

UNION ROMANI VOICE

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Details

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO WHICH ARE FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, ARE SPECIFICALLY RESTRICTED TO THE FOLLOWING: A) THE PROMOTION OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AND IN PARTICULAR THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF RACE BY EDUCATING AND RAISING AWARENESS OF THE PUBLIC IN THE UK ABOUT THE ROMA COMMUNITY THROUGH THE USE OF ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE GOOD COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND UNDERSTANDING, ESPECIALLY WITHIN THE PUBLIC SECTOR.B) THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED BY REASON OF YOUTH, AGE, ILL HEALTH, DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR OTHER DISADVANTAGE FROM THE ROMA COMMUNITY WHO ARE RESIDENT OR WHO ARE INTENDING TO RESIDE IN THE UK BY:(I) PROVIDING FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL ADVICE, ASSISTANCE, AND REPRESENTATION ON ACCESS TO PUBLIC SERVICES(II)INCREASING, OR CO-ORDINATING, OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS OF THE ROMA COMMUNITY TO ENGAGE WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS, TO ENABLE THOSE PROVIDERS TO ADAPT SERVICES TO BETTER MEET THE NEEDS OF THAT COMMUNITY(III)DEVELOPING PROGRAMS IN THE FIELDS OF EDUCATION, HEALTH, DRUG ADDICTION, EMPLOYMENT, EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES, AS WELL AS IN ALL AREAS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO IMPROVING THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF THE ROMA COMMUNITYC) THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION BY THE MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A HERITAGE CENTRE AND EXHIBITION GALLERY TO PROMOTE THE ROMA ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE.

Activities: URV promotes equality and diversity by educating the public about Roma culture through arts and heritage. The charity advances human rights, social justice and child protection by providing free, confidential advice and advocacy to Roma families on access to public services including housing, employment education health safeguarding and support to maintain lawful residence in the UK including EUSS

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Birmingham City
- Blackpool
- Essex
- Leeds City
- Luton
- Manchester City
- Norfolk
- Oldham
- Suffolk
- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£183,163	£165,763	-	-
2024-04-05	£87,950	£85,320	-	-
2023-04-05	£56,700	£46,900	-	-
2022-04-05	£25,300	£19,819	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ciprin Avram	Chair	2023-02-26
Gheorghe Marius Dumitru		2026-05-21
Maria Dolea		2023-07-14
Nicolae Lazar		2024-01-17
Niculina-Londra Pompas		2025-07-24

Accounts



We support Romanian and Roma communities with free services, advice, advocacy, inclusion and human rights.

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A BRIEF MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-CHAIRS

On behalf of the Board, we are pleased to welcome you to the Annual Report of Union Romani Voice. This year's report reflects not only the growth and impact of the organisation, but also a period of strong, values-led leadership and a clear strategic direction rooted in social justice, human rights, and community empowerment.

Over the past year, Union Romani Voice has continued to respond to increasing and complex needs within Roma and Romanian communities in Ipswich, Suffolk, and across the UK. Demand for frontline support, advocacy, and safeguarding interventions has grown significantly. In this context, the organisation has remained focused on delivering practical support while also addressing the systemic causes of inequality and exclusion.

The Board of Trustees has worked closely with our Chief Executive Officer, Simona Lazăr, whose leadership, lived experience, and deep commitment to human rights continue to shape the organisation's vision and direction. Under her leadership, Union Romani Voice has strengthened its rights-based approach, expanded its advocacy at national and European levels, and ensured that Roma voices remain central to decision-making processes that affect their lives.

This year, the organisation has balanced immediate community needs with long-term strategic objectives, including strengthening civic participation, empowering young people and women, and promoting dignity, equality, and democratic participation.

Union Romani Voice has continued to operate as a trusted bridge between communities and institutions, ensuring that lived experience informs policy, safeguarding, and accountability.

We are particularly proud of the organisation's continued alignment with human rights standards, democracy, and the rule of law, values that underpin its work locally, nationally, and increasingly at European level. The Board recognises the importance of this direction and remains committed to supporting leadership that places respect, transparency, and accountability at the heart of the organisation.

Throughout the year, Union Romani Voice has demonstrated strong governance, integrity, and resilience, despite operating in a challenging environment. The trust placed in the organisation by the communities it serves is a testament to the dedication of its staff, volunteers, and leadership.

