

Elays Network

**Director's And Trustees Report And
Accounts**



ELAYS
Network

Year Ending
31/March/2025

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Organisation Details

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Company Number	04763530
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Background

The Directors present the Elays Network Director's Report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2025. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act and comply with statutory requirements for the Director's Report and Accounts.

Elays Network is a multifaceted community organisation established in May 2003. The charity exists to engage, educate, and empower individuals and communities who are disengaged or marginalised from accessing essential services and support. The organisation delivers a wide range of community-based activities, both directly and in partnership with statutory and voluntary sector organisations.

Elays Core Services

Elays Network is a frontline community organisation working to engage, educate, and empower local communities. During the reporting period, the charity supported over 25,972 regular service users through a broad programme of activities for children, young people, adults, older people, and the wider community. Services are designed to create safe environments, promote inclusion, and improve wellbeing.

The charity delivers its work through the following key thematic areas:

Education and Training

The Education and Training programme aims to improve skills, knowledge, and employability, while supporting access to further and higher education.

Programs:

During the year, Elays Network expanded its education provision following the successful delivery of the Digital Inclusion Course. Programmes delivered included:

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- Digital Inclusion programmes for adults and young people, covering software development, website design, app development, and programming. Participant feedback was consistently positive.
- Strengthening Family and Strengthening Community parenting programmes, supporting parents to develop skills, confidence, and knowledge to promote positive parenting.
- Reforming Parent–Child Relationship programmes, aimed at rebuilding and strengthening relationships between parents and children, supported by regular themed workshops.

Total Annual Service Users = 340

Health & Wellbeing

The Health and Wellbeing programme seeks to improve physical and mental health outcomes through healthy eating initiatives, physical activity, and targeted workshops addressing mental health and long-term health conditions.

Since the Covid-19 pandemic, Elays Network has delivered workshops, produced educational resources, and facilitated community discussions in partnership with local public health teams, the NHS, Public Health England, Integrated Care Boards (ICB), and voluntary sector partners. The programme focuses on improving awareness and access to health and wellbeing services.

Programs and activities

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- Women-only activities, including Pilates and swimming sessions, healthy eating initiatives, and health discussions covering maternity, women's health, mental health, and nutrition.
- Men's activities, including football programmes. Six football clubs were delivered weekly, engaging over 75 men to improve physical and mental wellbeing.
- Community Health Champions programme, training community members to raise awareness of long-term health conditions such as Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), Cardiovascular Disease (CVD), and diabetes, with a focus on prevention through healthy lifestyles.
- Quarterly community health clinics focused on early intervention and prevention of long-term health conditions.

Total Annual Service Users = 8,640

Advice & advocacy

Elays Network delivers advice and advocacy services to support access to social welfare, housing, employment, education, and health and wellbeing services. Services are delivered across three Wandsworth locations: Battersea, Southfields, and Roehampton as well as wider London.

The advice team provides multilingual support in English, Somali, Sudanese, Amharic, and Arabic. Staff receive ongoing professional development, including training in benefits and welfare and homelessness law.

The organisation has over 23 years' experience working with schools and education settings. Elays Network employed five full-time staff, Five part-time staff, and was supported by active volunteers. Trustees, staff, and volunteers bring lived experience relevant to the needs of the communities served.

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Total Annual Service Users = 2,736

Elays Youth Program:

The Elays Youth Club remains central to the charity's youth provision, providing structured and informal activities for young people aged 8–19 from the local area and wider Wandsworth community. Activities include debates, arts and crafts, cooking sessions, and sports.

The youth programme supports personal development, positive engagement, and community participation. Following the lifting of Covid-19 restrictions, youth participation increased significantly during the reporting period.

Activities and Events

Seaside Trips

Post-pandemic activities resumed, including summer seaside trips for families and young people. Over 1,000 families participated, supporting family wellbeing and social connection.

Residential and Sailing Trip

Young people participated in the summer residential and sailing programme, travelling from London to Plymouth and visiting locations including Falmouth, Fowey, Dartmouth, and Salcombe. The programme supported teamwork, responsibility, confidence, communication skills, and engagement with education and employment pathways.

Holiday And Food program

Children and young people eligible for free school meals accessed free holiday

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provision, including nutritious meals and structured physical and social activities. Food and nutrition education was also delivered to children and parents.

In response to the financial impact of the rise of living cost and lack of funding for the voluntary sector, Elays Network hosted a *Meet the Funders* event to support community organisations. Representatives from the Greater London Authority (GLA) presented funding opportunities, enabling organisations to engage directly with funders and strengthen funding readiness.

Total Annual Service Users = 800

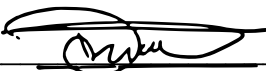
Achievements

During the reporting period, Elays Network achieved several key milestones supporting organisational sustainability and service development. The charity successfully secured an extension to its building lease until **2035**, providing long-term operational stability.

