

ONE NEWHAM
(Registered charity no. 1181534)

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
AND
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
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Trustees	Susanne Rauprich – Chair Mehul Desai, Treasurer (from 27th September 2024) Claire Helman, Aston Mansfield (to 31st December 2024) Faith Johnson, Caramel Rock Joseph Lyons, West Ham Foundation (to 6 th March 2025) Amanda Dubarry, Your Place Peter Laing, The Renewal Programme Fiona Baird, Newham New Deal Partnership Sulthana Begum, Bonny Downs Community Association David Idiabana, Newham African Caribbean Resource Centre Sarifa Patel, Residents United Forum (RUF) Christopher Mike, Art in the Docks (from 6th March 2025)
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Charity Reg. No.	1181534
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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

a. Constitution and governing document

One Newham is a charitable incorporated organisation. The Charity was registered with the Charity Commission in January 2019. The charity's registration number is 1181534.

The charity is governed by its Constitution dated January 2019.

The governance of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees. Day-to-day management is by the Network Co-ordinator, who draws on the support and expertise of the highly experienced Board of Trustees as needed.

b. Method of appointment or election of Board of Trustees

Trustees are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Constitution. Regular reviews are held to identify any expertise gaps within the Board of Trustees and appointments are made where required to strengthen the Board of Trustees, subject to all trustees' approval.

Under the terms of the Constitution, one third of the board retires in rotation every year but can stand for re-election for another two terms of a maximum of three years. Members are invited to nominate candidates for election at the Annual General Meeting. In between general meetings, the board is able to appoint suitable candidates to fill skills gaps. Trustees so appointed then stand for election by the One Newham membership at the following Annual General Meeting.

No other person or external body is entitled to appoint any trustees of the charity. The Trustees who served during the period and after the yearend are shown on page 1.

c. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Board of Trustees

The charity provides new trustees with an induction pack and mentoring from the Chair. The charity has limited resources for formal training of the trustee body. However, on-going training opportunities are announced to trustees when these become available pro bono.

d. Related party relationships

The Charity has considered the disclosure requirements of the SORP for related party relationships.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 6 to the accounts.

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Trustees are required to disclose all relevant interests and register them with the Chair of Trustees and to withdraw from decisions where a conflict of interest arises.

The charity also co-operates and liaises with a number of other local charities and public authority departments on behalf of members. Where one of the trustees holds the position of trustee/director of another charity they may be involved in discussions regarding that other charity but not in the ultimate decision-making process.

e. Remuneration policy for key management personnel

In line with our pay policy, the pay of the charity's Network Co-ordinator is reviewed annually, and normally increased in accordance with inflation, depending on affordability. The trustees also draw on their knowledge of the sector and common practice in other charities of similar size to ensure that the remuneration set is fair and not out of line with that generally paid for similar roles.

f. Risk management

The Board of Trustees fully accepts its responsibilities for ensuring that the major risks to which the Charity is exposed are identified, and that there are systems and procedures in place to mitigate those risks.

The Charity is continually monitoring and managing its risk and ensuring action plans are in place to mitigate its key risks. A risk register is in place and is reviewed regularly.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT

a. Purposes and aims

One Newham is a network of voluntary and community organisations that are rooted in local communities and work to improve the lives of people in Newham. One Newham was created so that members learn from each other, benefit from each other's strengths and expertise and through collaboration, innovate to find the best solutions to the issues that concern local people and communities, and the funds to support these.

Our **mission** is to champion and strengthen local charities and community organisations. We do so by facilitating collaborative action in Newham.

Our **values** inform everything we do:

Inclusion	Ensure all community groups, including grassroots organisations, feel supported and valued.
Transparency	Maintain clear, open communication with members and stakeholders.
Leadership	Take bold initiatives and act as a catalyst for sector-wide growth.
Respect	Value and honour the diversity and rights of members and the community.

We have four **strategic priorities** that guide our work:

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Connect: We connect individuals, organisations, and communities to each other, services, and opportunities. We build partnerships and networks that facilitate collective action and initiatives.