As Co-Chairs, and on behalf of the Board of Trustees, we would like to thank our Chief Executive Officer, the staff team, volunteers, partners, and most importantly the community members whose voices, courage, and trust continue to guide our work. Together, we look ahead with a shared commitment to a fairer, more inclusive society grounded in dignity, justice, and human rights.



VASILE MACOVEI
CO-CHAIR



NICOLAE LAZĂR
CO-CHAIR

OUR TEAM



Leadership

Simona Lazăr – Founder & Chief Executive Officer

Board of Trustees

Our Board provides governance, financial oversight and strategic direction.

- Vasile Macovei – Chair of Trustees
- Ciprin Avram – Treasurer
- Niculina Pompas – Trustee

Operational Team

Delivering frontline services and community programmes.

- Nicolae Facalet – Head of Operations
- Adrian Stanescu – Community Support Coordinator
- Marta Lazar – Education & Youth Engagement Lead

Policy, Advocacy & Rights

Ensuring Roma voices influence policy and decision-making.

- Florentina Parvu – Policy & Advocacy Officer
- Simona Lazăr – Legal & Access to Justice Lead

Community Ambassadors

Supporting community engagement and trusted outreach.

- Iubirea L – Youth Ambassador
- Nicoleta – Family Mentor

Volunteers & Partners

Supported by volunteers, interns and partners across public services, education, health, legal advice and the voluntary sector.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

Dear reader,

I am proud to present the Annual Report of Union Romani Voice, reflecting a year of determined action rooted in social justice, human rights, dignity, and the empowerment of Roma communities. Our work is guided by the belief that equality, democracy, and the rule of law must apply to all, without exception, and that Roma communities must be supported not only to access services, but to meaningfully participate in and shape the decisions that affect their lives.

Union Romani Voice operates from a clear Roma-led strategy focused on inclusion, empowerment, and long-term systemic change. At its core, this strategy recognises Roma people as rights-holders and active participants in democratic society, rather than as marginalised groups defined by deficit. We work to dismantle structural barriers while creating pathways for community leadership, civic participation, and self-advocacy.

Throughout the reporting period, we delivered free, frontline support services in Ipswich, Suffolk, and at a cross-UK level, supporting thousands of individuals and families experiencing poverty, discrimination, safeguarding risks, insecure housing, and exclusion from public services. Our assistance spans immigration and settlement, housing and homelessness prevention, child protection, access to healthcare and mental health support, welfare benefits, education, employment, and crisis intervention. All services are delivered with cultural competence and are firmly grounded in respect, trust, and an understanding of the lived realities of Roma and Romanian communities.

The powerful positive impact of this work is consistently reflected in the feedback and reviews shared on our Facebook page. Community members repeatedly describe Union Romani Voice as a trusted, compassionate, and effective organisation that restores hope and dignity during moments of crisis. Families highlight our persistence, clear communication, and commitment to standing alongside them when systems fail. This trust is the foundation upon which meaningful and lasting change is built.

Human rights and social justice are operational priorities for Union Romani Voice, not abstract values. Our work addresses discrimination, anti-Gypsyism, hate crime, and institutional failures affecting Roma communities.

We engage with local and national authorities, diplomatic missions, and European institutions to raise concerns, promote accountability, and uphold international human rights standards.

A key focus of our work is empowering young people, children, and Roma women. We promote youth civic participation, leadership, and educational engagement, supporting young Roma to participate confidently in public and democratic life. We also invest in women's leadership, recognising Roma women as essential agents of change within their communities and society.

We actively promote cultural identity and community pride through public events, education, and advocacy. These initiatives challenge stereotypes, celebrate Roma heritage, and strengthen social cohesion based on mutual respect.

Recent engagement with the Council of Europe's Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights has strengthened our strategic direction and reinforced our commitment to democracy, equality, and the rule of law—values fully aligned with our mission.

Despite limited resources, Union Romani Voice maintains strong governance, transparency, and accountability. Our staff and volunteers show exceptional dedication, ensuring effective safeguarding, advocacy, and crisis support while preserving our Roma-led, community-centred identity.

Our work is made possible by the trust of the communities we serve, the commitment of our team, and the support of partners who share our vision of justice and inclusion.

As Chief Executive Officer, I reaffirm my commitment to advancing social justice, human rights, and democratic participation for Roma communities. Union Romani Voice will continue to stand firmly for respect, dignity, equality, democracy, and the rule of law, ensuring that Roma voices are heard, valued, and empowered—today and for generations to come.

