

BOLTON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

England & Wales · Charity number 1183206

Details

Other names	BOLTON CDP
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2019-05-01
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: TO DEVELOP THE CAPACITY AND SKILLS OF THE MEMBERS OF SOCIALLY OR ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES SO THAT THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY AND HELP MEET THEIR NEEDS AND TO PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN SOCIETY INCLUDING BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY WORKING WITH AND PROVIDING SUPPORT TO COMMUNITY GROUPS, INDIVIDUALS AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE NEEDS OF THE BENEFICIARIES CAN BE BETTER MET.

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-02	£63,189	£60,169	-	-
2024-05-02	£44,037	£41,907	-	-
2023-05-02	£30,473	£29,878	-	-
2022-05-02	£55,100	£52,800	-	-
2021-05-02	£52,395	£50,000	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANTHONY SHEPHERD	Chair	2016-03-05
FRANCIS JAMES HARTNELL		2017-03-04
Olasunkanmi Obideyi		2023-08-01

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Bolton CDP Annual Report 2025.

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2. Chairman Statement: A Message of Growth and Gratitude

This past year has been one of profound growth and quiet revolution for Bolton Community Development Partnership. We have moved beyond simply delivering services to nurturing genuine, community-led movements. We have deepened our commitment to our core belief: that the solutions to a community's challenges already exist within that community. Our job is simply to help unlock that potential.

The economic climate has remained challenging, particularly for the ethnic minority families we serve, many of whom face systemic barriers to mainstream support. Yet, in the face of these challenges, we have witnessed extraordinary resilience, creativity, and leadership from the people of Bolton. From young people finding their voice through our mentorship schemes to grandmothers preserving cherished cultural heritage, this report tells the story of that strength.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I extend my deepest gratitude to our incredible team, our dedicated volunteers, and our visionary funders and partners. Your belief in our approach makes this work possible. Together, we are not just delivering projects; we are building a more equitable, prosperous, and connected Bolton for everyone.

Tony Shepherd

Chairman, Bolton CDP

3. Our Mission, Vision, and Approach:

At Bolton CDP, our mission is simple but ambitious: to build strong, sustainably secure, prosperous, and healthy communities. We envision a society where **all** community members can make a valuable contribution which benefits everyone.

We achieve this by focusing on developing the capacity of ethnic minority community members to:

- I. Contribute positively to **leadership** at all levels of society.
- II. Play active roles in **entrepreneurship** to develop the local economy.
- III. Build confidence and access opportunities through **volunteering**.
- IV. Promote **health and wellbeing** through awareness and advocacy.
- V. Foster meaningful **engagement** with the wider community.

We achieve these objectives by:

- I. supporting members of ethnic minority to setting up and developing community groups
- II. Providing information, training, workshops, and advocacy
- III. Collaboration and partnership

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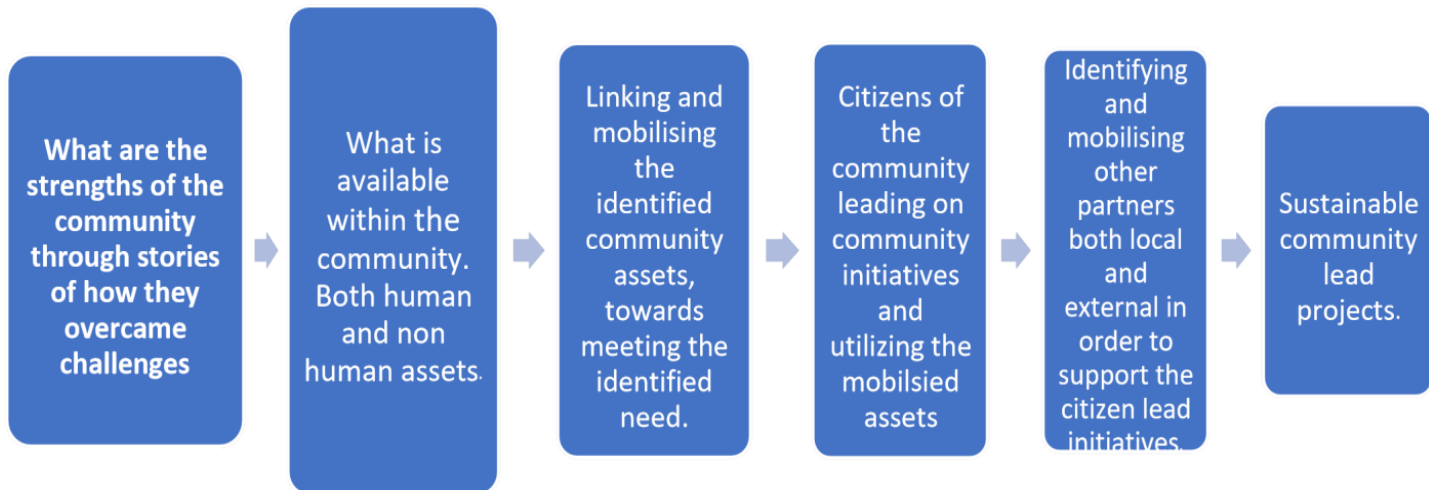
Our Methodology:

Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD)

What truly sets us apart is our unwavering commitment to **Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD)**. We do not see communities through a deficit lens, focusing on what is lacking. Instead, we identify and mobilise the existing, often hidden, assets: the skills of a young person, the lived experience of an elder, the connections within a faith group, the passion of a volunteer.

This year, we have embedded ABCD principles deeper than ever before. Every project, from our food support to our leadership programmes, is designed to build on these strengths, ensuring our work is not just a temporary fix, but a catalyst for lasting, sustainable change led by the community itself.

Utilising ABCD Principles to develop sustainable community led projects



What are community Asset?



4. Project Highlights and Impact Analysis:

This section provides a detailed look at our key projects over the period. For each, we outline our activities and, crucially, the deep social impact and strategic value they have generated.

4.1. Young Leaders Program (YLP): Cultivating the Next Generation of Decision-Makers

Recognising a gap in targeted support for young and aspiring community leaders, we launched and expanded our flagship **Young Leaders Program**. This initiative is designed to build a pipeline of confident, skilled, and connected leaders from Bolton's ethnic minority communities.

I. Activities:

- a) **Youth Circle:** This is a safe-space gatherings where over 40 young Africans who came together regularly. These sessions blended social connection over light refreshments with structured wellbeing activities and peer-to-peer support. It became a lifeline for many, reducing the acute isolation felt by young Africans new to the area or navigating cultural barriers especially those who came in as refugees.
- b) **Leadership & Governance Workshops:** We delivered practical workshops on topics such as "Understanding Board Governance," "Effective Public Speaking," and "community representation." These sessions demystified the structures of power and provided participants with the tools and confidence to engage with them.

II. Impact & Social Value:

- a) **Building a Supportive network of young and engaged leaders:** This circle has evolved into a self-sustaining peer network. Members now organise social meetups independently, demonstrating the project's sustainability and its success in fostering genuine social capital.
- b) **Creating a Pathway to benefiting the community:** This is our most tangible outcome. As a direct result of the programme:
 - **Some of the participants** are now actively leading on community projects that they could not do before due to lack of confidence.
- c) **Economic & Social Value:** The social value of diverse leadership is immense. By ensuring that public bodies reflect the communities they serve, we contribute to more equitable decision-making, more effective public services, and a stronger, more cohesive local democracy. This reduces the long-term costs associated with disengagement and social fragmentation.