Support: We provide and commission a support programme for our members, ranging from one-to-one advice and training, to small grants and partnership funding. We help initiatives start up and keep going by adding capacity and/or hosting projects, programmes, and fledgling organisations.

Champion: We advocate for community and voluntary action, give our members a voice, and showcase their work to funders, policy makers, and anyone interested in how local activists make a difference in Newham.

Influence: We collect data and evidence of the impact of voluntary action, and policy, on the well-being of local communities. We build relationships and engage in conversations so that policies, plans, and strategies are designed to support residents, communities, and voluntary organisations in Newham.

There are currently 300 organisations in membership of One Newham, offering a range of services and opportunities for Newham residents. One Newham members create significant impact, not only for the people who participate in the activities that our members provide, but also for our local communities.

In 2024–25, our priorities included: driving health equity through community-led innovation; strengthening sector voice; supporting sustainability and environmental action and building digital capacity as well as financial and governance capacity building for the charities and communities in Newham.

b. Principal Activities

In the year to 31 March 2025, One Newham delivered activities in four main areas:

1. Practical facilitation and support of collaboration and coordination, and relationship building in the sector and with partners

One Newham continued to host and support a number of networks, enabling voluntary, community, and faith sector groups to meet regularly, share learning, and collaborate on responses to the council and on joint bidding for grants and tenders. These networks include:

- Staywell Partnership – for older people
- Newham Youth Partnership
- Sustainable Newham / Newham Nature Network
- Homelessness Forum
- Disability Rep Forum / Residents United Forum (RUF)

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- Creative Newham
- Social Velcro
- Disability Arts
- Newham Law & Social Justice Collaborative
- Advice & Advocacy Forum

In 2024–25, we issued 12 newsletters and 18 essential member updates, keeping members informed about collaboration opportunities, funding and training. We held six major networking events, including a corporate volunteering session with ELBA, a health equity roundtable and a sector sustainability workshop.

2. Sector Voice and Advocacy

At our AGM in March 2025, members reaffirmed their vision for One Newham as a strong, independent voice for the sector. We continued to represent the sector at system-level forums, including the Integrated Care System Board (ICS) and the Centre for Health & Care Equity Delivery Group.

Key advocacy actions included:

- Regular dialogue with the Mayor of Newham and senior council officers.
- Formal submissions to consultations on community space provision, Green & Blue infrastructure and Newham Local Plan.
- Promotion of the Sector Manifesto, setting out nine ambitions for equity, inclusion and partnership.

The One Newham Conference (March 2025) brought together 200+ delegates under the theme “Take a Look, Take Pride, Take Action”. The event featured four thematic streams (Connecting Health & Wellbeing, Communities, Generations, and Places), eight workshops and a marketplace showcasing local projects. Feedback highlighted its role in strengthening collaboration and sector voice.

3. Health Equity and Community Health Initiatives

Building on the success of the Health Equity Pilot, One Newham deepened its role in tackling health inequalities:

- Health Equity Pilot: Continued delivery of the community-based adviser model, including a project highlight report, social media campaign to share the findings and two follow up workshops.
- Centre for Health & Care Equity: One Newham representatives contributed to strategy and delivery groups, shaping collaborative approaches to health equity and co-production. One

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Newham also hosts the Centre for Health & Care Equity's Knowledge Mobilisation Fellow, funded by Bart's Health.

- Newham Health Fair (2024): A borough-wide event attracting 100 participants, featuring stalls, talks, wellbeing workshops and sessions on health equity and funding.
- Breast Cancer Toolkit Working Group: One Newham set up a working group to co-develop culturally relevant resources to improve awareness and outcomes for Black African and Black Caribbean women.

Impact highlights:

- Over 50% of follow-up participants reported improved wellbeing and two-thirds felt more confident managing their health.
- Grassroots partnerships strengthened trust and access for communities with historically low engagement in health services.

4. Sustainability and Community Action

The Hidden Gems: Sustainable Newham project expanded biodiversity and community gardening initiatives across 25+ green spaces, engaging 600 residents in eco-workshops, seed-bombing and seasonal events.