Thank you to everyone who supports and believes in this work.



SIMONA LAZĂR
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

THIS YEAR



During the reporting period, Union Romani Voice supported **884 individuals from Roma and Romanian communities** across the UK who were facing vulnerability, discrimination, and social exclusion. Through frontline services, advocacy, and safeguarding, the organisation enabled access to safe housing, welfare benefits, education, healthcare, and legal protection, helping beneficiaries overcome structural barriers.

A major achievement was the coordinated emergency response to anti-Roma violence and community displacement in Ballymena, Northern Ireland. **Union Romani Voice provided urgent advocacy, engaged national and international institutions, and raised public awareness**, contributing to improved protection and greater institutional accountability.

Beyond casework, the organisation promoted equality, challenged discrimination, and strengthened relationships between Roma communities and public authorities. By amplifying lived experience and Roma-led leadership, it helped dismantle stereotypes and advance social cohesion.

OUR IMPACT

- Marian Suru

I highly recommend this organisation. They supported me free of charge in recovering my residency status. Congratulations to Mrs. Simona for her professionalism and dedication.

- Valerică Tocila

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for helping me obtain my share code. May God bless you for the incredible support you provide to our community.

- Rebeca Valuca

Excellent work. This is a truly outstanding charity that genuinely supports our community when we need it most. They recently helped me recover my taxes, and the week before, they assisted me with my **EUSS application**. I wholeheartedly recommend them. The staff are exceptional, highly professional, and handle everything efficiently. **May God bless this organisation.** ❤️

- Mariana Ciobotaru

Thank you very much for helping me with my Settled Status application. May God grant you good health for the support you provide.