4.2. Campaign for Active Citizenship: Changing the Face of Public Service

This strategic campaign directly addresses the under-representation of ethnic minorities in our public institutions, particularly the uniformed services (police, fire, NHS) and public boards.

I. Activities:

- a) **Targeted Workshops:** We held specialised sessions demystifying the recruitment processes for roles in Greater Manchester Police, North West Ambulance Service, and local NHS Trusts. We focused on practical skills like application form writing and interview techniques, addressing the specific anxieties and barriers faced by applicants from ethnic minority backgrounds.

- b) **Mentoring and Advocacy:** We provided one-to-one mentoring, connecting aspiring candidates with individuals already working within these services to provide insider knowledge and encouragement.

II. Impact & Social Value:

- a) **Building Institutional Trust:** Representation matters. When public services reflect the community's diversity, trust and engagement increase. Our campaign is a direct investment in community cohesion.
- b) **Measurable Outcomes:** We successfully supported over 15 individuals to apply for volunteer and paid positions within these services. While final recruitment numbers are at the discretion of the hiring bodies, the increase in applications from diverse candidates is a critical first step.
- c) **Creating Visible Role Models:** Those who have successfully gained positions now serve as powerful, visible role models, returning to our workshops to inspire the next cohort. This creates a virtuous cycle of aspiration and achievement.



4.3. Youth Mentorship and gambling/game addiction session: Building Resilience and Hope

Building on the success of our previous year's pilot, we significantly expanded this vital project, recognising the disproportionate impact of gambling-related harm on young people in our communities.

I. Activities:

- a) **Expanded School & Community Workshops:** We delivered 5 interactive workshops in community centres across Bolton and Manchester, reaching over 200 young people. Using role-play, real-life stories, and open discussion, we explored the psychology of gambling addiction, its financial and emotional consequences, and how to access support.

II. Impact & Social Value:

- a) **Early Intervention & Prevention:** By equipping young people with knowledge and critical thinking skills before harmful behaviours develop, this project acts as a powerful early intervention. The estimated long-term cost savings to public services (NHS mental health, debt advice, criminal justice) of preventing a single gambling addiction are significant.
- b) **Improved Wellbeing & Resilience:** Participant feedback consistently highlighted an increased sense of belonging and improved self-worth. The combination of mentorship and shared meals created a powerful sense of community and reduced feelings of isolation.
- c) **Community Safety:** The project provides a positive, structured activity, acting as a diversion from potential anti-social behaviour and contributing to a safer environment in Bolton and Manchester.



4.4. Creative Engagement through Arts and Sport: Wellbeing Beyond the Classroom

Our long-standing partnership with Love World Church and The Redeemed of the Lord Ministries Bolton, continues to thrive, demonstrating the power of universal languages like arts and sport to engage young people, particularly those from BAME backgrounds.

I. Activities:

- a) **Youth Sports Activities:** Weekly multi-sports sessions provided a constructive outlet for energy, teaching teamwork, discipline, and healthy competition.
- b) **Arts and Voice Training Workshops:** Professional musicians led workshops where young people learned about key, diction, and tonality. Beyond the technical skills, these sessions explored the scientifically proven mental and emotional benefits of singing and creative expression.

II. Impact & Social Value:

- a) **Holistic Wellbeing:** We measured a significant improvement in participants' self-reported mental and emotional health. Young people described feeling "happier," "more confident," and "more positive about the future." This directly contributes to our strategic goal of improving community wellbeing.
- b) **Skill Acquisition & Self-Esteem:** Participants gained tangible skills, from sports techniques to vocal control. This mastery experience is a powerful boost to self-esteem and provides a positive sense of identity and accomplishment.
- c) **Positive Diversion:** The project offers a consistent, safe, and positive alternative to negative influences, building social cohesion and contributing to community safety in the Halliwell area.



4.5. Grand Ma Cooking Project: Weaving Heritage, Bridging Generations

Funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, this project has become a beloved annual highlight, demonstrating the profound power of intergenerational connection and cultural preservation.

I. Activities:

- a) **Storytelling & Cooking Sessions:** A series of "tester sessions" brought together young African women in Bolton with elder "Grand Mams." As they cooked cherished traditional dishes, the Grand Mams shared their personal stories of migration, adaptation, and resilience, and how these journeys had transformed their relationship with familiar foods.

II. Impact & Social Value:

- a) **Preserving Intangible Cultural Heritage:** The project actively documents and transmits vital cultural knowledge—recipes, cooking techniques, and the powerful stories that give them meaning. This ensures this heritage is not lost but passed on to future generations.
- b) **Strengthening Intergenerational Bonds:** The sessions broke down barriers and stereotypes, creating profound, heartfelt connections between young and old. Participants spoke of a new-found respect and understanding for the challenges and triumphs of their elders.
- c) **Combatting Loneliness & Enhancing Wellbeing:** For the Grand Mams, the project provided a valued and respected role, directly combating social isolation and affirming their cultural knowledge and lived experience as a vital community asset.



4.6. Community Food Support: A Dignified Safety Net and a Gateway to Opportunity

We continued our essential partnership with Love World Church Bolton to provide dignified food support to families and individuals in crisis.

I. Activities:

- a) **Regular Food Parcel Distribution:** We provided regular emergency food parcels to over 120 households throughout the year. A key focus remains on reaching those with **no recourse to public funds**—a group often excluded from statutory support and particularly vulnerable to food poverty.

II. Impact & Social Value:

- a) **Immediate, Life-Sustaining Relief:** The food bank provides an essential safety net, preventing families from reaching absolute crisis point and ensuring children and adults have access to adequate nutrition.
- b) **A Gateway, Not Just a Parcel:** Critically, we view the food bank not as an endpoint, but as a **gateway to our wider services**. The trusting relationship built during food distribution allows us to sensitively signpost individuals to other Bolton CDP programmes, such as volunteering opportunities, wellbeing workshops, or our Young Leaders Program. This helps people move from a place of crisis towards one of stability, connection, and contribution.



5. The Power of People: Volunteering and Partnerships:

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Volunteering: This year, our work was powered by the dedication of **over 120 volunteers**. They contributed thousands of hours, from mentoring young people and cooking with Grand Mams to distributing food and helping with admin. They are not just helpers; they are the heart of our ABCD approach, embodying the community-led change we seek to create. Their contribution represents a significant social and economic value to Bolton.

Partnerships: We are deeply grateful for our diverse and growing network of partners. Your generous support and strategic collaboration allow us to extend our reach and deepen our impact. Together, we are reaching communities often described as "hard to reach" and demonstrating that collaboration is the key to sustainable change.

