



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	14	02	2020		31	03	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Edible Rotherhithe C.I.O.

Other names charity is known by

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Registered charity number (if any)

1187980

Charity's principal address

5 George Elliston House

Avondale Square, Old Kent Road

London

Postcode

SE1 5ET

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	Robert Jamieson	Chair		-
2	Christina Nilsen	Founder		-
3	Isabella Adamec	Secretary		-
4	Matthew Allgood	Treasurer		-
5	Hester Buck	Volunteer Project Manager		-

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)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed by the Constitution to serve particular terms.

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.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

- (1) To advance the education for the public benefit of persons living in the London Borough of Southwark on the subjects of horticulture and arts and crafts in such ways as the charity trustees think fit.
(2) To help young people, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, so as to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

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)

Main activities undertaken for the public benefit:

Edible Rotherhithe was registered as a charitable incorporated organisation (no. 1187980) on 14 February 2020. Its registration as a Community Interest Company was closed by Companies House on 11 February 2020, to enable charity registration with the Charity Commission. The Trustees are satisfied that the charity's work is undertaken with regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Edible Rotherhithe operated weekly food growing and gardening clubs for children and young people at Surrey Square School during February and early March 2020. However the covid-19 lockdowns and restrictions in 2020-21 required face to face delivery to be suspended, until it was safe to resume in April 2021.

Between August and September 2020, Edible Rotherhithe successfully created a new edible garden, green wall and mini orchard at Surrey Square School funded by Southwark Council's Cleaner Greener Safer Programme 2020/21. This included improvements to the existing garden area and raised beds decking, new fruit trees and bushes, and improvements to the 18 ft x 16 ft polytunnel tuition space including a new watering system, hot bin composter and picket fencing to protect the facility from pests. The works were delivered using a local gardening contractor supervised by Edible Rotherhithe and we also partnered with Good Gym Southwark whose volunteers assisted with moving and topping up soil in the raised beds and in the polytunnel, enabling further planting.

During the year, Edible Rotherhithe conducted weekly maintenance of planting in polytunnel tuition space, raised beds and garden area.

During the covid-19 lockdowns, Edible Rotherhithe connected sheltered housing residents with local food providers so that older people had healthy meals and shopping delivered to their door. Edible Rotherhithe also arranged delivery of 'Eat Them to Defeat Them' Veg Power books to children and young people prior to the Autumn 2020 half term. The charity also received a small bursary from Capital Growth Sustain Alliance to provide planting up kits which were donated to local families.

Edible Rotherhithe launched its new website: <https://ediblerotherhithe.org.uk> and developed a range of hand printed donor rewards such as aprons, tote bags tea towels and cards.

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.

Edible Rotherhithe is a volunteer run charity. Its after school clubs and workshops are delivered free of charge and weekly maintenance of the polytunnel and garden space is carried out by Edible Rotherhithe volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Main achievements of the year:

New edible garden, green wall and mini orchard:

- Overall 150 ft of new safe green growing space has been created benefitting up to 500 children.
- 4 old, small and unused raised beds were replaced with 2 extra-large raised beds with safe step decking which all 500 children at Surrey Square School can use for tending the vegetables, relaxing and listening to stories and sounds of nature. The extra-large raised beds enable groups to work safely and observe safe social distancing; and doubles as a new seating area. Netting was installed on the top of the raised beds to prevent pests digging up the vegetables.
- 5 different species of apple trees, 5 blueberry bushes, 1 redcurrant bush, 1 whitecurrant bush, 10 mature lavender plants, 5 strawberry fields bushes and 435 vegetables and herbs planted. The new trees, bushes and planting have visual tags containing growing information, pictures and (where relevant) a country of origin flag. The tags will provide nature activities for the schoolchildren. The orchard helps to screen a large part of the School fence to onlookers and improves air quality. The lavender plants near the polytunnel will attract bees increasing biodiversity in the School grounds and will also supply lavender for the after-school clubs to make lavender bags.
- The installation of a hot bin composter by the polytunnel has enabled recycling of garden and kitchen food waste.

After school food growing and gardening clubs:

- 30 children and young people attended the after school clubs in February and March 2020 (around 10 per week). Following suspension due to covid-19 lockdowns and restrictions, the weekly clubs will resume in April 2021.

Healthy eating books and growing kits:

- 500 Eat Them to Defeat Them Veg Power Books donated to children.
- 120 Capital Growth Sustain Alliance vegetable growing (planting up) kits donated to local families.
- Around 70 sheltered housing residents connected with local food providers for deliveries of weekly meals and provisions during the national lockdowns and restrictions.

Partnerships:

- We were delighted to partner with Good Gym Southwark volunteers on the edible garden project, and local food providers during the lockdown. We are active member of the Southwark Food Action Alliance and Walworth Community Gardening Network.

Plans for future years:

- In financial year 2021-22, Edible Rotherhithe will re-commence the after-school clubs at Surrey Square School

and at another School in LB Southwark.

- Further grants secured from Southwark Council Neighbourhoods Fund 2020/21 and Groundwork Tesco Bags of Help will be delivered in 2021/22.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's trustees review reserve levels at board meetings, normally held once a month. The board of trustees are satisfied that the level of reserves are sufficient to meet the charity's ongoing operations.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

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.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	ROBERT JAMIESON	
Full name(s)	Robert Jamieson	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	18/09/2021	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Edible Rotherhithe C.I.O.

No (if any)
1187980

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

14/02/2020

To

31/03/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	2,900	-	-	2,900	-
Gift Aid	300	-	-	300	-
Grants	-	10,091	-	10,091	-
Other receipts: funds transfer from Edible Rotherhithe C.I.C.	483	941	-	1,425	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,683	11,032	-	14,715	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,683	11,032	-	14,715	-
A3 Payments					
Equipment, materials and tools	-	6,500	-	6,500	-
Organisation running costs: website domain, hosting	-	44	-	44	-
Insurance	-	89	-	89	-
Office costs: email account, postage, cloud storage	116	21	-	138	-
Volunteers expenses	18	40	-	58	-
Fundraising costs	454	133	-	587	-
Marketing costs: website	-	500	-	500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	588	7,328	-	7,916	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	588	7,328	-	7,916	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,095	3,705	-	6,799	-
A5 Transfers between funds	5	5	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	3,099	3,700	-	6,799	-

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	3,099	3,700	-
	Petty cash	0	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,099	3,700	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Gift Aid due	12	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	Donor rewards merchandise (approximate value)	Unrestricted	-	800
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Matthew Allgood	MATTHEW ALLGOOD	11.09.2021	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Edible Rotherhithe

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1187980

Set out on pages

Attached

(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 31/03/2021.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an independent examination is not required under section 145(1) of the Act, however the trustees have requested independent examination as best practice.

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 all 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 in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report 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:

26/08/2021

Name:

UPPAL PATEL

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

ACCA.

Address:	4 Molwell Place
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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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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