



# Trustees Annual Report For the Year Ended 31/03/2023



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## 1. Reference and Administrative details

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## 2. Objectives and Activities

Community Support Centre is set up to support women and girls who are socially and economically disadvantaged and work alongside them to realise and develop their skills so that they can use them to meet their needs, stay resilient, develop themselves and their communities, leading to improvement of their health and wellbeing.

Our main activities fall into the following categories:

- 2.1 Improving health and wellbeing: All our activities support women and girls to improve their wellbeing. We support them in staying connected with other community members and staying active both physically and mentally while enhancing their skills and talents.
- 2.2 Reducing isolation and loneliness: Our projects also help them to improve confidence and self-esteem and to overcome social isolation and loneliness. We also support women and girls with counselling sessions, advocacy, information and mentorship.
- 2.3 Community Support Centre (CSC) works on a range of issues including domestic violence, financial literacy, English and ICT skills and basically, we do support women and young girls who are marginalised, isolated, do not speak English and need a day to day support to rebuild their lives. Many women and young girls accessing our services are not being supported by other organisations.
- 2.4 Our trustees and volunteers have lived experience and similar experiences as the women and young girls we support.
- 2.5 We care about our service users, and we treat them with respect.

FYE March 2023 we focused our support towards 3 main outcomes:

Increased opportunity to reduce social isolation.

Improved life skills and broaden horizons.

Improved mental and physical health.

During this financial reporting the main objectives and activities of the charity remained to support vulnerable women and young girls in our community with food parcel, information, advice and guidance including a heritage lottery funded project.

We use Arts as a medium to address specific issues, engage with women and unleash their full potential. We have in house expertise for arts and wellbeing projects and our facilitators are specially trained for our target group.

## **2.6 Public benefit statement**

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular alleviating the effects of poverty and isolation in our local community.

### **2.7 Activities during this period**

- Provision of food parcels to women and young girls in need, including single people, couples, and families with children. Food parcels include food for 3 meals a day for all members of the household for 7 days a week, plus toiletries, household cleaning items and cat and dog food as requested.
- Occasional provision of cooking utensils and other small household items for asylum seekers and refugees to set up a new home or part of their resettlement.
- Providing volunteering opportunities for local women and girls, with around 10 people a week typically volunteering at least 2 hours each, sometimes significantly more.
- Weekly Information and advice providing additional support to people to reduce their poverty and resolve the crises they are facing. Every woman and young girl's experience of poverty is different, and it's vital that women and girls receive tailored, dignified support.
- Social and cultural activities with the Heritage Lottery Funded project including cooking together, dance and arts.

Thanks to the funders: The National Lottery Community Fund, Heritage Lottery Fund, Forever Manchester, Arnold Clark and Salford CVS and our volunteers we have been able to support 70 women and 15 young girls during this financial year.

## **Mrs Ruth Nzongo**

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FYE 31/03/2023**

| <b>COMMUNITY SUPPORT CENTRE</b>       |                           |                             |                    |                    |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>INCOME (A)</b>                     | <b>2022/2023</b>          |                             |                    | <b>2021/2022</b>   |
|                                       | <b>£ Restricted Funds</b> | <b>£ Unrestricted Funds</b> | <b>Total Funds</b> | <b>Total Funds</b> |
|                                       |                           |                             | <b>2021 2022</b>   |                    |
| Grants                                | 55,948.00                 | 1500                        | 57,448.00          | 13,000.00          |
| Donations                             |                           | 1,945.00                    | 1,945.00           | 309.00             |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME (A)</b>               | <b>55,948.00</b>          | <b>3,445.00</b>             | <b>59,393.00</b>   | <b>13,309.00</b>   |
| <b>EXPENDITURE (B)</b>                |                           |                             |                    |                    |
| Artists                               | 3,760.00                  |                             | 3,760.00           | 0.00               |
| Room Hire                             | 1,990.00                  | 1,500.00                    | 3,490.00           | 1,070.00           |
| Volunteer expenses                    | 516.00                    |                             | 516.00             | 2,300.00           |
| Travel expenses                       | 1,200.00                  |                             | 1,200.00           | 2,408.00           |
| Miscellaneous                         | 1,400.00                  |                             | 1,400.00           | 0.00               |
| Equipment                             | 1,750.00                  |                             | 1,750.00           | 2,142.00           |
| Sessional workers                     | 11,920.00                 |                             | 11,920.00          | 3,500.00           |
| Wellbeing activities                  | 4,460.00                  |                             | 4,460.00           | 0.00               |
| Mental Health and Physical health     | 3,860.00                  |                             | 3,860.00           | 0.00               |
| Workshops                             |                           | 893.65                      | 893.65             | 1,080.00           |
| Training                              | 960.00                    |                             |                    | 500.00             |
| Total Expenditure                     | 30,816.00                 | 2,393.65                    | 32,249.65          | 13,000.00          |
| <b>Total Income-Total Expenditure</b> | <b>25,132.00</b>          | <b>1,051.35</b>             | <b>27,143.35</b>   | <b>309.00</b>      |
| TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS               | -                         | -                           |                    |                    |
| <b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR YEAR</b> | <b>25,132.00</b>          | <b>1,051.35</b>             | <b>26,183.35</b>   | <b>309.00</b>      |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS AT START OF YEAR</b>   | <b>330.00</b>             | <b>509.00</b>               | <b>839.00</b>      | <b>530.00</b>      |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>     | <b>25,462.00</b>          | <b>1,560.35</b>             | <b>27,022.35</b>   | <b>839.00</b>      |

VERIFIED AND APPROVED BY:

## OUR BALANCE SHEET FYE 2023

| BALANCE SHEET FYE 31 MARCH 2023 | 2023            | 2022       |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| <b>Fixed Assets</b>             |                 |            |
| Tangible Fixed Assets           | 1750            | 615        |
| Total Tangible Fixed Assets     | 1750            | 615        |
| <b>Current Assets</b>           |                 |            |
| Cash at Bank/ Hand              | 3397.35         | 309        |
| Other debtors                   | 227.75          | 0          |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>     | <b>26172.35</b> | 309        |
| Creditors due within one year   | 900             | 85         |
| <b>Net Assets</b>               | <b>27022.35</b> | 839        |
| <b>Funds of the Charity</b>     |                 |            |
| Restricted Funds                | 25462           | 330        |
| Unrestricted Funds              | 1560.35         | 509        |
|                                 | <b>27022.35</b> | <b>839</b> |

Approved by:

The logo is circular with a pink border. Inside, there is a stylized illustration of two hands, one brown and one white, holding each other. The text "COMMUNITY SUPPORT CENTER" is written in pink along the top arc, and "for women" is written in white along the bottom arc.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

### Basis of independent examiner's report:

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

### Independent examiner's statement:

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or

(2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Ms. Toya M. Berenger**



**31/03/2023**

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## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

### **1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements**

The Financial statements are prepared under the historic cost convention and include the results of the Charity's operations which are described in the Trustees Report and all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the statement of recommended practice for Charity Accounts:

- a. Fixed assets retained for use by the organisation include laptops purchased in 2019. These fixed assets are depreciated using the straight-line method of depreciation over a period of three years.

- b. Change in basis of accounting: Grants Receivable

Grants for immediate expenditure are accounted for when they become receivable.

Grants received for specific purposes are treated as restricted funds.

Grants restricted to future accounting periods are deferred and recognised in those periods.

### **2. Statement of Trustees Responsibilities**

The standard constitution of the Charity requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs and of the surplus or deficit for the period. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- make judgments that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity.

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.