Our key partners this year included:

Bolton Council

Bolton CVS

University of Manchester

The National Lottery Community fund

Heritage lottery fund

Greater Manchester Combined Authority

Ground Works

GMCVO

Barrow Trust

Garfield Trust

Love world Bolton (Christ Embassy Bolton)

New Covenant Church Bolton

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6. Social Value & Strategic Impact: Our Contribution to Bolton

Beyond the individual project outcomes, Bolton CDP makes a strategic contribution to the priorities of Bolton and Greater Manchester. Our work delivers tangible social value by:

- I. **Reducing Demand on Public Services:** Our early intervention work in gambling awareness and youth mental wellbeing helps prevent issues from escalating, reducing future pressure on the NHS, social services, and the criminal justice system.
- II. **Strengthening the Local Economy:** By building confidence, leadership skills, and pathways to employment and governance, we are helping to create a more skilled and diverse local workforce and a more representative business and public sector leadership.
- III. **Building Social Cohesion and Resilience:** Projects like the Ladies' Circle, the Grand Ma Cooking project, and our intergenerational work actively build bridges within and between communities, creating the social fabric necessary for a resilient and cohesive Bolton.
- IV. **Giving Voice to the Underrepresented:** Our Campaign for Active Citizenship ensures that the voices and perspectives of ethnic minority communities are heard in the rooms where decisions are made, leading to fairer and more effective policies and services for everyone.

7. Looking Forward: Our Vision for 2026

As we look to the future, we are excited to build on this year's momentum. Our strategic priorities for the coming year are:

1. **Formalise the Young Leaders Program:** We will develop a structured, year-long curriculum for the YLP, incorporating accredited training modules and a formal mentorship matching programme.
2. **Launch a Community Asset Mapping Initiative:** We will dedicate resources to systematically identify and map the hidden skills, passions, and assets within our target communities, creating a "community gift catalogue" to further strengthen our ABCD approach.
3. **Develop an Enterprise and Employment Hub:** We will actively seek new partnerships and funding to launch a dedicated project supporting ethnic minority entrepreneurship and employment, providing tailored advice, mentoring, and access to networks.

8. Thank You: Our Supporters and Partners

Finally, we extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has supported Bolton CDP this year. To our funders, for your vision and trust. To our partners, for your collaboration and shared commitment. To our volunteers, for your passion and tireless energy. And most of all, to the residents of Bolton, for your resilience, your strength, and your willingness to lead the way.

Together, we are building a community where everyone belongs, and everyone can thrive.

Dr Oboh Achioyamen

Director

Bolton Community Development Partnership

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 02 MAY 2025

1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The Financial statements are prepared under the historic cost convention and include the results of the Charity's operations which are described in the Trustee's Report and all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the statement of recommended practice for Charity Accounts:

- a. Fixed assets retained for use by the organisation include: laptops purchased in 2024. These fixed assets are depreciated using the straight-line method of depreciation over a period of three years.

- b. Change in basis of accounting: Grants Receivable

Grants for immediate expenditure are accounted for when they become receivable. Grants received for specific purposes are treated as restricted funds.

Grants restricted to future accounting periods are deferred and recognised in those periods.

2. Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The standard constitution of the Charity requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs and of the surplus or deficit for the period. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records 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 hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Charity acknowledges receipt of grants from:

1. People's health trust	22730
2. Big lottery	20000.00
3. HLF	4509.00
4. Ground works	800.00
5. Bolton CVS	15150

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT FOR FYE 02 MAY 2025

Basis of independent examiner's report:

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement:

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

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or
- (2) 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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Ms. Elyse Bassagal

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FINANCIAL REPORTS FYE 02 MAY 2025

	BOLTON CDP			
INCOME (A)	2024-2025			
	£ Restricted Funds	£ Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024/2025	Total Funds 2023/2024
Grants	43,447.00	19,742.00	63,189.00	48,545.94
Donations		0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME (A)	43,447.00	19,742.00	63,189.00	48,545.94
EXPENDITURE (B)				
Rent and Rates	0.00	9,900.00	9,900.00	9,900.00
Workshops	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Sessional workers	16,800.00	790.00	17,590.00	11,764.00
Volunteers' expenses	1,000.00	1,800.00	2,800.00	3,620.00
Food Parcel Support	0.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	3,500.00
Youth programme activities	18,790.00	0.00	18,790.00	9,500.00
Training and skills development	4,500.00	0.00	4,500.00	3,300.00
Insurance	347.98	0.00	347.98	347.98
Consultancy/Overheads	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	43,437.98	18,990.00	62,427.98	48,431.98
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE	9.02	752.00	761.02	113.96
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	-	-		
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR YEAR	9.02	752.00	761.02	113.96
TOTAL FUNDS AT START OF YEAR	2,024.83	234.19	2,259.02	2,259.02
TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	2,033.85	986.19	3,020.04	2,372.98

BALANCE SHEET FYE 02 MAY 2025

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Tangible Fixed Assets	1,546.20	446.20
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Current Assets		
Cash at Bank/Hand	1,920.04	113.96
Other debtors	0.00	1,812.82
Total Current Assets	1,920.04	1,926.78
Ceditors due within one year	446.20	0.00
Net Assets	3,020.04	2,372.98
Funds of the Charity		
Restricted Funds	2,033.85	2,363.58
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Objective and Activities

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- play active roles and contribute positively to leadership opportunities at all levels of society.
- play active roles in entrepreneurship to develop local economy and raise local aspirations and wellbeing.
- develop confidence and access opportunities through volunteering.
- create awareness and advocacy to promote health and wellbeing of members of the ethnic minority groups.
- Enabling them to be engaged with the wider community.

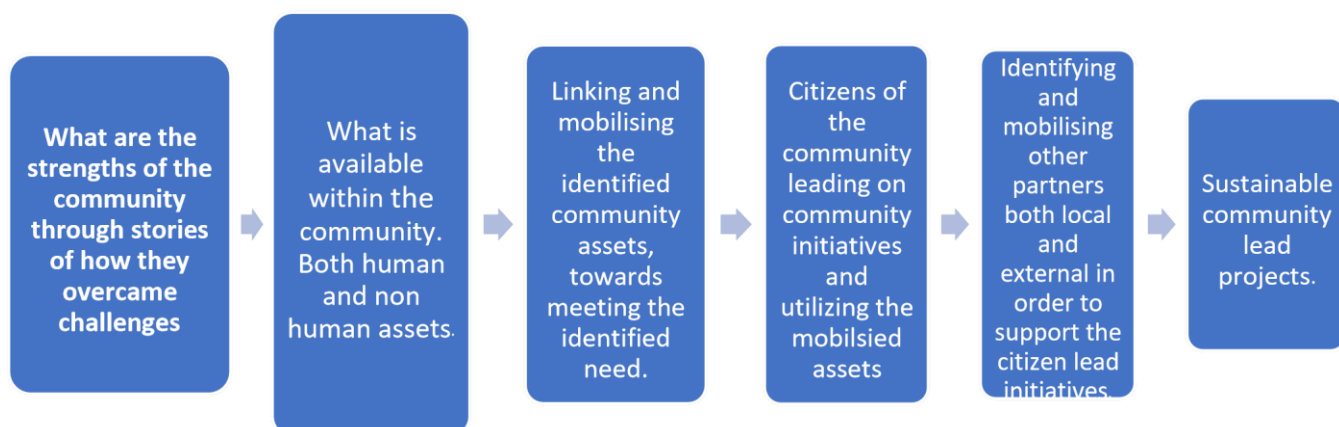
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	BOLTON CDP			
INCOME (A)	2023-2024			
	£ Restricted Funds	£ Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023/2024	Total Funds 2022/2023
Grants	44,036.54	4,509.40	48,545.94	45,884.00
Donations		0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME (A)	44,036.54	4,509.40	48,545.94	45,884.00
EXPENDITURE (B)				
Rent and Rates	9,900.00	0.00	9,900.00	4,000.00
Workshops	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Sessional workers	11,464.00	300.00	11,764.00	6,464.00
Volunteers' expenses	3,420.00	200.00	3,620.00	2,620.00
Food Parcel Support	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	500.00
Youth programme activities	9,500.00	0.00	9,500.00	1,500.00
Training and skills development	3,300.00	0.00	3,300.00	1,200.00
Insurance	347.98	0.00	347.98	247.98
Consultancy/Overheads	2,500.00	2,000.00	4,500.00	1,138.25
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	43,931.98	4,500.00	48,431.98	17,670.23
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE	104.56	9.40	113.96	28,213.77
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	-	-		
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR YEAR	104.56	9.40	113.96	28,213.77
TOTAL FUNDS AT START OF YEAR	2,024.83	234.19	2,259.02	2,259.02
TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	2,129.39	243.59	2,372.98	30,472.79

