



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day1	Month September	Year2022		Day31	Month August	Year 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

1 Shay Court
Leeds
West Yorkshire
PostcodeLS6 2QL

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	Yvonne Opebiyi	Trustee, CEO		
2	Hawa Bah	Trustee, PR, treasurer		
3	Cara Levine	Trustee, community liaison person	12/02/2023-31/08/2023	
4	Mrs. Toyin Opebiyi	Trustee, secretary	12/02/2023-31/08/2023	
5	Paula Morris	Deceased, 19/04/2023		
6	Mrs. Oluwatoyin Opebiyi-JAMES	Deceased, 29/03/2023		
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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)	TRUST
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointment by trustees

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

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)

Principal activity: Attempt to improve racial relationships with the police and the young people in the African Caribbean community by using the history of the African Caribbean people in a positive way to show the fortitude of the African Caribbean people thereby creating pride and improved self-worth in the young people, encouraging them to higher education and vocational achievements.

WORKSHOP

A two-day workshop was held on 27th & 28th of March 2023. It was made up of interactive sessions on African-Caribbean history, group sessions on ‘finding self’, a session by an educationist, on various avenues of furthering education. A representative from the NHS had a group session on finding jobs in the NHS. A representative from Leeds University Life-Long learning Centre, went through the process of re-entering higher education. The final session of the day was on ‘Emotional Intelligence’ by the co-founder of Jago Company.

POLICE RACE ACTION PLAN

GLL was contacted by the West Yorkshire Police to help in formulating material for the new initiative they were embarking on in creating better relationships with members of the black community. GLL was asked to participate in this project. Several meetings were held with the planning committee. GLL was then asked to do the pilot presentation. The presentation was given at the Bishopgarth Training Centre, Carrgate Complex in Wakefield. The presentation was attended by several senior police officers and recorded for training. This was followed by a question-and-answer session which was also recorded for training purposes. These recorded sessions were slated to be beamed to all police officers in West Yorkshire. Further ‘Police Race Action Plan’ meetings were expected to take place between the Police Race Action Plan committee and Guiding Light Leads.

Guiding Light Leads was not paid for this project, but we decided that we would make use of the

opportunity of being able to make a positive impact on the police force. We felt compelled to be part of the spearheading of the project because it was in line with our ethos, the pledge we had made. We established GUIDING LIGHT LEADS with three establishments in mind: The Police, Teachers in schools, and executives in the workforce. Our belief is that if we can establish harmonious relations with these bodies by educating them on who we are, there will be less tension and misunderstanding in our communities, and our young people will find it easier to fit into general society, reducing ASB.

The presentation covered:

- **How the British got involved in the slave trade-**
- **Africans existing within slavery and the abolition of slavery.**
- **The Apprenticeship Period**
- **Post Apprenticeship Period**
- **Laws to curtail development of the freed slaves.**
- **Resultant mass migration**
- **Participation in both World Wars**
- **Fallacious portrayal of the black man**
- **Windrush Outcome**

The presentation was interactive, making use of props, music, and videos.

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.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Achievements: One of the participants of the workshop was so impressed by the history of heroism in African -Caribbean history, the report on the numbers of young black people in jail, that she has gone into the community to create groups of her peers, engaging with them, pointing out pitfalls, and encouraging them to aspire for better. She has been appointed by a Leeds based group to be a national outreach person.

The lecture and interactive pilot sessions held by Guiding Light Leads with senior West Yorkshire Police officers is being used as part of the, 'Police Race Action Plan' that has been implemented and is ongoing for all police officers in West Yorkshire. The expectation of this endeavour is to create better relations between the police and the community thereby reducing tension.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Nil.