SUPPORTING PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

IN NUMBERS

IMPACT

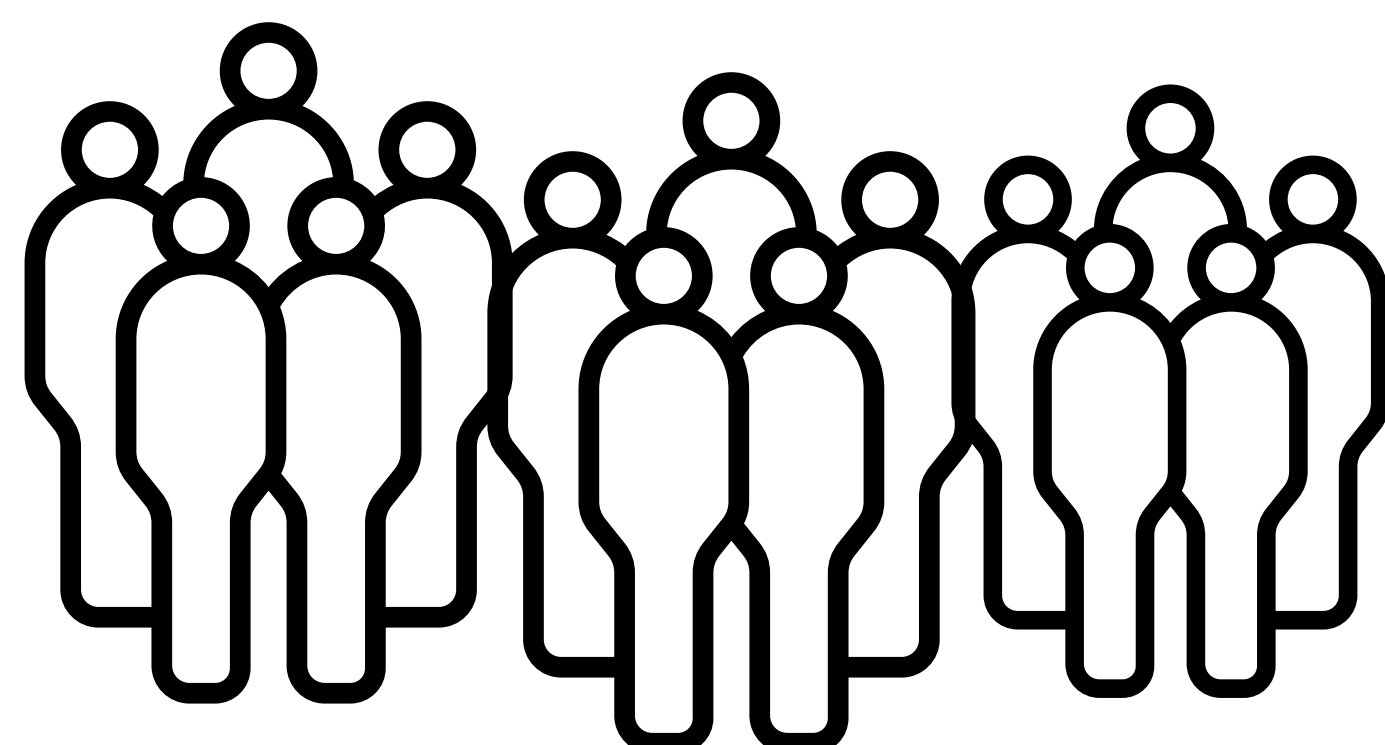
PEOPLE SUPPORTED

884

- FINAL RESULTS

500

- INITIAL TARGET



15-20 PEOPLE SUPPORTED DAILY

EMERGENCY AID

300

PEOPLE REFERRED TO FOOD BANKS



SERVICES



EU SETTLEMENT 390



150 WELFARE BENEFITS

COUNCIL TAX 100



60 HOUSING SUPPORT

90 UTILITY BILLS

CRISIS RESPONSE

300+ DISPLACED IN BALLYMENA

SUPPORTED DIRECTLY 50+



SPOTLIGHT

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Open Event 21 March 2025

Improving access, trust and wellbeing outcomes



Union Romani Voice supports Roma and Romanian communities to access healthcare services and wellbeing support, addressing barriers such as language difficulties, lack of information, discrimination and fear of engaging with public institutions.

Through culturally informed frontline support, the organisation assists individuals and families to navigate the health system and access the care they are entitled to.

Key Areas of Support

- Support with GP and NHS registration and access
- Guidance on accessing primary and specialist healthcare services
- Mental health and emotional wellbeing support
- Referrals to appropriate specialist and community services

Community Wellbeing and Prevention

Union Romani Voice also delivers health and wellbeing activities and events, including community-based wellbeing sessions, awareness initiatives and emotional support, helping individuals build confidence, resilience and trust in services.

This approach supports both immediate health needs and longer-term wellbeing, reducing isolation and improving engagement with healthcare providers.

Many Roma individuals experience poor health outcomes due to delayed access to care and systemic barriers. By providing trusted, Roma-led support, Union Romani Voice helps ensure that health needs are identified early and addressed in a respectful and inclusive manner.



SUPPORTING NEEDS

Roma and Romanian communities supported by Union Romani Voice often face poverty, discrimination, language barriers and limited access to public services. Many individuals seek support at moments of crisis, when timely and culturally informed intervention is essential.

Union Romani Voice responds through frontline, preventative and crisis-based support, ensuring individuals and families are not left without help.

Immediate Hardship and Basic Needs

- 300 individuals referred to food banks and furniture support services
- Support provided to families at risk of homelessness
- Advocacy for individuals facing utility arrears and enforcement action

These interventions helped stabilise living conditions and prevent further crisis.

Safeguarding and Family Support

- 15 child protection cases supported across the UK
- Early, culturally informed advocacy ensured families understood legal processes
- In Ipswich, no children were removed in cases where Union Romani Voice intervened in time



Legal, Immigration and Status Support

- 390 individuals supported with EU Settlement Scheme applications
- 50 immigration and deportation cases assisted
- Ongoing liaison with authorities to prevent loss of legal status

Crisis Response: Ballymena

- 300+ Roma individuals displaced
- 50+ individuals supported directly
- Emergency relief, institutional advocacy and media engagement delivered

Why This Support Matters

Beneficiaries consistently highlight the importance of:

- Free and accessible support
- Cultural understanding and trust
- Non-judgemental advocacy



CHALLENGING LAWS AND POLICIES

Union Romani Voice works to challenge discrimination and inequality not only at community level, but also within policies, institutions and decision-making systems that affect Roma and Romanian communities across the UK.

By combining frontline evidence with Roma-led advocacy, the organisation ensures that lived experience informs public debate, policy development and institutional accountability.