BALANCE SHEET FYE 02 May 2024

	2024	2023
Fixed Assets		
Tangible Fixed Assets	446.20	594.93
Total Tangible Fixed Assets	446.20	594.93
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank/Hand	113.96	1,993.86
Other debtors	1,812.82	27,884.00
Total Current Assets	1,926.78	29,877.86
Creditors due within one year	0.00	0.00
Net Assets	2,372.98	30,472.79
Funds of the Charity		
Restricted Funds	2,363.58	30,438.60
Unrestricted Funds	9.40	34.19
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT FOR FYE May 2024

Basis of independent examiner's report:

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement:

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

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or
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10/02/2025

Ms. Toya M. Berenger

Trained Accountant

Let's Bloom Together

Suite 20

St James's House

M6 5FW

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 2024

1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The Financial statements are prepared under the historic cost convention and include the results of the Charity's operations which are described in the Trustee's Report and all of which are continuing. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the statement of recommended practice for Charity Accounts:

- a. Fixed assets retained for use by the organisation include: laptops purchased in 2019. These fixed assets are depreciated using the straight-line method of depreciation over a period of three years.

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Grants for immediate expenditure are accounted for when they become receivable.

Grants received for specific purposes are treated as restricted funds.

Grants restricted to future accounting periods are deferred and recognised in those periods.

2. Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The standard constitution of the Charity requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs and of the surplus or deficit for the period. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records 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 hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Charity acknowledges receipt of grants from:

• PEOPLES HEALTH FROM PEOPLES HEALTH TRU	£11,366.00
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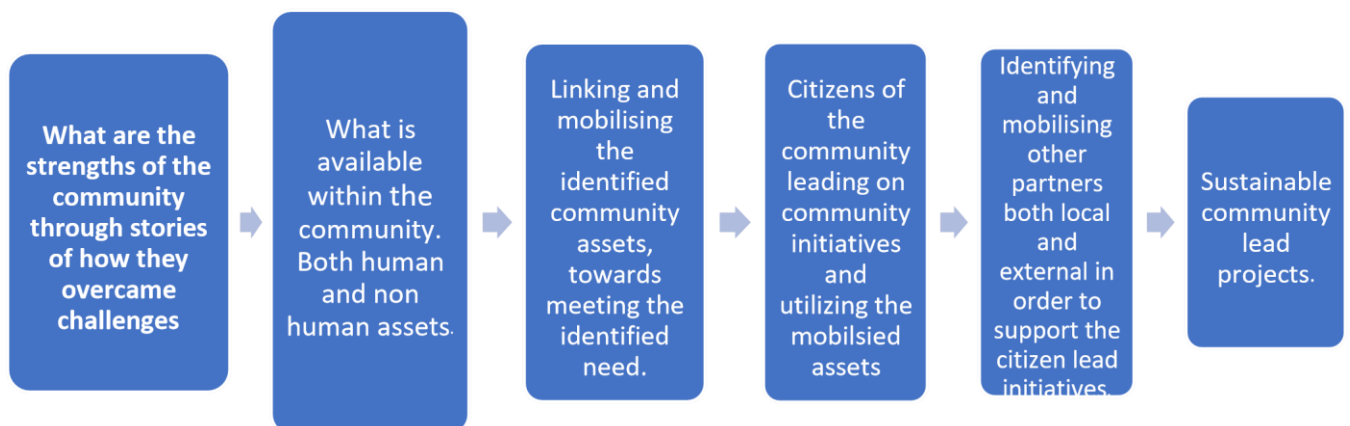
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Fixed Assets		
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Total Tangible Fixed Assets	594.93	126.58
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank/Hand	1,993.86	2,259.02
Other debtors	27,884.00	473.42
Total Current Assets	29,877.86	2,732.44
Creditors due within one year	0.00	600.00
Net Assets	30,472.79	2,259.02
Funds of the Charity		
Restricted Funds	30,438.60	2,024.83
Unrestricted Funds	34.19	234.19
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INCOME (A)	2022/2023			
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Training and skills development	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	6,000.00
Insurance	247.98	0.00	247.98	600.00
Consultancy/Overheads	1,138.25	0.00	1,138.25	500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	17,470.23	200.00	17,670.23	54,580.00
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE	28,413.77	-200.00	28,213.77	467.00
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For the Year Ended 30th May 2022

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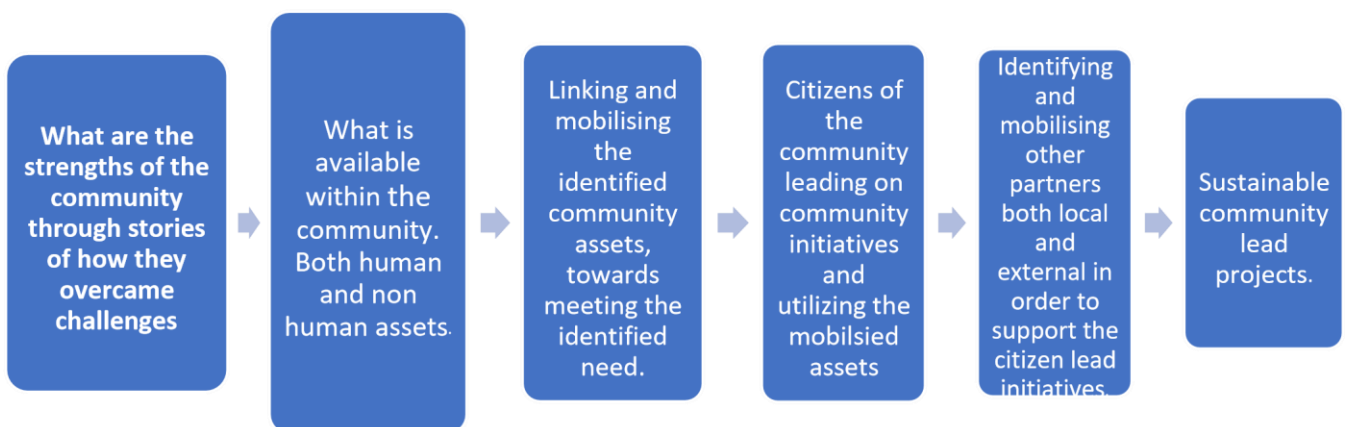
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Members of the ethnic minorities in Greater Manchester were worst hit by the pandemic due to the fact that the majority of them were not entitled to the benefits system coupled with the lockdowns placed severe economic, social and mental health pressures on them. They did not have access to support systems that they were used to like faith groups and their nationality groups this further worsened the situation which led to increased domestic abuse and poverty.

