

Charity number: 1162896

**Baddibu Society UK (BASUK)
Charitable Incorporated Organisation
(CIO)**

**Trustees' report and financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

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Legal and administrative information

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Registered office 517 Katherian Road, Forest Gate, London, E7 8DR

Trustee Names	Office (if any)	Date Appointed
Mr Alikali Fofana	Chairman	25/07/2017
Mrs Mariama Touray Njie	Assistant Chair Lady	03/11/2018
Mrs Mariama Dibba Demba	Culture & Organisation Secretary	03/11/2018
Mr Ebou Juwara	Secretary General	01/07/2015
Mr Musa Jammeh	Treasurer	01/07/2015
Mr Mustapha Jaiteh	Trustee / Council of Elders	01/07/2015
Mr Omar Daffe	Trustee / Council of Elders	01/07/2015
Mr Yusupha Jammeh	Deputy Secretary General	01/07/2015

Senior Officers	Office (if any)	Date Appointed
Mr Ansumana Barrow	Council of Elders	01/07/2015
Mr Lang Suwareh	Council of Elders	29/12/2018
Mr Lamin Saho	Assistant Secretary General	25/07/2017
Mrs Ndey Jabang Sanneh	Assistant Culture & Organisation Secretary	03/11/2018

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Baddibu Society UK

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Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 December 2020

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020. The trustees of Baddibu Society UK who serve during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

Structure, governance, and management

Description of the charity's trust

Type of governing document
(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution adopted 3rd of September 2012

How the charity is constituted
(e.g. trust, association, company)

Association consisting of 289 members

Trustee selection methods
(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

Trustees are elected or re-elected tri-annually at the Tri-Annual Congress Meeting in July

It is the policy of the Society that outgoing members of the Executive Management Committee would have to provide the necessary support and guidance to the new ones before they settle in their new roles.

The charity is run by Executive Management Committee (headed by a chairman), some of whom are part of the Trustees, provided they were elected by members. The Society will seek to collaborate with wider network of bodies that may provide helpful advice and opportunities for joint programs.

All Executive Management Committee and Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefit.

Objectives

Summary of the objectives

The objects of the CIO are:

- i. To advance the education of the public in the subject of African Culture and Heritage, particularly not restricted to The Gambia.
- ii. The prevention or relief of poverty in Baddibu (Northern Region of The Gambia) and the country at large by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all necessary support designed to enable individuals to have access to their basic and essential needs.

- iii. To provide, for the benefit of the public, assistance through conciliation for couples whose relationships appear to be breaking down, and where such relationships have already broken down, to advise and help in settlement of differences or potential differences over associated members such as custody and access to children and financial matters.

Summary of public benefit

In planning the Society's activities for the year, BASUK kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at the Executive Management and Trustee meetings. The focus of activities remains the pursuant of the above objects. These benefit members by enhancing the multicultural dimension of their respective communities.

The members are direct beneficiaries of the help provided in the event of emergencies/unfortunate circumstances by whatever means appropriate be it financial, social, or moral support deemed fit by the Trustees.

By collaborating with Regional Boroughs within UK and participate in their worthwhile ventures in the areas of education, capacity building, community enhancement as well as other social and economic activities, enhances the social skills and personal development of members. With policies formulated in line with the latter facilitates family cohesion, community integration and communication amongst members.

Though the Society is started by the people of Baddibu, a region in The Gambia, BASUK welcome all people regardless of cultural background, gender or personal circumstances who share our above summarised objectives. This open-door philosophy, the Society believes is the cornerstone needed for any meaningful development structure.

Public Benefit of Charitable Activities

- A. Cultural Education: The public benefits include:
- Providing physical prayer space and facilities for all Muslims
 - Providing space and facilities for community use by all Muslims and Non-Muslims
 - Providing Imams for pastoral guidance, especially in relation to births, marriages, and deaths.
- B. Poverty alleviation through education, training, and healthcare assistance: The public benefits under this charity object include:
- Providing supplementary education for children
 - Providing adult education
 - Supporting schools through donation of education materials
 - Supporting primary healthcare centres, through donation of health care facilities and targeted healthcare projects.
- C. Provision of counselling and support services: The public benefit under this charity object is providing bereavement, marriage, family, and other appropriate counselling.
- Making the services of statutory and mainstream agencies accessible to members of the Muslim community, especially those from Gambian and West African background.
 - Providing personal and organisational grants and donations to help people facing financial hardship or suffering from physical or mental illness, disease, distress, or other forms of disadvantage.

