

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 07401481 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1141103**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020**  
**FOR**  
**ASPIRING COMMUNITIES**

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**ASPIRING COMMUNITIES**

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## **ASPIRING COMMUNITIES**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020**

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2019).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims**

The Charity's objectives as set out in the objects contained within the company's Articles of Association are:

To further or benefit the residents of Leeds, and locations in Scotland, Ireland and Pakistan, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.

In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have the power:

To establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the Company.

##### **Activities**

The objects will be achieved and realised through:

1. To establish short term hiring, leasing and secure long term purchase of properties to function as community centres
2. Provision of community based activities and programmes based upon specific needs
3. Fundraising

-short term funding based upon donations, member subscriptions, business sponsorships

-mid to long term funding based upon donations, member subscriptions, business sponsorships and hiring/rental of community centres for functions/events

-the charity has expanded and evolved its fundraising activities and channels to countries outwith the areas of operation

##### **Volunteers**

Many volunteers give up their time to help out the charity with fundraising activities. The charity is greatly indebted to these volunteers for their commitment and support.

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#### ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

##### Charitable activities

Working in partnership with local communities and other organisations, our charitable aims, objects and activities centre around three main themes:

1. Advancement of Communities
2. Advancement of Health
3. Advancement of Religion

#### 1. Advancement of Communities

Our community based activities and development programmes revolve around specifically meeting the needs of the local communities through the provision of community centres for:

Community Task Teams & Engagement Workshops  
Inter Faith & Multi Cultural Meeting  
Youth Career Clinics

Community Centre Projects

Our strategic objectives are to serve local communities on a long term basis delivered through sustainable community centre projects, with segregated facilities for:

Community Based Events  
Sporting and Recreation Facilities  
Islamic Learning Centres

#### 2. Advancement of Health

Our community health programmes will integrate the balancing needs of fitness, good dietary habits and lifestyle choices whilst addressing the specific cultural needs of ethnic groups through the provision of:

Equal Opportunity Recreation Facilities  
Sporting Competitions and Events  
Good Health Literature

#### 3. Advancement of Religion

Religious harmony is an essential component in addressing the needs of successful community integration and wider society today, our dedicated programmes will include:

English Speaking Facilities  
Inter Faith Meetings and Events  
Open Access Islamic Learning Centres

Throughout the year, the trustees will travel to Pakistan to promote the true and peaceful teachings of Islam and furthermore distribute aid to the poor and needy.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

##### Reserves policy

The General fund represents funds arising from past operating results. The Directors are satisfied that the balance of the fund will enable the charity to meet its objectives. The Directors have also examined the requirement to maintain reserves for the on going work of the charity and concluded that the most appropriate level is between 6 to 12 months of operational expenditure.

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#### **FUTURE PLANS**

The charity currently holds a significant amount of funds in the charity account for future developments. The charity will develop and refurbish the building it owns, which will include an Islamic learning centre and Sports/Community centre. We now have planning approval to develop the building and we aim to begin the building work very soon in compliance with planning law and conditions.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

Aspiring Communities is a registered charity and also a company limited by guarantee without share capital. Aspiring Communities was established in 2010. The Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association was incorporated on 8th October 2010. The charity number is 1141103 and the company registration number is 7401481.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

The trustees have the power to appoint any person to be a trustee in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed. An appointed trustee holds office within the limits permitted by law.

##### **Organisational structure**

The charity is managed by the directors. The details of the current directors are listed below:

Asjad Mahmood  
Yasir Mahmood  
Nadeem Mahammed Hanif  
Nazarbat Mahroof  
Jahan Zeb Ahmed

All major decisions are carried out through consultation and agreement with all the trustees.

##### **Induction and training of new trustees**

All new trustees are given, in the view of the board, sufficient training and have enough knowledge of their specific field to understand the nature of the charity and fully comply with the charity's current views of its progression. External training sessions are provided if required.

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

##### **Registered Company number**

07401481 (England and Wales)

##### **Registered Charity number**

1141103

##### **Registered office**

49 Barkly Road  
Beeston  
Leeds  
LS11 7EN

##### **Trustees**

A Mahmood  
Y Mahmood  
N M Hanif  
N Mahroof  
J Z Ahmed

##### **Company Secretary**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Independent Examiner**

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 23 July 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

A Mahmood - Trustee

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ASPIRING COMMUNITIES

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### **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Aspiring Communities ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 October 2020.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

Mrs Shamim Mahomed  
ICAEW  
SKM Chartered Accountants  
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23 July 2021

**ASPIRING COMMUNITIES**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020**

		2020 Unrestricted fund £	2019 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	Notes		
Donations and legacies	2	353,711	355,541
Investment income	3	-	558
<b>Total</b>		353,711	356,099
 <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>	4		
Support costs		494,222	359,061
 <b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		(140,511)	(2,962)
 <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		2,144,449	2,147,411
 <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		2,003,938	2,144,449

The notes form part of these financial statements



# ASPIRING COMMUNITIES

## BALANCE SHEET 31 OCTOBER 2020

	Notes	2020 Unrestricted fund £	2019 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	9	1,161,944	1,052,702
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	10	118,233	130,688
Cash at bank and in hand		1,186,110	1,305,255
		<u>1,304,343</u>	<u>1,435,943</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(133,652)	(18,624)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>1,170,691</u>	<u>1,417,319</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		2,332,635	2,470,021
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	12	(328,697)	(325,572)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>2,003,938</u>	<u>2,144,449</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	14		
Unrestricted funds		2,003,938	2,144,449
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>2,003,938</u>	<u>2,144,449</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 October 2020.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