Bolton CDP was able to work with partner community associations and faith groups to develop projects that were designed to help reach out to members of ethnic minority groups in order to help minimise the negative impact of the pandemic and also to give them the courage to build towards post pandemic and most of all give them hope to build their confidence and enable them to integrate into their new community. These projects have been crucial and beneficial to so many members of the community.

A. Training program for young people in Farnworth Bolton

Bolton CDP is focused on empowering and building the capacity of the youth because we believe that they hold the key to our tomorrow. In order to achieve this we are currently working with our partners collaboratively to organize a series of regular training programs for young people. This program covers a wide variety of subject areas that are of interest to young people. The young people are leading by identifying where they would like to be supported and Bolton CDP works closely with partners able to bring these programs to reality. We have currently working with African young people in Farnworth Bolton for capacity training. It has been electrifying and exciting for young people.





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- Youths were able to overcome stage fright. Built and rebuilt their self-confidence, as those who were shy to face the audience, became more confident before the end of the event.
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C. Children Play Area in Bolton

Bolton CDP is actively involved with building the capacity of young people under 18 years of age. As part of our support, we work collaboratively with partners to utilise existing assets to build a support network for young people in our community focused on capacity building and aspiration for young people. One of the key steps is to have a community space where young people 10 years and below can meet with the support of their parents and teachers, to participate in activities.

Below was the original state of the play area in Bolton.



Before.



After.

D. Training Sessions for our Grandma Cooking Project

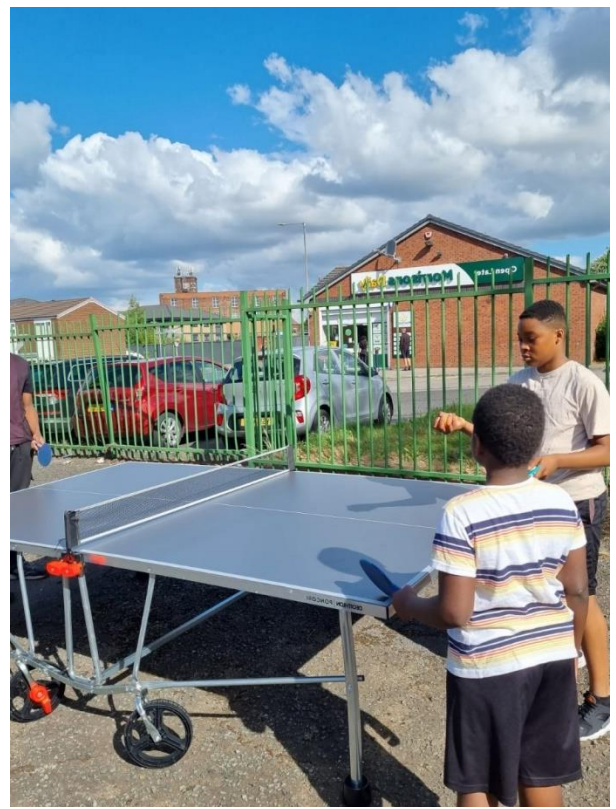
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F. Award from Manchester University Department of Public Health

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H. Community Celebration

Bolton CDP is focused on community engagement and as part of that, we work closely with various communities especially the ethnic minority communities across greater Manchester. We have the privilege of working with the Rwanda community of greater Manchester, to work on areas around capacity development and wellbeing. Bolton CDP supported organizing a community celebration that brought together members of the Rwanda community and other communities across greater Manchester. It was a great time for networking.



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Donations			0.00	369.64
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Workshops	10,500.00		10,500.00	3,850.00
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Youth programme activities	£9,980.00		9,980.00	12,800.00
Training and skills development	£6,000.00		6,000.00	2,655.45
Insurance	£600.00		600.00	200.00
Consultancy/Overheads	500		500.00	6,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	44,880.00	9,700.00	54,580.00	51,135.45
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE	167.00	300.00	467.00	1,629.19
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	-	-		
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR YEAR	167.00	300.00	467.00	1,629.19
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BALANCE SHEET FYE MARCH 2022		
	2022	2021
Fixed Assets		
Tangible Fixed Assets	126.58	167.02
Total Tangible Fixed Assets	126.58	167.02
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank/Hand	2259.02	1695
Other debtors	473.42	650
Total Current Assets	2732.44	2345
Ceditors due within one year	600	720
Net Assets	2259.02	1792.02
Funds of the Charity		
Resctricted Funds	2024.83	1792.02
Unrestricted Funds	234.19	0
	2259.02	1792.02

6. Independent examiner statement

Basis of independent examiner's report:

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement:

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

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or
- (2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



16/02/2023

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7. Note to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The Financial statements are prepared under the historic cost convention and include the results of the Charity's operations which are described in the Trustee's Report and all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the statement of recommended practice for Charity Accounts:

- a. Fixed assets retained for use by the organisation include: laptops purchased in 2019. These fixed assets are depreciated using the straight-line method of depreciation over a period of three years.
- b. Change in basis of accounting: Grants Receivable

Grants for immediate expenditure are accounted for when they become receivable.

Grants received for specific purposes are treated as restricted funds.

Grants restricted to future accounting periods are deferred and recognised in those periods.

2. Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The standard constitution of the Charity requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs and of the surplus or deficit for the period. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records 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 hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Charity acknowledges receipt of grants from:

- National Lottery Community Fund: £22500
- Garfield Weston: £10000
- Heritage Lottery Fund: £22547

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Reference and administrative details

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Registered Charity No: 1183206

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Domina Nirere

James Hartnell

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Objective and Activities

Bolton CDP is focused on developing capacity of members of ethnic minority in order to:

- play active roles and contribute positively to leadership opportunities at all levels of society;
- play active roles in entrepreneurship in order to develop local economy and raise local aspirations and wellbeing;
- develop confidence and access opportunities through volunteering;
- create awareness and advocacy to promote health and wellbeing of members of the ethnic minority groups.
- Enabling them to be engaged with the wider community.

