

**CHARITY REGISTERED NUMBER: 1165797
ENGLAND AND WALES**

ENSEMBLE MANCHESTER
REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05TH APRIL 2021

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CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05TH APRIL 2021

TRUSTEES:	Melanie Ngangen Valerie Ngos Vartan Lloyd Morris Blaise Nsangou Dany Njiadeu
REGISTERED OFFICE	37 Weybridge Road Manchester M4 6FD
CHARITY NUMBER	1165797
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05TH APRIL 2021

The trustees present their report for the year ended 05th April 2021.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation was registered with the charity Commission on 29th February 2016.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which charity is exposed, in particular those relating to the operations and finances of the charity, and believe effective insurance, checks, controls and procedures are in place to mitigate those risks.

The Trustees meet regularly to attend legal and administrative affairs of the Charity, to review and set policy and to establish long-term strategies for the charity.

Introduction

Ensemble exists to serve the needs of Manchester residents with a central African background or heritage particularly those who speak French as their native language or those whose parents/heritage is French-speaking African. We are concerned to support children, Young people and their families in Manchester, preserving a rich and proud cultural heritage. We work with parents to help retain cultural identity and support children and young people to connect with their heritage, maintain the French and heritage languages and through this to understand, acknowledge and share their background positively.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Charity's objects are:

- 1) The advancement of education in all aspects of French African culture and heritage, in particular by the provision of educational activities and cultural events.
- 2) To advance in life and help young people of the French African community in Manchester by providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.
- 3) To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the French African community of Manchester in such a way that they are better able to identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society in particular by the provision of training opportunities, advocacy and support.

Our aims also include:

To build bridges that help connect different generations and cultures within and between French speaking Africans; to raise achievement and attainment of children and young people in mainstream schools and society.

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Our Vision

Multilingual and united Franco-African Community that embraces the past and achieves their full potential.

Mission

To build bridges that help connect generations and communities through identity awareness and heritage maintenance. Values, Identity and origin, Family, Unity, Innovation and creativity, and Enterprising.

Our core provision is the French Supplementary School; we are also involved in healthy eating and exercising, heritage preservation, training and advocacy support for children and young people struggling with identity conflicts.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.

Main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objectives

**Ensemble Healthy Eating and Active Families
Volunteering Training.**

Funding from Forever Manchester has allowed us to become more resilient by training our volunteers we were able to establish clear boundaries, allocate task descriptions and ensure volunteers' expenses are paid. This is so that no one feels out of pocket after helping and have given their time to support others in need and help to reach out to the most vulnerable people within the community.

It has allowed us to work collaboratively with other community leaders and develop a collaborative action plan for cooking, which has received additional funding to carry out the project until March 2021.

This funding also allowed us to train 15 volunteers.

Main Community Served: -

Mainly French speaking community but we also worked with families from all over Africa and the local community.

Volunteer roles included:

- Volunteer Bilingual Tutors
- Volunteer African Drumming and Dance Tutors
- Volunteer Cook
- Volunteer Active Family coach
- Volunteer Heritage Football Coach
- Volunteer Outreach worker

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The Franco African Collaborative Action Plan for cooking

We have successfully delivered the Franco African Collaborative Action Plan for cooking project-involving Camdoc UK, the Church of Apostles and Ensemble Manchester in Bringing older and younger people from different ethnic groups together during a 6-month period.

The Collaborative Action Plan provided an opportunity for older people (50+) and Younger people (16-30) to contribute to their community, through culturally appropriate healthy cooking programmes.

We have recruited older people as volunteers to cook, and assist families to remain connected. Volunteers had received training, in delivering healthy eating sessions from Ensemble Manchester, project staff and younger volunteers, whilst essentially running the project themselves, supported them.

We have encouraged young and older people to work together and we believe that the skills of each generation can add to our strength and enable the development of a long-term self-run community cooking service, contributing to the welfare of the wider African community.

Our second collaborative Action plan for cooking project has been a 'meals on wheels' style service for vulnerable elderly people, People recovering from Covid-19, Lone parents and young mums. Friendly Meals ensured those isolated, housebound or infirm benefited through provision of healthy and satisfying meals and associated befriending. Vulnerable people received visits from volunteers bringing meals, newspapers, conversation or support. The volunteers were also able to offer support on well-being issues to isolated, older people during difficult times, such as illness or bereavement.

