



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

Day
13

Month
04

Year
2023

To

Period end date

Day
12

Month
04

Year
2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

OLDALONE UK

Other names charity is known by

N/A

Registered charity number (if any)

1166468

Charity's principal address

c/o Bridge Renewal Trust, 256 St Ann's Road

Tottenham

London

Postcode

N15 5BN

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	Izabela Branisteanu	Chair	From 17/08/2020	
2	Gonzalo Delgado	Finance Director	From 10/02/2016	
3	Christopher Maxwell Thompson		From 07/09/2023	
4	Ionela-Nicoleta Flood		From 07/09/2023	
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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)

Luisa Brands

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

"Foundation Model" Constitution

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

Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

"Trustees may be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees"

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.

Oldalone UK is dedicated to its mission of providing essential services and support to its community. To ensure effective governance and operational excellence, the charity has implemented robust policies and procedures, including those related to the induction and training of trustees.

Induction and Training of Trustees

We place significant emphasis on the proper on boarding of trustees. Induction sessions are conducted to familiarise new trustees with the charity's mission, values, and operational framework. Comprehensive training programs are organised to equip trustees with the necessary knowledge and skills to fulfil their roles effectively. This includes an understanding of legal and regulatory responsibilities, financial oversight, and ethical considerations.

Organisational Structure and Network

We operate with a well-defined organisational structure to streamline our activities. This structure ensures clear lines of responsibility and accountability. Additionally, Oldalone UK actively engages in a wider network, collaborating with other organisations that share similar values and goals. This collaborative approach enhances the organisation's reach and impact, fostering a supportive community.

Relationship with Related Parties

The organisation maintains transparency in its relationships with related parties. Any connections or affiliations with related entities, such as partners, sponsors, or affiliates, are disclosed and managed with integrity.

We strive to uphold ethical standards and prevent conflicts of interest, ensuring that partnerships align with our mission and values.

Trustees' Consideration of Major Risks and Management Procedures

The board of trustees is actively involved in assessing and addressing major risks faced by the charity. Regular risk assessments are conducted to identify potential challenges and vulnerabilities. The organisation has established systematic procedures to manage and mitigate these risks effectively. This includes financial risk management, contingency planning, and continuous monitoring to adapt to evolving circumstances.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

"To relieve the charitable needs of elderly people who, as result of their age are lonely or isolated, in particular to the provision of befriending, companionship and IT skills."

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)

As trustees, we wholeheartedly reaffirm our commitment to upholding the principles of public benefit as set out by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

"We pledge to act with integrity, transparency, and accountability, ensuring that all resources and activities are dedicated to improving the lives of older adults, particularly those who are vulnerable or disadvantaged. Our focus remains on delivering meaningful, measurable impact that aligns with the charity's purpose and enriches the well-being of our beneficiaries."

Over this period, OLDALONE UK has undertaken a wide range of impactful initiatives, funded by Haringey Council and The National Lottery Community Fund (Reaching Communities). These programmes have been instrumental in tackling loneliness, social isolation, and depression through activities such as dance and guitar lessons, Community Hub Days, essential IT skills training, and ESOL sessions.

These efforts not only address the evolving needs of our community—including financial pressures stemming from the rising cost of living—but also promote cultural enrichment, educational growth, and emotional well-being.

Our mission remains firmly anchored in our core values of Integrity, Kindness, and Empathy as we strive to build inclusive, age-friendly communities. These initiatives have strengthened the resilience of both our organisation and our beneficiaries, inspiring us to continuously improve and refine our services to meet the changing demands of society.

The shared experiences of our dedicated volunteers during these challenging times have left a profound and lasting impact on us all. Their steadfast commitment has reinforced our determination to champion social inclusion, equal opportunities, and integration for older individuals, especially those from BAME backgrounds. By addressing digital exclusion and language barriers, we are bridging gaps that hinder access to essential services and fostering greater connectedness in the community.

Looking ahead, we remain committed to securing funding that will enhance our infrastructure, sustainability, and capacity to serve. Additionally, we are dedicated to raising awareness about the challenges faced by older individuals through the publication of articles, inspirational messages, and calls for younger generations to empathise with the struggles of our seniors. These efforts aim to foster solidarity, understanding, and a sense of community integration.

We owe immense gratitude to our incredible volunteers, whose unwavering dedication and enthusiasm have been the foundation of our success. Their tireless efforts are at the heart of what we do, and we take great pride in their invaluable contributions. Together, we remain resolute in our mission to support the most underrepresented and vulnerable members of society, building a more inclusive and compassionate future.

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.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

As a small charity, we recognise the many challenges we face. However, we have embraced these challenges with determination, taking responsibility to foster trust and build meaningful relationships with key stakeholders, our beneficiaries, and the wider community.

We understand that sustainable funding is critical to advancing our mission. To that end, we have actively sought opportunities to secure support and ensure the continuity of our work.

During this period, we successfully obtained seven grants—six from various funding streams managed by Haringey Council and one from The National Lottery Community Fund's Reaching Communities programme.

In partnership with Haringey Council, we have delivered a range of in-

person activities, including our flagship, award-winning digital inclusion initiative, Click & Connect 4 All. This programme, designed for older individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, was complemented by other impactful activities such as dance and guitar lessons and Community Hub Days.

Additionally, individual donations and small fundraising events enabled us to carry out a variety of vital community services, including:

- Distributing and delivering food parcels.
- Assisting older individuals with errands.
- Providing translation and help with paperwork for non-English speaking beneficiaries.
- Offering companionship through phone conversations and in-person befriending.