Securing funding for the renovation of the football pitch to be completed in mid 2026 will improve the quality and safety of facilities used by community members and strengthen participation in physical activity programmes.

Service delivery was expanded through the establishment of a new centre in **Southfields**, increasing accessibility to advice, advocacy, and community services.

In addition, Elays Network produced an introductory film to support organisational visibility, demonstrate impact, and enhance engagement with funders, partners, and stakeholders.

Signed  _____

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Mr. Ibrahim Duaale - Chairman Date: 30/01/2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ELAYS NETWORK

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Elays Network ('the charity') for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the 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 the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA), which is one of the listed bodies. I have completed my examination; I confirm that no matters

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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 charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. The financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. The financial statements 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 financial statements 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 (FRS102).

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:



Date: 30/01/2026

Md Iqbal Hossain MBA, FCCA

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Statement of Financial Activities
Annual Accounts Ending 31st March 2025
Income and expenditure account

Incoming Resources	Not e	Unrestric ted Funds	Restricted	TOTAL Funds 2025	Unrestri cted Funds	Restrict ed Funds	TOTAL Funds 2024
Donation and Legacies	2	11,104	376,398	387,502	7,896	381,081	388,977
Trading Income	3	43,795	-	43,795	26,079	-	26,079
Other Income	4	274	-	274	193	-	193
Total Income		55,173 =====	376,398 =====	431,571 =====	34,168 =====	381,081 =====	415,249 =====
Expenditure on:	5						
Charitable activities		30,577	433,141	463,718	33,481	351,872	385,353
Total expenditure		30,577 =====	433,141 =====	463,718 =====	33,481 =====	351,872 =====	385,353 =====
Net Income & net movement in funds		24,596	(56,743)	(32,147)	687	29,209	29,896
Reconciliation of fund:							
Total funds brought forward		20,580	58,729	79,309	19,893	29,520	49,413
Total funds carried forward		45,176 =====	1,986 =====	47,162 =====	20,580 =====	58,729 =====	79,309 =====

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TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The Charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above period. The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these accounts

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ELAYS NETWORK BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2025					
FIXED ASSETS	Note		2025		2024
		£	£	£	£
Office Equipment	10		-	8,535	10,669
Debtors	11	4,403	-	-	32,805
Rent Deposit		7,681			5,010
Cash at Bank in Hand		70,566			66,336
Total Current Assets		-	82,650		104,151
Creditors and Accruals	13		(44,023)		(18,795)
Advance Received	12		-		(16,716)
Net Current Assets				38,627	68,640
Net Assets				47,162 =====	79,309 =====
Unrestricted Funds	14			45,176	20,580
Restricted Funds	14			1,986	58,729
Total Funds				47,162 =====	79,309 =====

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and that 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 the 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

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the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies' subject to the small companies' regime.

These accounts were approved by the Board of Directors and Trustees on 09/06/2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Signed  _____

Mr. Ibrahim Duaale - Chairman

Date: 30/01/2026

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these accounts.

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Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year.

1.1 Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the applicable Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" published in March 2005 and the Companies Act 1985.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is small company.

1.2 Incoming Resources

Income from activities, voluntary income and donations are included in incoming resources when they are receivable, except when the donors specify that they must be used in future accounting periods or donors' conditions have not been fulfilled, then the income is deferred. The income from fundraising ventures is shown gross, with the associated costs included in fundraising costs.

1.3 Resources Expended

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

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Expenditure that is directly attributable to specific activities has been included in these cost categories. Where costs are attributable to more than one activity, they have been apportioned across the cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of those resources.

1.4 Going Concern Basis

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, as in the opinion of the director and trustees, there are no issues arising which would suggest any other basis as being more appropriate.

1.5 Depreciation

Depreciation is provided using the following rates and bases to reduce by annual instalments the cost, less estimated residual value, of tangible assets over the estimated useful lives:

Furniture, Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment - 20% on a reduced line basis.

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2. Income from donations and legacies:

Grants, donations, and legacies:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Donation & Voluntary contribution	11,104	-	11,104	1,462
London Borough of Wandsworth	-	19,770	19,770	46,251
Big Lottery – Reaching Community	-	82,467	82,467	80,229
Apple Europe	-	10,134	10,134	10,134
Community Organisation	-	72,900	72,900	75,000
LBW Children Service Department	-	28,346	28,346	25,000
Wimbledon Foundation	-	1,500	1,500	10,000
SWL ICB	-	34,339	34,339	11,453
Propel	-	39,757	39,757	19,639
City Bridge Trust	-	45,000	45,000	49,000
Race Equality Foundation	-	5,035	5,035	-
LBW Council Rental Subsidise	-	25,000	25,000	-
Education and Training fees	-	-	-	3,684
SIR Walter ST	-	-	-	3,000
Big Lottery- Cost of Living Up Lift	-	-	-	5,641
Wandsworth Care Alliance	-	5,350	5,350	20,000
Wandsworth Council- Childhood Obesity	-	-	-	5,234
Trust for London	-	-	-	20,500
Mayor's Office	-	6,800	6,800	2,750
TOTAL	11,104 =====	376,398 =====	387,502 =====	388,977 =====