We offered people the chance to take more control of their life and wellbeing during the pandemic. This includes cooking healthy meals, being active and connecting with others, taking on training and work opportunities.

The Collaborative Action Plan for cooking project made the following impact:

- Improved health and wellbeing
- Strengthened community networks, and increased collaboration
- Reduction of fear, risk of burn out and second spike because people will receive regular up to date information about government guidelines on Covid-19 in French or suitable heritage languages
- A more resilient community in which people will want to volunteer because they have been spoken to, feel valued and are prepared to put more effort to sustain the project.

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The Grand Kitchen Afroganic

During Covid-19, Ensemble delivered their Afroganic Meal Kit online using a cooking coach and sending ingredients and recipes in advance.

Afroganic Meal Kit

This is a meal prep scheme we have designed to teach healthy cooking on a tight budget, to children, young people and families. It also allowed us to make African cuisine simple and fun. The project has allowed people within the Francophone African Community to make a positive contribution volunteering, training or taking up employment within various community projects such as our own. Healthy Eating and Active Family project and the Church of apostles Food parcel scheme.

We now had a lot of feedback from parents and the young people, telling us that the Afroganic Meal Kit offers a lot of value, including supporting young people to gain new skills and improve their knowledge of African cuisine.

We also learnt from participants at the church of Apostles, that trying new foods unfamiliar to them boosted their appetite and supported them during their recovery from Covid-19.

Contribution made by volunteers

280 hours volunteering time offered by 15 volunteers.

Achievements and Performance

Ensemble received a loan and grant package of £40,000 from GM Social Investment in January 2020 to develop and trade their French Supplementary School training package and to explore their proposals to create a training/bulk cooking kitchen.

Selling the French Supplementary School training package was put on hold during the pandemic of covid-19, with the aim of restarting it in the new financial year. Instead, food and cooking, particularly for young people and families on limited budgets, become a greater priority. Ensemble looked at ways to do their bulk cooking sessions online using a cooking coach and sending ingredients and recipes in advance.

A total of 278 people benefited directly from our cooking project during covid-19. These include 51 People from White, Irish and Caribbean background, who received friendly hot meals, 35 of them from the church of apostles (20 females and 15 males over 50) 3 Disable.

Our Beneficiaries

Franco African Families in greater Manchester, Young people under 25yrs and older people over 50s

Young people less than 25yrs

Asylum seekers and/or refugees 65

Young people not in education employment or training 12

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Within social services 0

Disable: 2

Parents in work poverty, older parents, Grandparents or guardian over 50s

Asylum seekers and/or refugees 126

People leaving with long term chronic conditions 6

Lone Parents 60

Young Mums 36

PARTICIPANTS BREAKDOWN

40 English, Scottish, Northern Irish UK residents received regular hot meal, 158 African, Mixed/Multiple ethnic groups received Meal Kit/Food parcels and attended online webinars delivered by Cameroonian Doctors.

The impact the funding had on beneficiaries

3/7 of our leadership are women from Black and ethnic minority Ethnic group

OUTPUTS

Partnership

The number of community organization joining forces to work together to support volunteers, recruiting volunteers, 280 hours volunteering time.

A stronger community that work well together and share resources to support individuals affected by covid-19

Increased chances of employment in the community as a result of volunteering in a structured program

Number of organisations we have collaborated with Cameroon Forum UK, Cameroon Doctors UK, Manchester Settlement and Parental Engagement Network, Church of Apostles, Congo 10, Master Moves.

FUTURE PLANNING AND PROPOSALS:

Our future plans and activities are adversely affected by COVID 19 and we are hopeful that we get through this difficult period and hopefully things will get better soon. We are planning to do the following:

- We are now piloting French Supplementary school and cookery classes online
- Developing a collaborative Action Plan for cooking
- Looking at how digital technology can extend our reach and facilitate cultural exchange

The projects are also allowing people to make a positive contribution volunteering, training or taking up employment within our community projects and social enterprise (Sessions are Free for young people).

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

The Trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its surplus and deficit for that period, In preparing those accounts, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
 - Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
 - State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any 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 this basis applies.

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

The Trustees may, in respect of any accounting year, elect under s133 charities Act 2011 to prepare – (a) a receipts and payments account, and (b) a statement of assets and liabilities, instead of a statement of accounts under section 132 (1) Charities Act 2011 if gross income in any financial year does not exceed £250,000.

