

Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2024
for
TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST)

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for the Year Ended 31 August 2024

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TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST)

Charity Information
for the Year Ended 31 August 2024

TRUSTEES:

Mrs F Sangowawa
H Agnama
J MASANDI

REGISTERED OFFICE:

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Stockton-On-Tees
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CHARITY NUMBER:

1190808 (England and Wales)

ACCOUNTANTS:

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TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST)

Report of the Trustees **for the Year Ended 31 August 2024**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2024.

TRUSTEES

The trustees shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 September 2023 to the date of this report.

Mrs F Sangowawa
H Agnama
J MASANDI

The Trustees of Taste of Africa North East are pleased to present their annual report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024. We hereby confirm our compliance with the requirements stipulated by the Charities Act.

Aim:

Taste of Africa North East (Charity No. 1190808) is dedicated to celebrating and promoting African culture through creative arts, fostering awareness, inclusion, and integration within our community.

Our Values:

Our work is underpinned by the following core values: equality, inclusion, diversity, community, creativity, and integrity. These values are integral to our efforts in nurturing thriving and diverse communities in the North East.

Over the past year, the charity successfully delivered a range of impactful activities aimed at celebrating Black culture, promoting positive role models, developing youth leadership, and strengthening community cohesion in the Tees Valley and beyond.

Key Activities Delivered:

- **Black History Youth Awards:** Organised to celebrate the achievements of Black youth and promote positive role models within the community. The event aimed to inspire aspirations and encourage young people to reach their full potential.
- **Taste of Africa Showcase:** Held annually in October to commemorate Black History Month in the Tees Valley. The event featured local, regional, and national artists, celebrating African culture through food, music, and performance.
- **Creative Youth Leadership Program:** The charity formalised its youth program focused on developing leadership skills and key soft skills among Black youth in the Tees Valley. As part of this initiative, young people curated and delivered an exhibition titled "Behind the Smile," highlighting the stories of Africans who have settled in the region. This exhibition was displayed in local museums and will contribute to the Tees Valley's historical archives.
- **African-Caribbean Carnival:** Delivered in Middlesbrough, this vibrant carnival engaged diverse communities and showcased African and Caribbean food, music, dance, jewellery, and arts. A colourful parade featuring costumes from various communities brought life to the streets.

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- **Windrush Documentary:** Young people produced a documentary highlighting the experiences of the Windrush generation living in the Tees Valley, marking Windrush Day and preserving important community history.
- **Black Creative Arts Network:** Established to support and promote Black artists across the Tees Valley, encouraging collaboration, greater visibility, and professional development opportunities.
- **Charity Ambassadors:** Established an Ambassador program to support the charity's growth and community outreach efforts.
- **Empowerment Program for Young Girls:** Launched the "More Than the Face" program to support and empower young Black girls in the community.

Plans for the Future:

Looking ahead, the charity aims to build its capacity further by developing strategic partnerships and programs that empower the community and foster cohesion and integration across the Northeast. We will continue to engage with key stakeholders to support the delivery and sustainability of our activities, ensuring lasting positive impact on the communities we serve.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Charity's Act 2011 relating to charities.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Mrs F Sangowawa - Trustee

30 June 2025

TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST)

Income and Expenditure Statement
for the Year Ended 31 August 2024

	31.8.24 £	31.8.23 £
Income	143,189	65,805
Cost of sales	<u>55,053</u>	<u>24,168</u>
GROSS INCOME	88,136	41,637
Administrative expenses	<u>40,862</u>	<u>20,641</u>
OPERATING PROFIT	47,274	20,996
Interest receivable and similar income	<u>42</u>	<u>31</u>
EXCESS OF INCOME BEFORE TAXATION	47,316	21,027
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
EXCESS OF INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	<u>47,316</u>	<u>21,027</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST) (REGISTERED NUMBER: 1190808)

Balance Sheet
31 August 2024

	Notes	31.8.24 £	31.8.23 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		76,851	29,295
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>720</u>	<u>480</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>76,131</u>	<u>28,815</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>76,131</u>	<u>28,815</u>
RESERVES			
Retained earnings		<u>76,131</u>	<u>28,815</u>
		<u>76,131</u>	<u>28,815</u>

The charity is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 for the year ended 31 August 2024.

The Trustees considered that an Independent Examiner's Report is appropriate the charity's financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024 in accordance with the provisions of charities Act 2011.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 132(1) of the Charities Act 2011 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of each financial year and of its income and expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act 2011 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charities subject to the charity's regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 30 June 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mrs F Sangowawa - Trustee

TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST)

Notes to the Financial Statements **for the Year Ended 31 August 2024**

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST) is a charity registered in England and Wales. The charity's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Charity Commission's page.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

Income is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

3. EMPLOYEES

The average number of employees during the year was 2.

3. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.8.24	31.8.23
	£	£
Accrued expenses	<u>720</u>	<u>480</u>

TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST)

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities **for the Year Ended 31 August 2024**

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

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under charity law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure statement for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Mrs F Sangowawa - Trustee

30 June 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST)

We have reviewed the financial statements of TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST) for the year ended 31 August 2024, which comprise the Income Statement, Balance Sheet and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Trustees' responsibility for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities set out on page six, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Accountants' responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial statements. We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements (ISRE) 2400 (Revised), 'Engagements to review historical financial statements' and ICAEW Technical Release TECH 09/13AAF (Revised) 'Assurance review engagements on historical financial statements'. ISRE 2400 (Revised) requires us to conclude whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements, taken as a whole, are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). ISRE 2400 (Revised) also requires us to comply with the ICAEW Code of Ethics and the FRC's Ethical Standard, as applicable.

Scope of the assurance review

A review of financial statements in accordance with ISRE 2400 (Revised) is a limited assurance engagement. We have performed additional procedures, primarily consisting of making enquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, applying analytical procedures and evaluating the evidence obtained. The procedures performed in a review are substantially less than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK). Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements have not been prepared:

- so as to give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 August 2024 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with our terms of engagement. Our review has been undertaken so that we might state to the trustees those matters that we have agreed with them in a reviewer's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body for our work, for this report, or for the conclusions we have formed.

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30 June 2025

TASTE OF AFRICA (NORTH EAST)

Detailed Income & Expenditure Account
for the Year Ended 31 August 2024

	31.8.24		31.8.23
	£	£	£
Income			
Donations		143,189	65,805
Cost of sales			
Cultural Expenses		<u>55,053</u>	<u>24,168</u>
GROSS INCOME		88,136	41,637
Other income			
Deposit account interest		<u>42</u>	<u>31</u>
		88,178	41,668
Expenditure			
Rent	2,805		1,500
Wages	12,020		-
Marketing & printing	6,724		5,857
Travelling	751		1,228
Licences and insurance	2,368		360
Training & development	5,775		1,783
Computer & website costs	1,692		725
Administrative expenses	2,416		2,370
Accountancy	720		480
Profesional & consultancy fees	5,192		6,187
Donations	<u>384</u>		<u>151</u>
		<u>40,847</u>	<u>20,641</u>
		47,331	21,027
Finance Costs			
Bank Charges		<u>15</u>	<u>-</u>
NET INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<u>47,316</u>	<u>21,027</u>