One Newham also coordinated the second annual Green Fair, held at West Ham Park in May 2024, attracting over 2,000 visitors. The fair featured 70 stalls, repair cafés, biodiversity workshops, and a wellbeing zone offering Tai Chi and creative activities. This event strengthened community engagement and showcased local sustainability initiatives.

We successfully established the gazebo hire scheme, funded by People Powered Places, supporting 40+ community events across Newham.

Funding from Cory Group and Awards for All supported biodiversity activities, volunteer engagement and community-led sustainability projects.

c. Public benefit

The Board of Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE: REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR

Impact Summary 2024–25

- Health Equity: Produced highlight report from previous year and shared findings, including two workshops.

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- Sector Support: One Newham, in partnership with Aston Mansfield, was commissioned by the Council to deliver a Voluntary, Community and Faith Infrastructure Support Programme. 1,500 organisations mapped; nine workshops delivered; Digital Hub prototypes developed.
- Sustainability: 25+ green spaces activated; 600 residents engaged; 82% support Green Fair. Second annual Green Fair held at West Ham Park as part of its 100-year celebrations.
- Newham Community Fund: 33 grants awarded; 1,300 residents impacted; 60% diverse-led groups.

The trustees review the charity's aims, objectives, and activities each year. This report examines the charity's achievements and outcomes during the reporting period. The trustees report the success of each key activity and the benefits the charity has brought to the groups it is set up to help.

The review also helps the trustees ensure the charity's aims, objectives and activities remain focused on its stated purposes.

When reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and planning its future activities, the trustees have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. In particular, they consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

In each of these areas, One Newham, through our members, had a positive impact on the viability, sustainability and delivery potential of voluntary sector organisations and, through them, delivered improved services and outcomes for Newham residents.

Administering a Grants Programme, the Newham Community Fund

The Newham Community Fund, funded by Westfield Stratford City and match-funded by City Bridge Foundation, delivered:

- 21 small grants of up to £500.
- 12 Next Steps grants of up to £1,000.
- Free training on social media, marketing, and Health & Safety.
- 8 laptops donated to improve digital capacity.
- Impact: 1,300 residents directly supported, with over 60% of grants awarded to diverse-led organisations.

Quotes from grantees:

"Thanks to the Newham Community Fund, we have been able to improve the number of people we support."

The scheme ran two funding rounds in the year, offering up to £500 grants to small groups to improve their capacity. The grant enables One Newham to support groups with a yearly

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turnover of under £50,000. It provides funding for equipment, governance improvements, social media, and digital capabilities to groups that meet the published criteria.

The second-step grant scheme offered up to £1,000 in grants for groups previously receiving a Newham Community Fund grant and provided additional, tailored, and individualised support.

This included one-to-one mentoring to improve groups' governance and assistance to groups that would otherwise experience a barrier to applying due to lack of digital access, language, physical, or learning disability.

Grant decisions are made by a panel which includes a representative of a One Newham member with income above the qualification threshold and thereby ineligible to benefit from the scheme themselves, as well as an independent experienced grant administrator. Both these sector representatives receive fees to reimburse the time they contribute to the scheme's running. The panel also benefited from Westfield Stratford City representation. The second-step grant panel included a grant fund manager from the City Bridge Foundation.

Infrastructure Support and Digital Development:

As part of the VCFS Infrastructure Support Programme commissioned by London Borough of Newham, One Newham and Aston Mansfield delivered mapping of 1,500 organisations, nine capacity-building workshops and developed Digital Hub prototypes by the mid-project point in March 2025.

Future Priorities for 2025–26

- Grow membership to 500 organisations and maintain an interactive online membership map.
- Build new networks in children, health & wellbeing, and heritage.
- Strengthen relationships with LBN colleagues, including housing.
- Develop a work plan to address barriers faced by members.
- Continue the Newham Community Fund offering micro-grants.
- Launch a community resilience programme supported by London Resilience.
- Implement and maintain the Digital Hub as a one-stop shop for charities.
- Work regularly with the Interfaith Forum to address issues faced by faith leaders.
- Deliver the annual conference and regular networking events.
- Lobby London funders for sustainable funding for small charities.
- Partner with the Royal Docks Centre for Sustainability to support more members.
- Review the Sector Manifesto and conduct a needs assessment of members.
- Build feedback mechanisms to improve communication between members and the council.

