



**STREATHAM DROP-IN CENTRE FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS AND
REFUGEES**

Registered Charity no. 1156824

Financial Statements
Year ending March 31, 2022

Streatham Drop-in Centre for Asylum Seekers and Refugees was founded in 2002 and is based in Streatham, London Borough of Lambeth. We assist asylum seekers and refugees by providing a welcoming environment where they can access a number of relevant services and community activities. Our vision is a community in which all asylum seekers and refugees are welcomed, valued and able to participate fully in society.

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Current Charity Details

Trustees

Abiodun Olushola	Chair Appointed 28.12.2021
Zoheb Hafeez	Treasurer
Dumisani Nyathi	Resigned 14.07.2022
Soria Rehamna	Appointed 14.10.2021
Jemeela Quraishi	Appointed 27.10.2021
Nick Maybanks	Resigned 28.12.2021
Juliette Sanders	Resigned 28.12.2021

Premises

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Charity Number

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Report of the Management Committee

The management committee, whose members are the trustees of Streatham Drop-in Centre, presents its report and independently examined financial statements for the year ending 31st March 2022.

Status

The charity's constitution is its governing document. The charity was registered on 8th June 2004 and 1st April 2005 took over all assets, liabilities and operations from the unincorporated association of the same name.

Charity's Objective

The charity's main objective is to support people who are refugees, asylum seekers and/or those who are similarly disadvantaged.

Annual Review

After responding effectively to the challenges posed by the pandemic and embedding the provision of services remotely by listening to our users and learning new ways of working, the SDIC team worked tirelessly to successfully maintain our services as well as meticulously and safely plan for the return to the charity premises and face-to-face meetings with our users. Initially focussing on the family learning support for children and adults as the priority was to address the impacts of isolation experienced by children following extended lockdowns.

It was in fact a very difficult year for the team as the charity coordinator was on leave for health reasons for a substantial part of that year (total of 4 members of staff in 21-22). Besides, the availability of volunteers was very scarce until the very end of the lockdown. The high turnaround of trustees at the end of the year added to the challenge faced by the staff, who still provided new trustees with the input and information required to conduct their reviews in the absence of the charity coordinator.

Streatham drop-in Centre for Asylum Seekers and Refugees demonstrated that, even in the hardest of times, it strives to respond to the needs of the most vulnerable and provides holistic services which include family learning for both children and parents including English For Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), Health advice and advocacy as well as welfare support for users experiencing extreme poverty.

Homework & Family Learning

Our homework and family learning showed very high levels of resilience and a strong capability to adapt, consistently achieving high attendance throughout the pandemic from both children and parents during their weekly online sessions. The process of returning to the "classroom" settings was managed very smoothly and within a strict covid-19 safety protocol, the children and parents were welcomed back in new temporary premises in Sep-21 due to works being conducted at English Martyrs church hall. Our family learning homework support leader shortlisted and visited suitable and affordable premises to

resume face-to-face services in September 2021. They also ensured the children re-joined the highly impactful young growers' project which provided interactive outdoor and educational activities within the Streatham Community Gardens. With the relaxation of the rules, the children also enjoyed a visit to the cinema before Christmas, followed by a small party with Christmas presents that were also donated by another charity (mainly books and toys).

The funders were very impressed with the progress of the children based on the end of year report as well as the continuation of services to vulnerable children during the pandemic therefore they decided to extend the funding for another three years.

Advice & Support Services

Our advice services also performed exceptionally despite the lack of face-to-face contacts. Our advice lead supported many vulnerable and destitute families on a range of issues (made worse by the partial closure of many public services) by:

- Facilitating access to Lambeth covid emergency support and Lambeth foodbank with weekly groceries, nappies, formulae milk, wipes (forms had to be filled in weekly on behalf of many families to enable weekly deliveries throughout the pandemic, 4 pages of forms for each delivery which was very time consuming),
- Supporting victims of domestic violence which unfortunately increased during this time,
- Enabling continuation and facilitation of online health and immigration advice from Lambeth,
- Supporting families with special needs, as no specialist care was available, by providing tools and advice to keep children busy and stimulated, sending as many toys and books that the charity could find through donations and initiatives.

Acknowledgements

All this would not have been possible without the continuing support of our funders throughout this difficult time including and not limiting to BBC Children In Need, The Walcott Foundation, The Borough Cadbury Trust, Trust For London and all our individual donors. We are immensely grateful for their support.

Financial Review

The charity began the financial year 2021/22 with reserves of £55,569 of which £41,527 were unrestricted. There was a surplus for the year on unrestricted funds of £11,843. At 31st March 2022 there were unrestricted funds carried forward of £43,370 and restricted funds totalling £7,426. Our reserves policy is to hold three to six months running costs in free reserves as recommended by the charity commission. Our budgeted expenditure for 2022/2023 is £80,000. We aim to hold between £21,000 and £42,000 in unrestricted funds.

Despite the difficult year and constraints in receiving new grants and donations, the trustees are confident the charity stands in good financial stead.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the activities of the charity and of its results for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

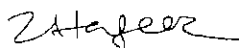
- a) Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently,
- b) Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- c) Prepare the financial statements on an ongoing concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in existence.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

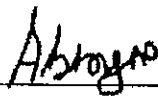
Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

This report was approved by the charity trustees on 25th January 2023 on their behalf by:



Zoheb Hafeez – SDIC Treasurer



Abiodun Olushola - Chair

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of the Streatham Drop-in Centre

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended March 31 2022, which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

As the charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, 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

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 2011 Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

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Statement of Financial Activities

March 31, 2022

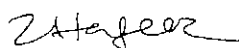
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Incoming Resources					
Grants	3		71,285	71,285	71,445
Donations	4	1,243	-	1,243	16,646
Interest		-	-	-	
Other		2,000	-	2,000	
Total Incoming Resources		3,243	71,285	74,528	88,091
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities	5	-	77,901	77,901	68,101
Governance	6	1,400	-	1,400	1,000
Total Resources Expended		1,400	77,901	79,301	69,101
Movement in funds		1,843	(6,616)	4,773	18,990
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Total funds brought forward		41,527	14,042	55,569	36,579
Total funds carried forward		43,370	7,426	50,796	55,569

Balance Sheet

At March 31, 2022

	<u>Notes</u>	2022 £	2021 £
Current Assets			
Debtors and prepayments	7	490	15,491
Cash at bank		53,171	41,331
Cash in hand		-	111
		<u>53,661</u>	<u>56,933</u>
Current Liabilities			
Creditors and accruals	8	<u>(2,865)</u>	<u>(1,364)</u>
Net Assets		<u>50,796</u>	<u>55,569</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted		43,370	41,527
Restricted	9	<u>7,426</u>	<u>14,042</u>
Total Funds		<u>50,796</u>	<u>55,569</u>

Approved by the Executive Committee/ Trustees on 25.1.2023



Management Committee Member/
Trustee



Management Committee Member/
Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting: These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the CIO has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

Tangible fixed assets: Capitalisation threshold of £250 applies and any capitalised items are depreciated at the rate of 25% per annum on cost.

Fund accounting: Funds held by the charity are either:

- unrestricted general funds: these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Executive Committee;
- restricted funds: these are funds which 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

Investment policy is to account for interest as and when received.

Incoming resources: voluntary income received in the form of grants and donations is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on specific performance, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Resources expended: Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity, and include the independent examiners fee and costs associated with the management of the charity

Taxation: The charity is provisionally exempt from tax on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

2. Principal Funders

The Walcott Foundation granted 3-year funding totalling £75,000. This grant started on August 1 2020

BBC Children in Need Appeal granted 3-year funding totalling £85,136. This grant started on October 1 2018.

The Trust for London gave 1-year funding totalling £29,061 for 2021/22.

3. Incoming Resources: Grants

	2022 £	2021 £
BBC Children in Need Appeal	14,314	28,503
The Walcott Foundation	25,000	-
Trust for London	29,861	10,000
The London Churches Refugees Fund	-	850
Help for Refugees	-	-
Thrale Charity RIN	2,000	2,000
The Barrow Cadbury Trust	110	21,000
The London Community Foundation	-	8,992
Total	<u>71,285</u>	<u>71,445</u>

4. Incoming Resources: Donations

	2022 £	2021 £
Crowd funding	-	7,015
English Martyrs Church	-	-
St Peter's Church	-	-
Lambeth Food Bank	2,000	7,600
Downing LLP	-	-
Faith Together in Lambeth	-	-
Personal Donations	<u>1,194</u>	<u>2,031</u>
Total	<u>3,194</u>	<u>16,646</u>

5. Charitable Activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Salaries (Employees: 5 (2020/21: 5)	64,788	53,779
Employer NI	-	-
Pension	4,984	3,160
Agency staff	-	-
Events and activities	-	4,500
Volunteer expenses	-	-
Centre lunches and healthy snacks	-	-
User grants	(30)	(42)
User travel support	-	-
Family support programme	3,155	2,987
Rent	1,755	-
Stationary, printing and postage	-	-
Publications and subscriptions	492	525
Insurance	1,434	1,051
Phone	493	350
Payroll admin	564	564
Miscellaneous	266	-
Training	-	140
Total	<u>77,901</u>	<u>68,695</u>

No employee earned over £60,000 during the year.

6. Governance

	2022 £	2021 £
Independent examination and accounts preparation	1,200	1,000
Management Committee expenses	<u>200</u>	
Total	<u>1,400</u>	<u>1,000</u>

7. Debtors and Prepayments

	2022 £	2021 £
Prepayments (Insurance)	490	1,177
BBC Children in Need	-	<u>14,314</u>
Total	<u>490</u>	<u>15,491</u>

8. Creditors and Accrued Expenditure

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals and sundry creditors	<u>2,505</u>	<u>1,364</u>
Total	<u>2,505</u>	<u>1,364</u>

9. Restricted Reserves

	Balance 01 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance 31 March 2022 £
BBC Children in Need 2018/21	2,364	14,314	(16,038)	640
Walcott Foundation	-	25,000	(18,750)	6,250
Trust for London	-	29,861	(29,861)	-
The London Churches Refugee Fund	820		(284)	536
The Barrow Cadbury Trust	10,858	110	(10,968)	-
Thrale Charity RIN	-	2,000	(2,000)	-
				-
Total	<u>14,042</u>	<u>71,285</u>	<u>(77,901)</u>	<u>7,426</u>

10. Related Parties

There are no related parties other than the trustees. No payments were made to the trustees during the year nor were they reimbursed any expenses. (2020: nil)