Great commitment is made by General membership through their voluntary contributions. The Society is indebted to the current Executive Management Committee and Council of Elders for their on-going selfless service to the Society both financial and otherwise. Without their valuable contribution of time, energy, and expertise BASUK would not have been able to achieve such an accelerated development.

The Society has had no activities during the year in question due to Covid lockdowns. However, it has extended a helping hand in the form of shopping to vulnerable members who are self-isolating or actually ill from Covid infections

Baddibu Society UK (BASUK)'s achievements 2020

Regular monthly Executive or general meetings were not achieved due to Covid lockdowns.

- BASUK members' daily chats on social media via WhatsApp groups, regular email correspondence or telephone conversations.
- Has had difficulty in delivering the yearly account to the Charity Commission due to the impact of Covid.

In May 2020, BASUK donated £900 cash to Gambia for Covid support; these were remitted through a payment service institution for quick and expedient delivery to the beneficiaries.

BASUK accomplished monthly SUSU contributions where the participants have benefited from saving money for valuable future investment.

Financial Review

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for the Trustees' Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable incorporated organisation and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable incorporated organisation for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then 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 operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The society's policy on reserves has been to retain all the regular contributions of members, less any admin and social events expenses, to build up enough funds to embark on significant projects.

Reserves of the unrestricted fund as at the end of the year consist of cash at bank of £8,696, (2019: £5,975). These funds excluded £6,519 (2019: £7,244) of restricted funds for the Social Kambeng Fund, Women's Wing, Fankanta and Funeral Fund. Transfers of £900 were made from the Unrestricted General Fund to support Covid victims in Gambia.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

There were no funds in deficit during year and as at the year end.

Financial review details

BASUK's main source of funds has switched from being annual fundraising to members' voluntary contributions. Members contributions continue to be a stable source of Income, but unfortunately, the outbreak of COVID19 has led to no fundraising events in 2020, which continue to have an impact on this year and next years' financial results.

The Society plans to rigorously continue pursuing other fundraising activities to support the achievement of the above stated objectives.

Other optional information

Next Year Expansion Plan

The coming year will see more emphasis on strengthening the relationships between the BASUK Chapters by continuing to collaboratively organising fundraising events. The new chapter formed in the Gambia in January 2020 will also be empowered to carry out BASUK's projects in abroad.

As the Covid 19 has created stress for many members in the UK, BASUK will actively be providing counselling service for individuals in need.

The Charity is also organising a big cultural fundraising event for July 2021. The probable limitation to this plan may be the negative impact of the Covid 19. BASUK comply with the health and safety of everyone.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signatures: *Ebou Juwara*

Full Name: Ebou Juwara

Position: Secretary General

Date: 27 - 07 - 2022

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Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating the income and expenditure accounts) for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generating funds					
Voluntary income	2	3,841	5,495	9,336	1,145
Activities for generating funds	3	0	0	0	3,996
Total incoming resources		<u>3,841</u>	<u>5,495</u>	<u>9,336</u>	<u>5,141</u>
Resources expended					
Charitable activities costs	4	900	6,220	7,120	3,133
Costs of generating funds	5	0	0	0	3,134
Governance costs	6	220	0	220	228
Total resources expended		<u>1,120</u>	<u>6,220</u>	<u>7,340</u>	<u>6,495</u>
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year		<u>2,721</u>	<u>(725)</u>	<u>1,996</u>	<u>(1,354)</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating the income and expenditure accounts) has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There were no recognised gains or losses other than those passing through the statement of financial activities.

The notes on pages 11 to 13 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2020

		2020		2019	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current Assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		15,215		13,220	
		<u>15,215</u>		<u>13,220</u>	
Creditors: amount falling due within one year	7	0		0	
		<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>	
Net Current Assets			15,215		13,220
			<u>15,215</u>		<u>13,220</u>
Net Assets			<u>15,215</u>		<u>13,220</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted income funds	8		8,696		5,975
Restricted income funds	8		<u>6,519</u>		<u>7,244</u>
Total funds			<u>15,215</u>		<u>13,220</u>

In approving financial statements as trustees of the company we hereby confirm:

- (i) That for the year stated above the charity was entitled to the exemption conferred by section 477 of the companies Act 2006;
- (ii) That no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 requesting that an audit be conducted for the year ended 31 December 2020;
- (iii) That we acknowledge our responsibilities for:
 - Ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and
 - Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its net incoming or expended resources for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of section 394 and 395, and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2015).

The financial statements were approved by the board on 27 July 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed: *Alikali Fofana*

Alikali Fofana
Name:
Chairman

The notes on pages 11 to 13 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

1. Accounting policies

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

1.1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2015), the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to categories of income:

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Gifts donated for resale are included as incoming resources within activities for generating funds when they are sold.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

1.3. Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as liabilities are incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Costs of generating funds comprises the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the cost of activities for generating funds, such as trading for fundraising purposes including the charity's shop, where applicable.

Charitable activities costs comprise 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.

2. Voluntary Income	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	3,841	5,495	9,336	814
Contributions	0	0	0	331
	<u>3,841</u>	<u>5,495</u>	<u>9,336</u>	<u>1,145</u>
3. Activities for generating funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Baddibu-Day Luncheon Sale	0	0	0	3,996
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,996</u>
4. Charitable activities costs	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Disaster Relief	0	0	0	247
Activities for Kids	0	1,930	1,930	1,580
Covid-19 Support	900	0	900	1,580
Donations to other charities	0	0	0	150
	<u>900</u>	<u>1,930</u>	<u>2,830</u>	<u>3,133</u>
5. Cost of generating funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Baddibu-Day Luncheon Sale	0	0	0	2,928
Distributions	47	4,290	4,337	206
	<u>47</u>	<u>4,290</u>	<u>4,337</u>	<u>3,134</u>
6. Governance Costs	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Website hosting	173	0	173	173
Phone bills	0	0	0	55
	<u>173</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>173</u>	<u>228</u>
7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Ramadan Essential	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

8. Analysis of Funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
At 01 January 2020				
BASUK Main Fund - BMF	5,975	0	5,975	10,364
BASUK Women Fund - BWF	0	2,411	2,411	2,286
BASUK Social Kambeng Fund - SKF	0	473	473	1,350
BASUK Fankanta Fund - FKF	0	3,944	3,944	369
BASUK Funeral Fund - BFF	0	416	416	1,130
	5,975	7,245	13,220	14,574
Incoming resources				
BASUK Main Fund - BMF	3,841		3,841	4,810
BASUK Women Fund - BWF	0	3,455	3,455	331
BASUK Social Kambeng Fund - SKF	0	0	0	0
BASUK Fankanta Fund - FKF	0	2,040	0	0
BASUK Funeral Fund - BFF	0	0	0	0
	3,841	5,495	9,336	5,141
Outgoing resources				
BASUK Main Fund - BMF	(1,120)	0	(1,987)	(1,987)
BASUK Women Fund - BWF	0	(3,820)	(3,820)	(4,508)
BASUK Social Kambeng Fund - SKF	0	(470)	(470)	0
BASUK Fankanta Fund - FKF	0	(1,930)	(1,930)	0
BASUK Funeral Fund - BFF	0	0	0	0
	(1,120)	(6,220)	(7,340)	(6,495)
Transfers				
BASUK Main Fund - BMF	0	0	0	0
BASUK Women Fund - BWF	0	0	0	0
BASUK Social Kambeng Fund - SKF	0	0	0	0
BASUK Fankanta Fund - FKF	0	0	0	0
BASUK Funeral Fund - BFF	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
At 31 December 2020				
BASUK Main Fund - BMF	8,696	0	8,696	5,975
BASUK Women Fund - BWF	0	2,046	2,046	2,411
BASUK Social Kambeng Fund - SKF	0	3	3	473
BASUK Fankanta Fund - FKF	0	4,054	4,054	3,944
BASUK Funeral Fund - BFF	0	416	416	416
	8,696	6,520	15,215	13,220

9. Employees

There were no employees during the year. All the trustees and executive members are volunteers

10. Taxation

The charity's activities fall within the exemptions afforded by the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. Accordingly, there is no taxation charge in these accounts.