We are proud that these efforts have significantly alleviated loneliness and isolation, helping to reduce the negative mental health impacts often associated with these challenges.

Throughout this period, we have worked diligently to maximise our resources responsibly and efficiently. As we look ahead, we are seeking funding for new, achievable projects that will support our community in recovering from the lingering effects of the pandemic and most recently, the rising cost of living crises.

Current Programmes

- Opening Doors 4 All: Digital Inclusion and ESOL.
- Dance 4 All: Peruvian and Colombian Folk Dance Lessons.
- Guitar 4 All: Guitar Lessons.
- Community Hub Days: A vibrant space for older individuals, their families, and friends to socialise and integrate. These gatherings feature gourmet meals, birthday celebrations, live music, dance choreographies, and access to support and advice when needed.

We have also forged collaborations with organisations that share our values and goals, including Reach and Connect, Connected Communities, and others, primarily through referrals for Spanish-speaking clients.

As an active member of Haringey's Voluntary and Community Sector Group and the VCS Digital Inclusion Network, we are also proud to be a community partner of the East London Business Alliance (ELBA).

Our network has grown significantly, enabling us to strengthen our partnerships with key stakeholders such as Haringey Council's Support and Wellbeing Service department, our long-standing ally, and the broader Voluntary Community Sector in Haringey.

As part of our commitment to fostering more age-friendly communities, our organisation submitted a written proposal to Haringey Council, advocating for a festival to celebrate and honour the lives and achievements of older residents in the borough.

The proposal was met with enthusiasm by key executives at Haringey Council, who; at the time of writing this statement, are actively engaging

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with key organisations and stakeholders to plan and deliver this exciting festival in 2024.

We take immense pride in these accomplishments and remain steadfast in our mission to empower and support the most vulnerable members of our community. Together, we continue to build a more inclusive, connected, and resilient future.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

To ensure consistent service delivery, we implemented a reserves policy from the outset of our charitable activities. This policy ensures that unrestricted funding provides a financial safety net in the event of unforeseen cash flow challenges. By maintaining this reserve, we can effectively manage the balance between income and expenditure, safeguarding the organisation's operational stability. This includes covering essential ongoing costs such as website maintenance, promotional materials, and other miscellaneous expenses.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds were materially in deficit.

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.

Our income is derived from grants, individual donations, and fundraising activities.

The cost of living crisis has placed significant strain on the economy, leading to an increased demand for our services. While small charities like ours often face challenges in competing with larger organisations for recognition and resources, we are deeply grateful for the generosity of the public and the vital support of our stakeholders. During this period, we successfully secured funding from the following sources:

- £ 36,648.00 The National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF)
- £ 4,125.00 Household Support Fund (HSF) via Haringey Council and DWP
- £ 1,017.00 Haringey Council PNP
- £15,000.00 Haringey Council's Support & Wellbeing Service Department
- £ 811.57 Donations
- £ 5,653.13 Fundraising Events
- £ 21.27 Bank Interest received

We are pleased to confirm that our expenditure has been directed towards achieving the charity's core objectives. It is immensely fulfilling to have had the resources necessary to continue providing essential, life-changing services to the valued members of our community.

Section F

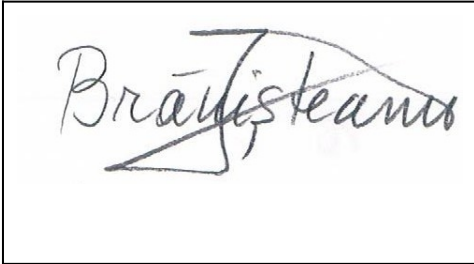
Other optional information

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
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Full name(s)	Izabela Branisteanu	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
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Date	30/01/2025
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
OLDALONE UK

1166468

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
4/13/2023

To

Period end date
4/12/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fundraising Events	5,653	-	-	5,653	6,153
Donations	812	-	-	812	547
Haringey Council-DWP HSF	-	4,125	-	4,125	4,602
Haringey Council-Funded AMIGOS Activities	-	15,000	-	15,000	5,480
Haringey Council People Need Parks Grants	-	1,017	-	1,017	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	36,648	-	36,648	-
Refunds	776	-	-	776	515
Bank interest	21	-	-	21	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	7,262	56,790	-	64,052	17,297
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	7,262	56,790	-	64,052	17,297
A3 Payments					
Fundraising Events Costs	2,101	-	-	2,101	3,817
Haringey Council-DWP HSF	-	4,125	-	4,125	4,602
Haringey Council Funded AMIGOS Activities	-	14,981	-	14,981	5,480
Haringey Council People Need Parks Grants	-	557	-	557	-
General and Administrative	2,080	-	-	2,080	2,262
The National Lottery Community Fund Grants	-	20,464	-	20,464	1,548
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,181	40,127	-	44,308	17,709
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,181	40,127	-	44,308	17,709
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,081	16,664	-	19,744	- 412
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	3,081	16,664	-	19,744	- 412

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		3,081	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,081	16,664	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

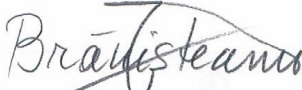
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Izabela Branisteanu	30-Jan-25



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
OLDALONE UK

On accounts for the year
ended

12/04/2021

Charity no
(if any)

1166468

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **12/04/2021**

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

18th June 2021

Name:

Yuval Salomi FCCA

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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