**ASPIRING COMMUNITIES**

**BALANCE SHEET - continued**  
**31 OCTOBER 2020**

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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 23 July 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

A Mahmood - Trustee

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**Income**

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

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Land and property is not depreciated. Buildings are maintained to ensure that their value does not diminish over time. The maintenance costs are charged to profit and loss in the year incurred. In the trustees' opinion, depreciation would be immaterial and has not been charged.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and Fittings                      - 15% on reducing balance

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

### 2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Donations	323,604	165,424
Gift aid	30,107	190,117
	<u>353,711</u>	<u>355,541</u>

### 3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2020	2019
	£	£
Interest received	-	558
	<u>-</u>	<u>558</u>

### 4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Support costs (see note 5) £
Support costs	
	<u>494,222</u>

### 5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Finance £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Support costs				
	<u>475,644</u>	<u>668</u>	<u>17,910</u>	<u>494,222</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

#### Management

	2020 Support costs £	2019 Total activities £
Event Expenses	326,772	341,990
Motor & Travel expenses	1,994	3,039
Telephone	509	293
Sundries	133	13
Insurance	5,865	5,224
Post and Stationery	281	21
Repairs and Renewals	11,489	1,920
Security and Site Management	124,200	-
Heat and Light	2,877	1,083
Rates and water	709	485
Carried forward	<u>474,829</u>	<u>354,068</u>

# ASPIRING COMMUNITIES

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

### 5. SUPPORT COSTS - continued

#### Management - continued

	2020 Support costs	2019 Total activities
	£	£
Brought forward	474,829	354,068
Advertising	-	654
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	815	753
	<u>475,644</u>	<u>355,475</u>

### 6. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2020 £	2019 £
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>815</u>	<u>754</u>

### 7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 October 2020 nor for the year ended 31 October 2019.

#### Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2020 nor for the year ended 31 October 2019.

### 8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	
Donations and legacies	355,541
Investment income	558
<b>Total</b>	<u>356,099</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>	
<b>Charitable activities</b>	
Support costs	359,061
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	<u>(2,962)</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
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**8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued**

Unrestricted  
fund  
£

**RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS**

**Total funds brought forward** 2,147,411

**TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD** 2,144,449

**9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>					
At 1 November 2019	825,831	222,602	9,094	-	1,057,527
Additions	-	109,182	-	875	110,057
	<u>825,831</u>	<u>331,784</u>	<u>9,094</u>	<u>875</u>	<u>1,167,584</u>
At 31 October 2020	825,831	331,784	9,094	875	1,167,584
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>					
At 1 November 2019	-	-	4,825	-	4,825
Charge for year	-	-	640	175	815
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,465</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>5,640</u>
At 31 October 2020	-	-	5,465	175	5,640
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>					
At 31 October 2020	<u>825,831</u>	<u>331,784</u>	<u>3,629</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>1,161,944</u>
At 31 October 2019	<u>825,831</u>	<u>222,602</u>	<u>4,269</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,052,702</u>

**10. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2020 £	2019 £
Other debtors	118,233	129,609
Prepayments	-	1,079
	<u>118,233</u>	<u>130,688</u>

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**11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2020 £	2019 £
Trade creditors	132,572	17,544
Accrued expenses	1,080	1,080
	<u>133,652</u>	<u>18,624</u>

**12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

	2020 £	2019 £
Other loans (see note 13)	328,697	325,572
	<u>328,697</u>	<u>325,572</u>

**13. LOANS**

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2020 £	2019 £
Amounts falling due between two and five years:		
Other loans - 2-5 years	328,697	325,572
	<u>328,697</u>	<u>325,572</u>

**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/11/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/10/20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	2,144,449	(140,511)	2,003,938
	<u>2,144,449</u>	<u>(140,511)</u>	<u>2,003,938</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>2,144,449</u>	<u>(140,511)</u>	<u>2,003,938</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	353,711	(494,222)	(140,511)
	<u>353,711</u>	<u>(494,222)</u>	<u>(140,511)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>353,711</u>	<u>(494,222)</u>	<u>(140,511)</u>

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/11/18 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/10/19 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	2,147,411	(2,962)	2,144,449
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>2,147,411</u>	<u>(2,962)</u>	<u>2,144,449</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	356,099	(359,061)	(2,962)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>356,099</u>	<u>(359,061)</u>	<u>(2,962)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/11/18 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/10/20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	2,147,411	(143,473)	2,003,938
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>2,147,411</u>	<u>(143,473)</u>	<u>2,003,938</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	709,810	(853,283)	(143,473)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>709,810</u>	<u>(853,283)</u>	<u>(143,473)</u>



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**15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 October 2020.

# ASPIRING COMMUNITIES

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

	2020 £	2019 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	323,604	165,424
Gift aid	30,107	190,117
	<u>353,711</u>	<u>355,541</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Interest received	-	558
	<u>-</u>	<u>558</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<u>353,711</u>	<u>356,099</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Event Expenses	326,772	341,990
Motor & Travel expenses	1,994	3,039
Telephone	509	293
Sundries	133	13
Insurance	5,865	5,224
Post and Stationery	281	21
Repairs and Renewals	11,489	1,920
Security and Site Management	124,200	-
Heat and Light	2,877	1,083
Rates and water	709	485
Advertising	-	654
Fixtures and fittings	640	753
Computer equipment	175	-
	<u>475,644</u>	<u>355,475</u>
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank charges	668	2,506
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy	1,080	1,080
Legal & Professional	16,830	-
	<u>17,910</u>	<u>1,080</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>494,222</u>	<u>359,061</u>
<b>Net expenditure</b>	<u>(140,511)</u>	<u>(2,962)</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements