

Trustees' Annual Report for the period								
From		Period start date			To		Period end date	
		05	10	2021			05	10

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Oromo Women's Association UK
Other names charity is known by	Oromo Women's Association UK
Registered charity number (if any)	1163845
Charity's principal address	06 Owen Road
	Ash Green
	Warwickshire
Postcode	CV7 9DY

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Addis Alem Dheeresa			
2	Konjit Tilahun			
3	Diribe Tarfa Tiba			
4	Raziya Badhaso			
5	Seblewongale Tadesse			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Charity constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Supported by Oromo Community UK

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The charity has created 3 branches in order to enable Oromo women have access to OWA UK membership and benefit from it

The branches are created in London, West Midlands and Bolton/Manchester
The branches will have three committees and will be able to call a meeting, invite a speaker, fundraise and open separate bank account when needed

OWA UK celebrates International women's Day annually
OWA UK has organised three peaceful protests to support Oromo Women in Oromia, Ethiopia

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote and preserve and protect the physical and mental health of Oromo women by seeking to advance about female genital mutilation, domestic violence, and stereotypes and to advocate ending the bad practices of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM).

To provide and assist the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation for Oromo women in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

- 1) We strengthened Oromo Women Association Affiliated branch office in Bolton to reach out Oromo women in Manchester and West Midlands
- 2) Took part in UK Parliament week in Nov. 2017 organised cultural show; had a guest speaker over Skype Human Right watch about Oromo women's human right violations. Displayed educational posters and role played to entertain our guests/audience.
- 3) Celebrated International Women's Day and educated Oromo women about the purpose of this celebration. Briefed women that Oromo women had protected their rights with institution called 'Siqqee' and the respect for women which was ratified in the Gadaa System in 15th and 16th century and how we lost the system when we were colonised by Ethiopian Empire
- 4) Undertook AGM meeting and replaced two core committee members
- 5) Organised social and fun day that brought all the family together and
- 6) Visited two member's families whose husband are critically ill

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Above activities are repeated every year

Establishing Oromo Women's Association Branch across UK.

Strengthening Oromo Women's Association in UK.

Materially and morally supporting Oromo women back home in Oromia

Introducing Oromo Culture to Younger Generation

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Raised awareness of FGM and Domestic violence.
Took part in joint peaceful protest to address the plight of women in Oromia (Ethiopia) affected by conflict.

Strengthening branch of OWA UK in London, Bolton, and West Midlands
- delegated responsibilities for trustees to run local responsibilities and fundraise.

Encouraging support of trustees during illnesses and sad periods

Organized cultural events to introduce our younger generation who are born in the UK.

Supported migrants and members who experienced domestic violence.

Undertaken three peaceful protests against the brutal government of Ethiopia.

Celebrated International Women's Day

Financially supported Oromo women who are displaced from their land through the Oromo Relief Association.

Provided supporting letter to Oromo women who seek refuge in the UK.

Gave witness statements to Oromo women in Court to evidence the member is seeking genuine asylum.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity doesn't have sufficient fund to have reserve in the account.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

none

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Addis A Deressa	
Full name(s)	Addis Alem Deresa	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	29/01/24	