The Trustees have confirmed that an independent examination is required under section 145 Charities Act 2011

DECLARATION

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

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 Signed Mrs Melanie Ngangen (Trustee)

Date 26th April 2022

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05TH APRIL 2021

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 05 April 2021 which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The charity's Trustees consider that audit is not required for the period under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and that independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Direction 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.
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 explanation from the 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

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
- To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

Have not been met; or

- To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05TH APRIL 2021

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2021
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources	2				
Donation, Grants and Legacies		-	31,677	-	31,677
Income resources from generated funds		15,504	-	-	15,504
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		15,504	31,677	-	47,181
		=====	=====	=====	=====
Resources Expended					
Charitable Expenditure	3	24,950	49,096	-	74,046
		=====	=====	=====	=====
Net of Receipts/ (Payments)		(9,446)	(17,419)	-	(26,865)
Balance Brought down At 06 April 2020		721	17,419	-	18,140
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Balance Brought forward At 05 April 2021		(8,725)	-	-	(8,725)
		=====	=====	=====	=====

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 05TH APRIL 2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2021 £
Fixed Assets	9,798	-	-	9,798
Current Assets				
Stock	7,000	-	-	7,000
Cash at Bank/ in Hand	4,229	-	-	4,229
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	21,027	-	-	21,027
Creditors				
Amount falling within one year	(6,744)	-	-	(6,744)
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Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)	14,283	-	-	14,283
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Total Assets less current liabilities	-	-	-	-
Creditors				
Amount falling due after one year	(23,008)	-	-	(23,008)
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-				
Net Assets	(8,725)	-	-	(8,725)
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Reserves				
General Reserve Fund	(8,725)	-	-	(8,725)
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Total Funds	(8,725)	-	-	(8,725)
	=====	=====	=====	=====

The Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 26th April 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mrs Melanie Ngangen (Trustee)

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1 Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and the Accounts have been prepared on receipt and payments basis in accordance with the Charity Commission guidance.

2 Analysis of incoming resources:

	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Restricted Funds	-	31,677	31,677
Unrestricted Funds	15,504	-	15,504
	-----	-----	-----
Total	15,504	31,677	47,181

3 Analysis of resources expanded:

	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Food Purchase	618	5,254	5,872
Professional Cost	500	-	500
Project Coordination Fee	8,012	8,548	16,560
Packaging	226	811	1,037
Volunteer Expenses	-	1,668	1,668
Deprecation Equipment	2,151	-	2,151
Premises Cost	5,993	5,460	11,453
Repairs and Maintenance	1,526	-	1,526
Subcontractor	2,592	21,250	23,842
Publicity Marketing	617	2,125	2,742
Interest on Loan	1,632	-	1,632
Miscellaneous	150	300	450
Training	708	3,000	3,708
Bank Charges	34	80	114
General Administration Expenses	191	600	791
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Total	24,950	49,096	74,046

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4 Income

Income from Grants, fundraising events, goods sale and membership fee is only accounted for only when it is actually received.

Restricted Funds:

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets the criteria is identified to the fund, together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

Unrestricted Funds:

Unrestricted funds are fundraising events and other income received or generated for the objects of the organisation without further specified purpose and are available for general funds.

5 Expenditure

Expenses of the Charity are accounted for only when the actual payment is actually made

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Equipment £
Cost or valuation	
At 06 April 2020	At cost -
Addition during the year	11,949
At 05 April 2021	----- 11,949 -----
Depreciation	
At 06 April 2020	-
Charge for the year	2,151
At 05 April 2021	----- 9,798 =====
Net book value	
At 05 April 2021	9,798 =====
At 05 April 2020	----- - =====

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7 Stock	2021
	£
Finished goods	7,000

	7,000
	=====

8 Debtors:

No Debtors during the year

9 Creditors: amount falling due within one year:

	2021
	£
Greater Manchester Centre for Voluntary Organisation (GMCVO)	6,744

	6,744
	=====

10 Creditors: amount falling due after one year:

	2021
	£
Greater Manchester Centre for Voluntary Organisation (GMCVO)	23,008

	23,008
	=====

11 Trustees:

None of the Trustees received any remuneration during the year except for a payment to Mrs Melanie Ngangen for Project coordination.

12 Employees:

There were no employees during the year. The Charity's work is undertaken by Volunteers.