.Details of any funds materially in deficit

£0.00

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)

Y.L.Opebiyi

Full name(s)

Yvonne-Lee Opebiyi

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

07/01/2024

**GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
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**GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

Trustees	Hawa Bah Yvonne Opebiyi OLUWATOYIN OBEPIYI JAMES Paula Morris
Charity Number	1191339 (England and Wales)
Registered Office	1 SHAY COURT Leeds LS6 2QL United Kingdom
Accountants	Accountae Ltd Union House 111 New Union Street Coventry CV1 2NT

**GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
(CHARITY NO: 1191339 ENGLAND AND WALES)
TRUSTEES' REPORT**

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023.

Principal activity

improve racial relationships with the police and the African-Caribbean youth and the community by using the history of the African-Caribbean people in a positive way to show fortitude of the African-Caribbean people thereby creating pride and improved self-worth in the young people, propelling them to higher educational and vocational achievements.

Trustees

The following Trustees held office during the whole of the period:

Hawa Bah
Yvonne Opebiyi
OLUWATOYIN OBEPIYI JAMES
Paula Morris

Charitable and Political donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under that law, the Trustees have elected to prepare the accounts 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 accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the profit or loss of the Charity for that period. In preparing these accounts, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts 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 Charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

Small Company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Signed on behalf of the board of Trustees

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Yvonne Opebiyi
Trustee

Approved by the board on: 6 January 2024

**CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON
THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF
GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Charities Act 2021, we have prepared for your approval the accounts of GUIDING LIGHT LEADS for the year ended 31 August 2023 as set out on pages 6 - 9 from the Charity's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <https://www.accaglobal.com/uk/en/about-us/regulation/rulebook.html>

This report is made solely to the Board of Trustees of GUIDING LIGHT LEADS, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 24 September 2020. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of GUIDING LIGHT LEADS and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the Board of Trustees of GUIDING LIGHT LEADS, as a body, in this report in accordance with the requirements of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants as detailed at http://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/fact/technical-factsheet-163.pdf. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than GUIDING LIGHT LEADS and its Board of Trustees as a body for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that GUIDING LIGHT LEADS has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and loss of GUIDING LIGHT LEADS. You consider that GUIDING LIGHT LEADS is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the accounts of GUIDING LIGHT LEADS. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory accounts.

Accountae Ltd
Chartered Certified Accountants

Union House
111 New Union Street
Coventry
CV1 2NT

6 January 2024

GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income from Grants	1,000	1,000
Charitable Activities	(1,004)	-
Operating (loss)/profit	(4)	1,000
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	(4)	1,000
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	-	-
(Loss)/profit for the financial year	(4)	1,000
Funds at the start of the year	(126)	(1,126)
(Loss)/profit for the financial year	(4)	1,000
	-	-
Total Funds at the end of the year	(130)	(126)

GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		10	112
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4	(140)	(238)
Net current liabilities		(130)	(126)
Net liabilities		(130)	(126)
Capital and reserves			
Profit and loss account		(130)	(126)
Total funds		(130)	(126)

For the year ending 31 August 2023 the Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and the Charities Act 2021. The members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - Small Entities.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 6 January 2024 and were signed on its behalf by

Yvonne Opebiyi
Trustee

Charity Registration No. 1191339

**GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

1 Statutory information

GUIDING LIGHT LEADS is a Charity, registered in England and Wales, registration number 1191339. The registered office is 1 SHAY COURT, Leeds, LS6 2QL, United Kingdom.

2 Compliance with accounting standards

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A Small Entities. There were no material departures from that standard.

3 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below and have remained unchanged from the previous year, and also have been consistently applied within the same accounts.

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets.

Presentation currency

The accounts are presented in £ sterling.

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with: the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014

And with the Charities Act 2011.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Recognition of income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).

Government grants

The charity has not received government grants in the reporting period

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

**GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Grants with performance conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

4 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

2023	2022
£	£

Other creditors

140	238
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5 Average number of employees

During the year the average number of employees was 0 (2022: 0).

GUIDING LIGHT LEADS
DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts.

	2023 £	2022 £
Turnover		
Income from Grants	1,000	1,000
Administrative expenses		
Charitable Activities	1,004	-
Operating (loss)/profit	(4)	1,000
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	(4)	1,000