

OPEN AERIAL

England & Wales - Charity number 1186538

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2019-11-22

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION IN PARTICULAR BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR AERIAL SPORTS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SILKS, HOOPS AND TRAPEZE.

Activities: OpenAerial - making aerial accessible to a wide range of people.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Southwark

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£486	£75	-	-
2024-03-31	£3,181	£61	-	-
2023-03-31	£2,520	£0	-	-
2022-03-31	£0	£0	-	-
2021-03-31	£3,627	£3,622	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Edel Wigan	Chair	2019-03-29
ELLA KING BEARD		2019-03-29
Edel Wigan		2019-03-29
Yasmin Tara Strong		2019-03-29

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Annual Report and Accounts
1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

Trustees' Annual Report

Objectives and Activities

Open Aerial is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) established to make aerial arts accessible to all. The charity aims to provide opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience and participate in aerial arts, promoting health, confidence, and creativity.

Achievements and Performance

During the year, the charity's focus was on building its fundraising base and ensuring compliance with Charity Commission requirements. Income was received primarily through online fundraising platforms such as JustGiving and Charities Trust. No charitable expenditure was made during the financial year as the trustees are building reserves to support future activities and programmes.

Financial Review

The charity's total income for the year was £486.82, with expenditure of £75.00 (bank charges). This resulted in a net increase of £411.82 in funds. The year-end closing bank balance as at 31 March 2025 was £5,939.00.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were:

Edel Wigan

Ella King

Yasmin Strong

Receipts & Payments Account

Receipts

Donations / fundraising	£486.82
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Other income	
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Total Receipts	£486.82
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Payments

Bank charges	£75.00
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Charitable activities / other costs	–
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Total Payments	£75.00
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Net movement in funds:	+£411.82
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Cash at bank carried forward: £5,939.00

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Bank balance at 31 March 2025: £5,939.00

Other assets: None

Liabilities: None

Trustees' Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' annual report and accounts.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Edel Wigan

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Trustee

Date: 14th September 2025

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OPEN AERIAL ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

1 April 2023 - 31 March 2024

Report written by Trustee Edel Wigan. And approved by Christopher Wigan, Ella King and Yasmin Strong.

This year we were successful with a funding initiative through Peckham Settlement. We have planned a course for deaf and blind people and are planning a more extensive programme of events for this year.

Money received: £3181

Money spent: £61 on bank charges

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1 April 2022 - 31 March 2023

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This year we were successful with a funding initiative through Access Sport Sispan to run a project for disabled or visually impaired individuals. We are looking forward to running this project in the next financial year.

Money received: 2520

Money spent: £0

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1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022

Report written by Trustee Edel Wigan. And approved by Christopher Wigan, Ella King and Yasmin Strong.

This year we didnt receive any funding or run any projects. It is proposed that we look into future funding from the Peckham Settlement Fund. And/or The Peckham neighbourhood fund.

Money received: 0

Money spent: £0

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Trustees' annual report for the period



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Period start date Period end date

Charity name

Charity No (if any)

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The provision of aerial sport including but not limited to kites, hang & paragliders.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	To provide workshops for participants who might not otherwise get a chance to try aerial.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We can confirm this.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	We received one grant from the Peckham Settlement for £3625 and used it to fund two projects with local groups.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have achieved the successful completion of 2 projects against our objectives.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

	SORP reference	
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	We were successfully able to use the grant we received.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We don't hold any reserves
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	The grant was to be used to provide a service which we have done.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	SORP reference	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO - Foundation
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointment by resolution at a Trustees meeting taking into account skills, knowledge & experience.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Open Arsenal
Other name the charity uses	£
Registered charity number	1186538
Charity's principal address	61 South Park Rd, SW19 8RT

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	Edel Wigan	Chair	1/04/20 - 31/03/21	
2	Christopher Wigan	Trustee	1/1	
3	Ella Beard	Trustee	1/1	
4	Yasmin Strong	Trustee	1/1	
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Reference and Administrative details

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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Edel Wigan

Full name(s)

Edel Wigan

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

18/01/22

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1 April 2020 - 31 March 2021

Report written by Trustee Edel Wigan. And approved by Christopher Wigan, Ella King and Yasmin Strong.

This year we were finally able to run the projects planned and funded by the £3625 gratefully from the PECKHAM SETTLEMENT FUND.

Money received: £3625

Money spent: £3623

We were able to run 2 projects with the money.

PROJECT 1: Cherry Garden School Sessions

Contact: Simon Wright simon@cherrygardenschool.co.uk

2 sessions per week with 2 separate groups of 5 children with profound and difficult learning difficulties.

Times:

Session 1- 9.55-10.40

Session 2- 10.45-11.30

Dates:

May 24th,

June 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

Monies spent:

Expense	Description	Fee
Trainers	23 per session x 2 trainers x 10	460
Extra Trainers	23 per session x 1 (vicky) X2 (Laura)	69
Studio hire	£58.80 per hour x 2.5 =147 x 10 weeks	1470
Total		1999

One of the trustees of the Peckham Settlement came and made a film of the project for us to use for them to showcase the project and for us to use when looking for future funding.

Project 2: Collaboration with the Girls Network and Harris Academy

Contact: chloe@thegirlsnetwork.org.uk

Times and dates: Monday afternoons, 5 - 6pm. 8th Nov to 13th December 2021

Monies spent:

Expense	Description	Fee
Trainers	27 per session x 2 trainers x 6	324
Studio hire	£200 per session x 6 weeks	1200
Videographer/ photographer	£120 x 1/2 day	100
Total		1624

We have also made a short film documenting the girls in action to use for future promotion of the charity and for funding applications.

We got excellent feedback from both organisations and both have expressed interest in working with us in the future.

Edel is currently in talks with Cherry Gardens to run another project with a small group of their students.

In total, we made full use of the PEckham Grant Settlement fund this year.