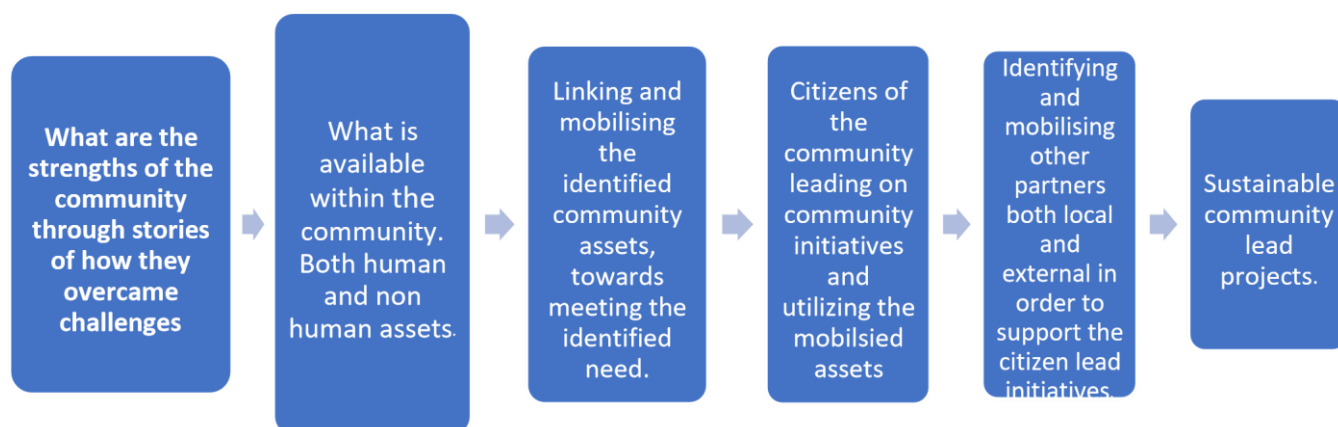
We achieve these objectives by:

- supporting members of ethnic minority to setting up and developing community groups
- Providing information, training, workshops, and advocacy
- Collaboration and partnership

When planning activities Bolton CDP had considered charity commission's guidance on public benefit.

How we do what we do:

Bolton CDP is dedicated to making sure that citizens are the center of community development. We achieve this by utilizing the principles of Asset Based Community Development (ABCD). The figure below shows how we utilize ABCD principles in carrying out our community engagement :



Utilising ABCD Principles to develop sustainable community led projects

What are the What components of community Assets



Achievement and Performance:

The year 2020 was indeed a year of enormous challenge for the whole world due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Every aspect of the society as we knew it was under threat both to lives and the means to sustain life. The world is still trying to manoeuvre her way out of the infection phase of the pandemic through lockdowns, social distancing and vaccination. After this phase will come the colossal challenge to rebuilding the lives and the economies of the world, with so many people out of jobs due to lockdowns and in some cases outright extinction of jobs requiring manual skills being replaced with artificial intelligence.

Members of the ethnic minorities in greater Manchester were worst hit by the pandemic due to the fact that majority of them were not entitled to the benefit system coupled to the lockdowns placed severe economic, social and mental health pressures on them. They did not have access to support systems that they were used to like faith groups and their nationality groups this further worsened the situation which led to increase in domestic abuses and poverty.

Bolton CDP was able to work with partner community associations and faith groups to develop projects that was designed to help reach out to members of the ethnic minority groups in order to help minimise the negative impact of the pandemic and to also give them courage to build towards post pandemic and most of all give them hope

Skills for Life Project

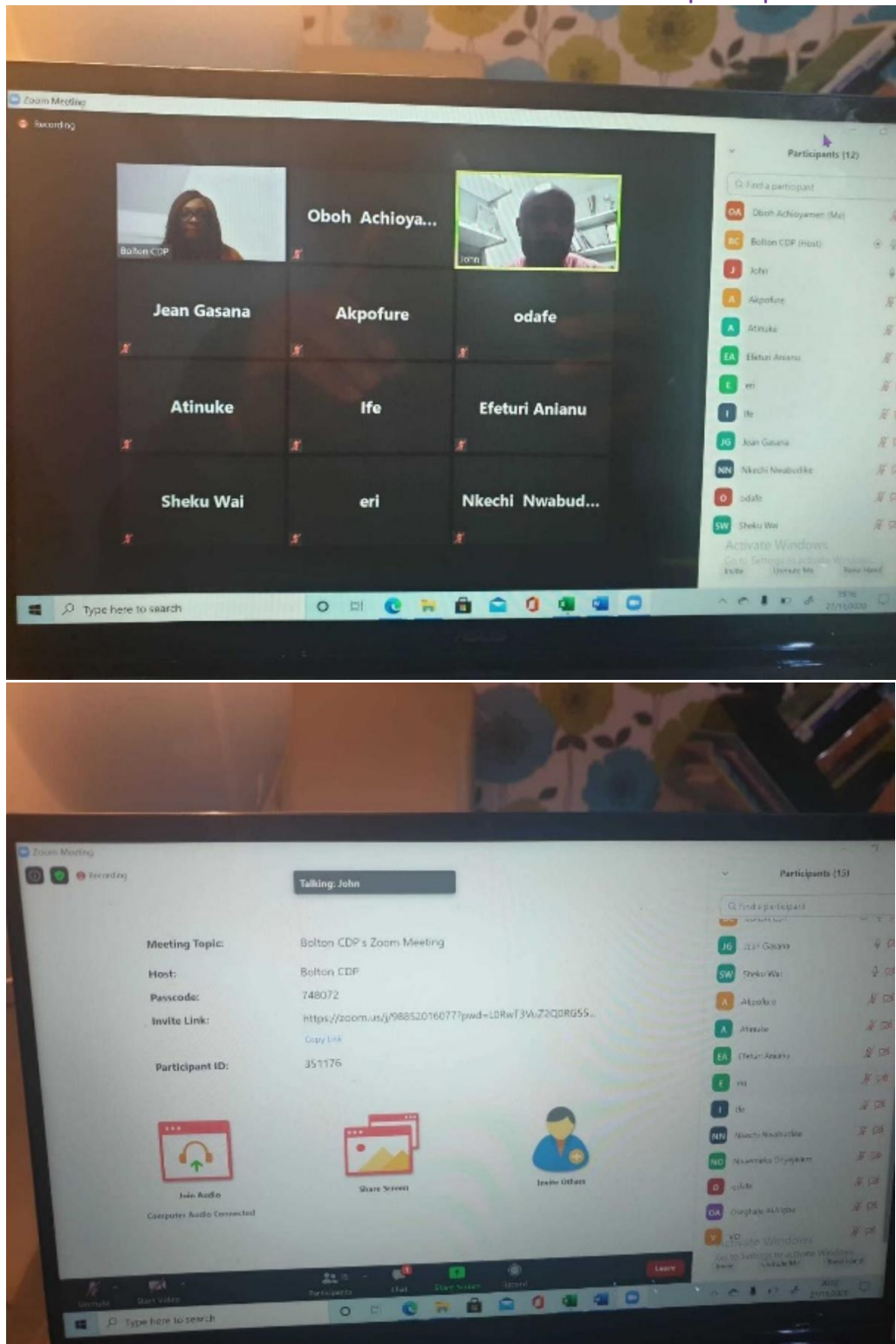
This project is aimed at the need for new migrants coming into Bolton, to learn new skills, to build their confidence and enable them to integrate into their new community. This project has been crucial during the pandemic because so many members of the community lost their jobs and some of them needed to learn new skills in order for them to get jobs that would enable them work from home so that they can be able to provide for their families.

