds		12,525	13,405
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>47,163</u>	<u>46,039</u>
Total funds	11	<u>59,688</u>	<u>59,444</u>

For the financial year ending 31 March 2021 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

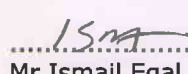
Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- 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.

The financial statements on pages 8 to 15 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 21 October 2021 and signed on their behalf by:


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Mr Essa Hussein Ali
Trustee


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Mr Ismail Egal
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

1 Charity status

The charity is a charity limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £Nil towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

ISLINGTON SOMALI COMMUNITY meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

Income and endowments

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of the income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Deferred income

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which, it has been received. Such income is only deferred when:

- The donor specifies that the grant or donation must only be used in future accounting periods; or
- The donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

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Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees's meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £0.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Research and development

Research and development expenditure is written off as incurred.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Total 2021
	General £	£
Grants, including capital grants;		
Grants from other charities	17,871	17,871
	<u>17,871</u>	<u>17,871</u>

4 Income from charitable activities

	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
LBI - COMMUNITY FUND	20,500	20,500	20,000
GLA-YOUNG LONDON	22,233	22,233	-
MOTHER TONGE (MTSS)	6,308	6,308	5,000
LONDON COMMUNITY RESPONSE-	4,800	4,800	1,400
BBC CHILDREN IN NEED	10,000	10,000	9,445
VRU -HOME OFFICE	7,585	7,585	-
OTHERS (IBAA)	3,698	3,698	18,823
AWARD FOR ALL	3,323	3,323	6,678
CRIPPPLEGATE	9,000	9,000	-
TRUST FOR LONDON	2,800	2,800	29,751
	<u>90,247</u>	<u>90,247</u>	<u>91,097</u>

5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
Note	General £		£	£	£
LBI - COMMUNITY FUND	10,465		26,298	36,763	21,130
GLA-YOUNG LONDON	-		20,646	20,646	22,764
MOTHER TONGE (MTSS)	-		6,111	6,111	5,236
LONDON COMMUNITY RESPONSE-	-		4,484	4,484	4,383
BBC CHILDREN IN NEED	-		12,553	12,553	12,462

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	Note	General £	£	£	£
VRU -HOME OFFICE		-	5,854	5,854	-
OTHERS (IBAA)		-	2,692	2,692	5,728
AWARD FOR ALL		-	11,134	11,134	6,158
CRIPPPLEGATE		-	-	-	9,249
Staff costs		-	-	-	1,191
Allocated support costs	6	5,683	-	5,683	-
Governance costs	6	600	1,355	1,955	1,685
		<u>16,748</u>	<u>91,127</u>	<u>107,875</u>	<u>89,986</u>
					Total 2021 £

6 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	General £	£	£	£
Allocated support costs	600	1,355	1,955	1,685
	<u>600</u>	<u>1,355</u>	<u>1,955</u>	<u>1,685</u>

7 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2020 £
Staff costs during the year were:	
Pension costs	<u>1,191</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2021 No	2020 No
Charitable activity	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

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No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year.

8 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2020	<u>21,168</u>	<u>21,168</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>21,168</u>	<u>21,168</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2020	<u>21,163</u>	<u>21,163</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>21,163</u>	<u>21,163</u>
Net book value		
At 31 March 2021	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals	1,585	1,520
Deferred income	<u>16,222</u>	<u>25,033</u>
	<u>17,807</u>	<u>26,553</u>

11 Funds

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Unrestricted funds				
General	-	(17,871)	16,748	(1,123)
Restricted funds	<u>(22,233)</u>	<u>(68,014)</u>	<u>91,127</u>	<u>880</u>
Total funds	<u><u>(22,233)</u></u>	<u><u>(85,885)</u></u>	<u><u>107,875</u></u>	<u><u>(243)</u></u>

12 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	General £	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	-	5	5
Current assets	87,741	(7,341)	80,400
Current liabilities	-	(19,597)	(19,597)
Total net assets	<u><u>87,741</u></u>	<u><u>(26,933)</u></u>	<u><u>60,808</u></u>

13 Analysis of net funds

	At 1 April 2020 £	Cash flow £	At 31 March 2021 £
Cash at bank and in hand	85,993	(8,503)	77,490
Net debt	<u><u>85,993</u></u>	<u><u>(8,503)</u></u>	<u><u>77,490</u></u>

14 Related party transactions -

There were no related party transactions in the year.