3. Trading Income:

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£

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Rent & Events fees	43,795	-	43,795	26,079
TOTAL	43,795 =====	- =====	43,795 =====	26,079 =====

Notes to the financial statements (continuing)

Year ended 31 March 2025

4. Other Income:

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Bank Interest	274	-	274	193
TOTAL	274 =====	- =====	274 =====	193 =====

5. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund type:

Charitable activities & Support Cost	Un-restricted Funds	Restrict ed Funds	Total 2025	Un-restricted Funds	Restrict ed Funds	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Salary, pension & Sessional	-	207,749	207,749	2,437	166,539	168,976
Venue hire & Rent	-	44,638	44,638	8,621	31,622	40,243
Telephone, Internet, Website & Media	1,287	8,821	10,108	2,225	9,777	12,002
Voluntary Exp	-	4,670	4,670	4,246	6,368	10,614
Travel Expenses	-	445	445	-	234	234
Refreshments	213	-	213	-	-	-
Insurance	-	1,302	1,302	-	1,265	1,265
Printing and stationery	-	714	714	-	1,230	1,230
Utilities	-	7,651	7,651	-	9,389	9,389
Professional & Bookkeeping	1,227	5,658	6,885	-	5,006	5,006
Recruitment Cost	-	-	-	-	674	674
Project Activities	-	115,801	115,801	-	89,403	89,403
Training & Advocacy	-	3,248	3,248	-	1,804	1,804

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Fundraising Cost	6,093	-	6,093	6,140	-	6,140
Staff Training	450	-	450	176	-	176
Organisational Development/Consultancy	20,000	30,310	50,310	-	25,894	25,894
Bank Charge	207	-	207	128	-	128
Repair & Maintenance	1,100	-	1,100	9,508	-	9,508
Depreciation	-	2,134	2,134	-	2,667	2,667
Total	30,577 =====	433,141 =====	463,718 =====	33,481 =====	351,872 =====	385,353 =====

Notes to the financial statements (continuing)

Year ended 31 March 2025

6. Staff Costs:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Salaries & Sessional fees	207,749	168,976
TOTAL	207,749 =====	168,976 =====

The average Number of employees during the year 24/25 was 9 also Sessional workers 24/25 was 9. Year 23/24 employees were 6 and Sessional Worker was 13.

7. TRUSTEES EXPENSES

No expenses are paid to Trustees.

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year (2024: nil).

8. Related party transactions

There are no related party transactions to disclose for 2025 (2024: none) There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

9. Taxation

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

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10. Fixed Assets

	Computer Equipment	Furniture	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	13,661	4,823	18,484
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	15,190	5,280	20,470
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	8,745	1,056	9,801
Charge this period	1,289	845	2,134
At 31 March 2025	10,034	1,901	11,935
Net book value			
At 31 March 2025	5,156	3,379	8,535
At 31 March 2024	6,445	4,224	10,669

11. Debtors & Receivable

	2025	2024
	£	£
Debtors	4,403	-
SWL ICB	-	11,453
Propel	-	19,639
Wandsworth Family Support	-	1,213
Mayors Fund	-	500
Total	4,403 =====	32,805 =====

12. Advance Received

	2025	2024
	£	£
Big Lottery – Reaching Community	-	13,372

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London Borough of Wandsworth	-	3,344
Total	- =====	16,716 =====

13.Creditors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other Creditors	6,672	694
HMRC	35,551	16,301
Independent examination	1,800	1,800
Total Creditors	44,023 =====	18,795 =====

Accruals: Provision for Accountancy fees.

14.Analysis of charitable Funds:

	Unrestrict ed Fund	Restricted Funds	Total Fund 2025
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets Restricted	6,899	1,636	8,535
Net Current assets	38,627	-	38,627
Net Assets	45,526 =====	1,636 =====	47,162 =====

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Benefits in kind

There were no benefits in kind in the period.

Independent examination and accountancy services

During the period, the cost of the examination was £1,800.

Glossary of terms

Restricted funds: These are funds given to the charity, subject to specific restrictions set by the donor, but still within the general objects of the charity.

Creditors These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

Debtors: These are amounts owed to the charity, but not received in the accounting period.

Prepayments: These are services that the charity has paid for in advance, but not used during the accounting period.

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