Some of the projects done under the Skill for Life are:

1. Business Analysis Training Session for Self-Employment:

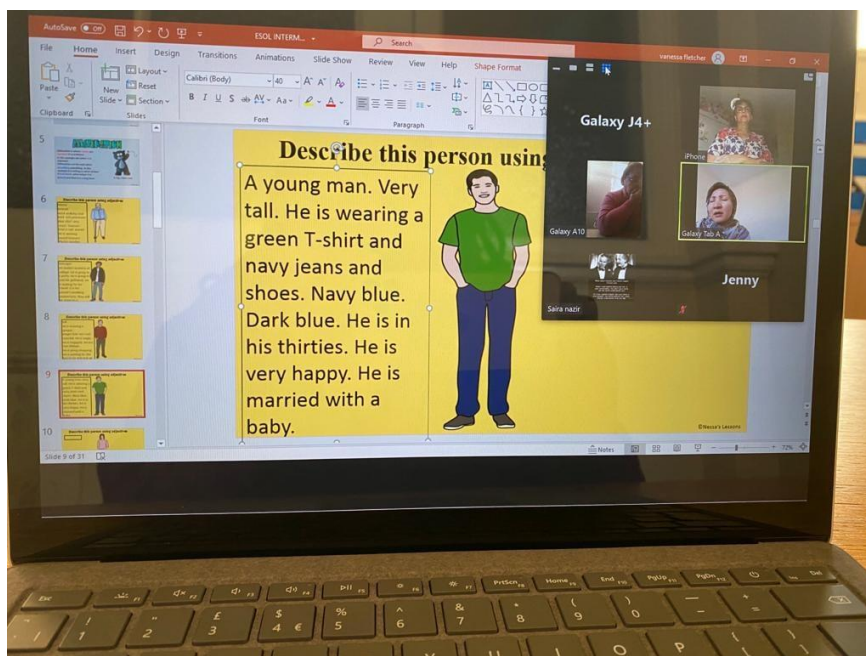
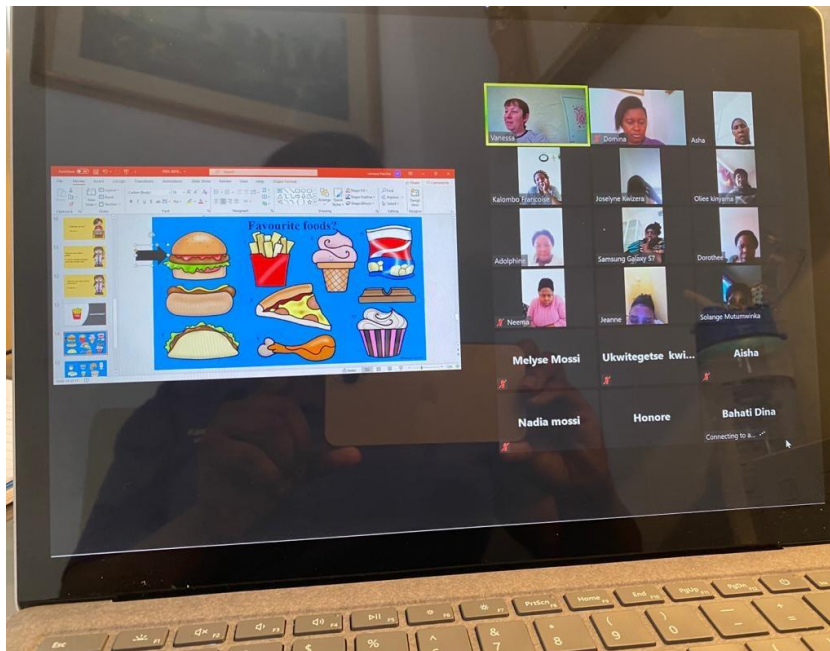
As a step to help retool members of the community so they can be able to learn new skills, Bolton CDP has been organising series of training sessions that will help residents acquire new skills like Business Analysis, Cyber security, Coding etc. It has been a richly rewarding sessions and participants have been very happy and are currently using their new skills to secure new jobs and most especially being self-employed.

We are most grateful to our partners especially the Community Fund for their support to making this a reality.



2. **ESOL and Spoken English sessions:** During the lockdowns as part of the skills for life project, Bolton CDP collaborated with other organisations to organise ESOL and Spoken English sessions for members of the ethnic minority groups who wanted to be able to speak English. They were mainly from refugee and asylum seekers background. These sessions were organised

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online. We are grateful to Precious Gems Charity and the Bolton College for the collaboration.



Youth mentorship program

Bolton CDP is focused on youth capacity development especially during the multiple lockdowns as a result of the current pandemic. The youth from our communities are very energetic and passionate to make a difference. We were able to engage them in our Youth Mentorship Program where they have had mentorship classes and also, they have access to mentors for one-to-one counselling and guidance.

This program has been very helpful in preventing the youths from engaging in negative vices due to a lack of productive activities to engage them.

We are grateful to our partners especially The Love world Bolton and the Community fund for their encouraging support and helping to make a difference in the lives of the participants.

