



Trustees' annual report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	31	03	2022		31	03	2023

Reference and administration details

Charity name	<i>Sudanese Community in and Portsmouth</i>		
Other names charity is known by	<i>SCIP</i>		
Registered charity number (if any)	<i>1190685</i>		
Charity's principal address	<i>Flat 85</i>		
	<i>Crown Court, Crown Street</i>		
	<i>Portsmouth</i>		
	Postcode	<i>PO1 1QW</i>	

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	Mukhtar Yousif HAGAR	<i>Chair</i>		
2	Bakhit Ismail Mohamed			
3	Osman Ibrahim Fadlalla			

Names and addresses of advisors (Optional information)

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

Abdelhaliem Abu-Gusseisa, Brahim Djibrine, Tarig Ahmed and Wisal Obied

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity’s trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 12 September 2019
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in July

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <p>Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees</p> <p>The charity’s organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works</p> <p>Relationship with any related parties</p> <p>Trustees’ consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them</p>	<p>Membership of the organisation is open to all people from Sudanese origin who reside in Portsmouth locality and its surroundings. The trustees oversee the day to day running of the community group. The trustees seek the views of members.</p> <p>There is a child protection policy in place. Criminal Records Bureau checks are carried out prior to commencement of volunteering or trusteeship and checks are carried out again in line with statutory requirements.</p> <p>SCIP is partnered with The Sudanese Community School in Portsmouth with whom we jointly undertake some activities which aimed to help children and youths such as Homework Club and skills sessions.</p> <p>All trustees give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits.</p>
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Objectives and activities

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

To promote the advancement of citizenship and community development for the public benefit by working with people in and around Portsmouth who are socially excluded on the grounds of their ethnic origin, religion, belief or creed, in particular members of the Sudanese community, to relieve the needs of such people and assist them to integrate into society.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

The main activities are as follows:

- *Awards evening*
- *Sudanese Cultural day*
- *Partnership and collaboration with other community groups and local authority to bring communities together.*

These activities benefit members their self-confidence and social skills, bringing communities together, address issues of isolations, social inclusion and integration in society.

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

We are grateful for the many hours volunteers, including member volunteers, have spent delivering our activities. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would not have been able to achieve so much.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year.

Awards evening:

The Sudanese Community Awards Evening for Young People was an opportunity for bringing together members of the Sudanese community to celebrate and recognise the achievements of outstanding young individuals. The event aimed to honour their contributions to the community, highlight their academic accomplishments, and inspire others.

The awards were distributed across various categories, acknowledging achievements in academics, community service, culture, and leadership. Each category aimed to showcase the diverse talents and contributions of the Sudanese youth.

The Sudanese Community Awards Evening for Young People was a resounding success, providing a platform to honour and celebrate the accomplishments of the youth. The event not only recognised individual achievements but also strengthened community bonds and inspired the next generation to strive for excellence in various fields. The positive impact of this evening is expected to resonate within the Sudanese community for years to come.

Sudanese Culture day:

The Sudanese Culture Event held in the summer at Buckland Community Centre was a vibrant celebration of Sudanese heritage, bringing together community members and enthusiasts to showcase the rich cultural tapestry of Sudan. The event aimed to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of Sudanese traditions, art, music, and cuisine as well as raising funds for medical aids in support of Sudan Doctors' UK efforts for providing medical reliefs to Sudan.

The event featured a vibrant display of Sudanese art and crafts, face painting, sculptures, and traditional handcrafted items provided insights into the history, customs, and traditions of Sudan.

Live performances of traditional Sudanese music and dance captivated the audience. Different regions and ethnic groups were represented, highlighting the diversity of Sudanese musical and dance traditions.

A food festival showcased the richness of Sudanese cuisine, offering a variety of traditional dishes. Attendees had the chance to savour flavours from different regions of Sudan, promoting a culinary journey through the country.

The Sudanese Culture Event successfully brought together the community to celebrate, educate, and promote the diverse cultural heritage of Sudan. Through a variety of engaging activities, attendees gained a deeper appreciation for Sudanese traditions, fostering a sense of pride and unity within the community. The event's success is a testament to the importance of preserving and sharing cultural heritage in a globalised world.

The cultural day also raised £1401 for medical aids initiative in Sudan led by Sudan Doctors' UK. A representative of Sudan Doctors in the UK shared insights into the current healthcare landscape and the impact of the funds raised. Their speeches emphasised the urgency and importance of supporting medical aid initiatives.

Stephan Morgan MP was one of most distinguished guest who attended the event and gave an influential speech.

The event not only raised funds but also increased awareness about the healthcare challenges faced by the Sudanese population. The success of this fundraiser serves as a testament to the compassion and generosity of the community, making a significant impact on the ongoing medical aids efforts in Sudan.

Ramadan Gathering

Weekly Iftar, the gathering to break the fast, held every Saturday throughout the holy month of Ramadan at St Lukes Church which has significance effect in strengthening community bonds and promoting unity during this sacred month.

The Iftar gathering was a tremendous show of real community spirit and fantastic sense of togetherness. they shared dishes, ate and prayed together, and discussed issues affecting the community.

The Eid Celebration BBQ celebration held at the end of Ramadan. It was a resounding success, bringing together people from different backgrounds to celebrate the joyous occasion. The combination of delicious food, engaging activities, and a warm sense of community made it an event to be cherished and remembered.

The diverse group of attendees reflected the multicultural nature of the community, emphasising the universal theme of unity during Eid.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Cash at bank at the end of financial year was £2095.57 in unrestricted funds.

The funds are held to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur.

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.

Our main source of funds this year has been members contribution, donations and fundraising event.

We use general funds to meet the cost for activities programs focused on young people, skills sessions for newly arrived refugees and social inclusion activities.

Other optional information

Future Plans

The coming year will see a continued emphasis on youths, children new commers projects. We also aim to devise special programs for women by means of training and skills sessions.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	B Mohamed	
Full name(s)	Bakhit Ismail Mohamed	
Position (eg secretary, chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	5 Feb 2024	



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

Sudanese Community in and Around Portsmouth

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2023

Attached

Budget report attached

**Responsibilities
and basis of
report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under s145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s145(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 which gives me cause to **believe** that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed *B I Mohamed*

Name: Bashir Mohamed

Date: 12 Jan 2024

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

Bsc Accounting

Sudanese Community in and around Portsmouth

Date: 5 Feb 2024

Budget Report

March 2022 – March 2023

Revenue and expenditure statement

A	Revenue	
1	Members contribution	£1920.00
2	Donations	£5124.60
3	Fundraising	£1401.00
Total		<u>£8445.60</u>
B	Expense	
1	BBQ for Eid celebration	£1581.87
2	Transport to London	£367.75
3	Humanitarian aids for displaced people in and around Al Geneina	£1170.00
4	Medical aids for Sudan through Sudan Doctors' Union UK	£1401.00
5	Web hosting	£55.07
6	Venue hiring	£715.96
7	Awards evening expenses	£140.92
8	Ramadan gathering expenses	£107.79
Total		<u>£5540.33</u>
Balance at the end of financial year (A – B)		<u>£2905.27</u>

Account details:

TREASURERS ACCOUNT
SUDANESE COMMUNITY IN PORTSMOUTH
LLOYDS BANK
Sort Code: 30-98-97
Account Number: 86442460