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- Explore opportunities with the Centre for Health & Care Equity to leverage research for community funding.
- Secure continued funding for infrastructure and sustainability projects.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

a. Summary

Total income for the year was £162,508, with total expenditure of £107,111. This resulted in net receipts of £55,397. Restricted receipts accounted for approximately £137,856, while unrestricted receipts were £24,652. The closing cash balance at year-end was £98,545. £82,872 of this was restricted.

The surplus will support ongoing infrastructure development and sustainability projects in 2025–26.

Major Income Sources:

- City Bridge Foundation: £37,500
- Westfield Stratford City: £10,000
- LBN People Powered Places: £14,475
- LBN Health Equity: £39,756
- Cory Group: £7,500
- Awards for All: £17,125
- London City Airport: £6,200
- British Science Festival: £1,000

B. RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees aim to build reserves equivalent to three months' operating costs. Plans remain in place to build reserves to the required level. At 31 March 2025, unrestricted reserves stood at £15,673, which is an improvement on the previous year but remains short of the target.

C. GOING CONCERN

After making appropriate enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

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Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which consist of a receipts and payments account and a statement of assets and liabilities, prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records that show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity;
- safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are also responsible for preparing a Trustees' Annual Report which complies with the requirements of the Charities SORP (FRS 102), including providing a fair, balanced and understandable review of the charity's activities, achievements and financial position.

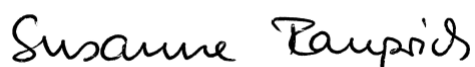
The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

INFORMATION ASSURANCE STATEMENT

The trustee board of One Newham oversees the information security of all personal information of staff, funders, members and strategic partners that is processed. The One Newham trustee board works to ensure the confidentiality, integrity and availability of all personal and sensitive data is maintained to a level which is compliant with the requirements of the UK General Data Protection Regulation and Data Protection Act 2018.

APPROVAL


This report was approved by the Trustees on 3 February 2026 and signed on its behalf by:




Susanne Rauprich
Chair, One Newham

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

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 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	ONE NEWHAM			No: 1181534		CC16a
	Receipts and payments accounts					
	For the period from	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025		
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						
Grants and donations	11,240	137,356	-	148,596	64,170	
Fee income	13,412	-	-	13,412	-	
Other income	-	500	-	500	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	24,652	137,856	-	162,508	64,170	
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).						
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	
Total receipts	24,652	137,856	-	162,508	64,170	
A3 Payments						
Fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	1,895	
CBF Voice Project	-	42,841	-	42,841	9,078	
Westfield Grant Scheme	-	10,278	-	10,278	17,740	
CBF Grant Scheme	-	4,650	-	4,650	8,850	
Residents United Forum	-	4,983	-	4,983	5,851	
Health Inequalities Project	-	2,724	-	2,724	60,000	
Sustainable Newham	-	4,850	-	4,850	4,883	
Other activities	11,804	-	-	11,804	3,705	
KMFellow	-	1,540	-	1,540	-	
People Powered Places	-	18,959	-	18,959	-	
Hidden Gems	-	4,483	-	4,483	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	11,804	95,308	-	107,111	112,002	
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)						
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	
Total payments	11,804	95,308	-	107,111	112,002	
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,848	42,548	-	55,397	- 47,832	
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,824	40,324	-	43,148	90,980	
Cash funds this year end	15,672	82,872	-	98,545	43,148	

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	CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	ONE NEWHAM No: 1181534	CC16a
	Receipts and payments accounts		
	For the period from	01/04/2024 To 31/03/2025	

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	Cash at bank	15,672	82,872	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	15,672	82,872	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent examination		720	
			-	

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

Name	Name
Susanne Rauprich	
Signature	Signature