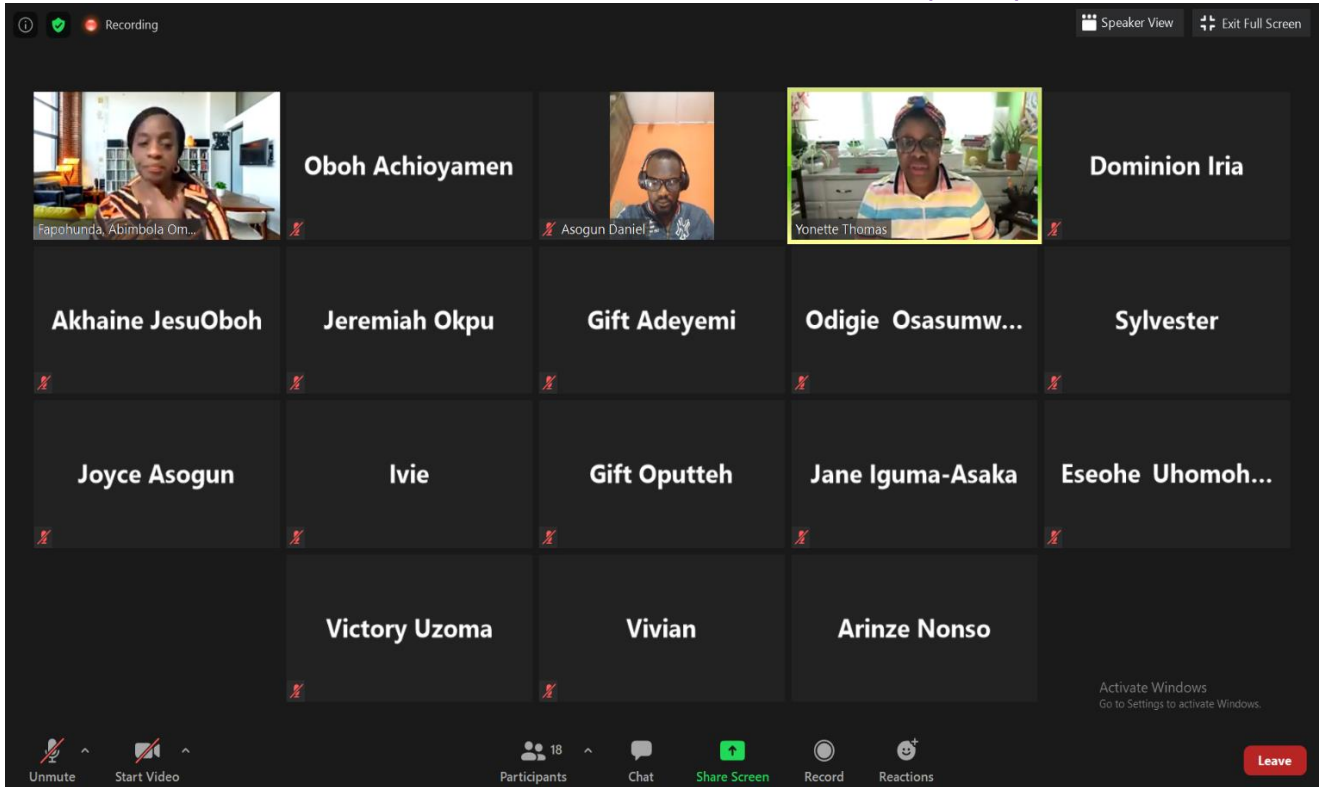




Young professionals' program

Bolton CDP has been working with various ethnic minority groups especially with the young people and one of the recurrent challenges they face was ability to access opportunities in leadership and also access to global organisations like the United Nation, World health and other global bodies. They feel they don't have the right connections and opportunities to access these places. So, Bolton CDP collaborated Dr Yonette Thomas, who is a renowned global health specialist with a strong history with global organisations mentioned above. She is also the founder and executive director of Urban Health 360 and global platform working with community organisation across the world also she is the executive director of Strategic Transition, an organisation aimed at mentoring executives for high level positions like university vice chancellors and other positions of leadership.

Although the pandemic led to lockdowns but it also gave people opportunity to connect globally through Zoom and other social media platforms. Bolton CDP collaborated with Strategic Transitions to organise an incubator program aimed at identifying young people aspiring not just to be professionals but also to be able to access these global organisations. This program is the initial pilot and it is a one-year program and will be ending December 2021. Currently we have a cohort of 18 young people actively involved in the program. They are given the opportunity to be taught and mentored by accomplished men and women in their various fields from Vice chancellor of an American university to people currently serving in the United nation. It has been a very exciting journey so far and we are looking forward to the young people demonstrating what they have learnt through their community-based projects they will be leading on.



Food Bank for The Community

During this pandemic we have witnessed families facing a lot of challenges from mental health issues to access to food because of loss of jobs or not being able to access benefits. Bolton CDP has set up a regular food bank program that helps to reach out to individuals and families within the community, so they can have access to at least a week's worth of shopping for them.

This has gone a long way to help alleviate the pressures they are experiencing. We would like to thank our partners, NCC Bolton and The Community fund for their support.



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REACH**

FREE non-perishable
grocery items
FREE drinks in a covid
secure & welcoming
environment



13th March 2020 12:00 - 14:30PM
Address: Brownlow Way BL1 3UB

In Partnership With:



Hot Meals for The Community

As part of our reaching out to members of the community during the lock down, we realised there were some members of the community that needed immediate hot meals and non-perishable foods. We made sure they got hot meals and supported them with non-perishables from our food bank. This made a huge difference to the recipients. We could not show pictures of the recipient due to privacy.

We want to thank the Community Fund for their continuous support.



Testimonies

Bolton CDP could not have been able to reach out and achieve her objectives without support of the community members. We work closely with other organisations, which is one of our key objectives. Below are some of testimonies of our work with the community of Bolton.





Volunteering

In the year 2020 Bolton CDP have been able to achieve its pillars of engaging the ethnic minority groups through leadership development, entrepreneurship and volunteering. Bolton CDP has had the privilege to work with dedicated and passionate volunteers to help make it all happen. We have had more than 100 volunteers to support with all the during the year.

Partnership and Collaboration

A big thank you to friends and partners of Bolton CDP for their generous and continued support. Together we are reaching hard to reach communities.

Our current partners are:

Bolton Council
Bolton CVS
University Of Manchester
Halliwell UCAN centre
Precious Gems
African Council UK
Pentecost Community Association
Big Lottery
Urban health 360
Strategic Transitions
Christ Embassy Bolton
New Covenant church Bolton
Forever Manchester
Manchester Council
Barrow Cadbury Trust
National Lottery Community Fund.
Ground Works
GMCVO
Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA)

Bolton CDP

INCOME (A)	2019/2020			
	£ Restricted Funds	£ Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2019/2020	Total Funds 2018/2019
Grants	25,875.00	26520	52,395.00	11,745.61
Donations	0	369.64	369.64	1,129.53
TOTAL INCOME (A)	25,875.00	26,889.64	52,764.64	12,875.14
EXPENDITURE (B)				
Rent and Rates	5,280.00		5,280.00	1,000.00
Workshops	3,850.00		3,850.00	2,420.00
Sessional workers	£3,000.00		3,000.00	4,880.00
Volunteers' expenses	2,150.00		2,150.00	1,212.31
Food Parcel Support	£3,200.00	12000	15,200.00	
Youth programme activities	£3,000.00	9800	12,800.00	2,000.00
Volunteers' expenses	£1,000.00	1655.45	2,655.45	
Insurance	£200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Consultancy	2500	3,500.00	6,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	24,180.00	26,955.45	51,135.45	12,712.31
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE	1,695.00	-65.81	1,629.19	162.83
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	-	-		-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR YEAR	1,695.00	-65.81	1,629.19	162.83
TOTAL FUNDS AT START OF YEAR	162.83	0.00	162.83	0.00
TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	2,070.00	1,250.00	3,320.00	162.83

BALANCE SHEET END OF MARCH 2020

	2020		2020		2019		2019	
					£0'000		£0'000	
FIXED ASSETS								
Tangible Fixed Assets			0				0	
CURRENT ASSETS								
Debtors		650			0.00			
Cash in Hand and at Bank		0		1695	162.83			
			2345		162.83			
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year		720			0.00			
Net Current Assets		1625			162.83			
Net Assets			3320		162.83			
Accumulated Funds								
Unrestricted	2070				0.00	162.83		
Restricted		1250				0.00		
	3320				162.83			

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Basis of independent examiner's report:

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. 27/08/2021

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2020

1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

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They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

3. Grants received are recorded as restricted fund. The Charity received funding from:

The National Lottery: £10.000

Forever Manchester: £10.000

Groundwork/Comic Relief: £4000

Barrow Cadbury Trust: £3200

Local Giving: £500

Power for Change: £9175

GMCA: £12520

GMCVO: £3000