Policy Advocacy and Institutional Engagement

- Engagement with local authorities, police, NHS and government departments
- Contributions to national policy discussions on safeguarding, education, housing and equality
- Participation as a Research Peer with the Office for National Statistics (ONS), ensuring Roma voices are represented in national data and methodology



National and International Advocacy

- Formal engagement with:
 - UK Parliament
 - Home Office
 - Department for Education
 - Council of Europe
 - EU Delegation to the UK
- Contribution to the development of the Council of Europe Strategy on Roma and Traveller Inclusion (2026–2030)

Challenging Discrimination and Hate

During the anti-Roma violence in Ballymena, Northern Ireland, Union Romani Voice led coordinated advocacy to challenge institutional silence and demand protection:

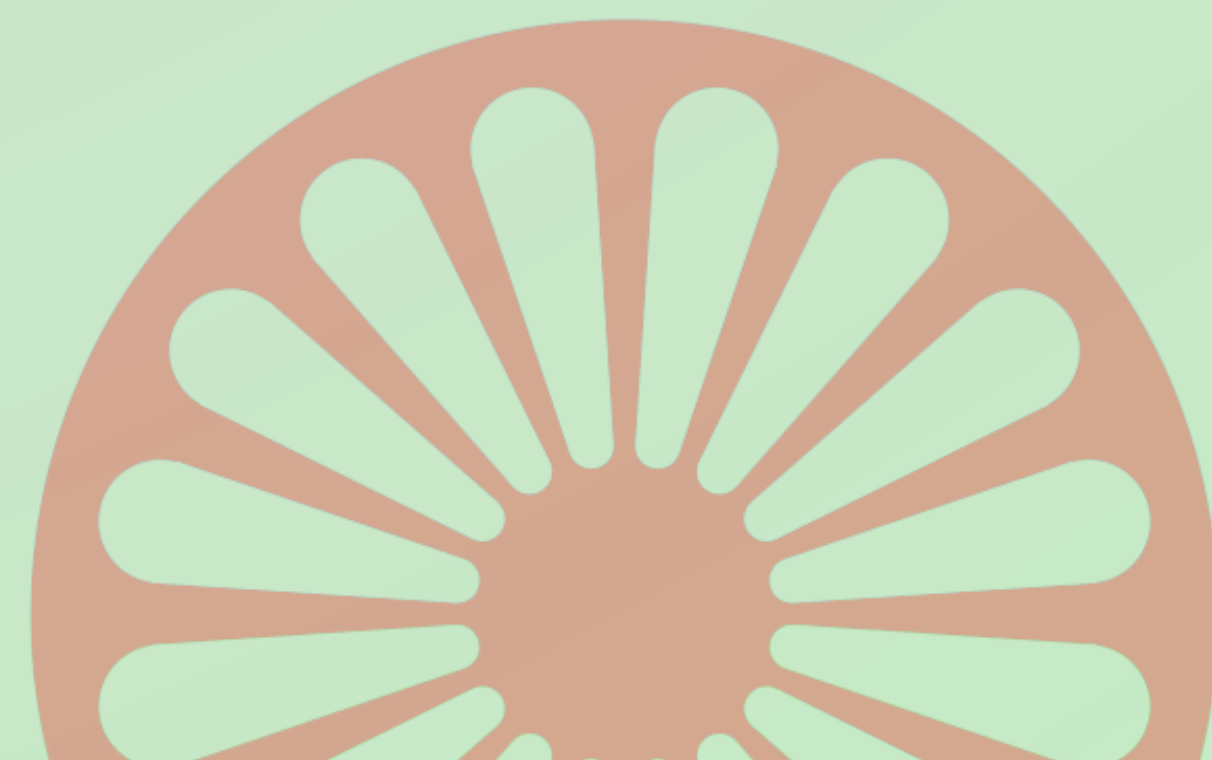
- Formal submissions to the Council of Europe, ECRI and the Commissioner for Human Rights
- Media engagement to challenge harmful narratives and collective blame
- Advocacy for safeguarding, accountability and protection of displaced families

Media and Public Voice

Union Romani Voice actively uses media to influence public understanding and policy response, with coverage including:

- BBC
- The Telegraph
- Yahoo News
- Romea.cz

This visibility ensured Roma voices were heard during moments of crisis and policy debate.





CULTURES AND HISTORIES



Union Romani Voice places Roma culture, history and lived experience at the centre of its work, recognising that cultural visibility and understanding are essential to achieving equality and social inclusion.

Through community-led cultural and educational activities, the organisation works to challenge stereotypes, counter misinformation and promote a more accurate and respectful understanding of Roma communities within wider society. These initiatives provide spaces for Roma voices to be heard, valued and represented on their own terms.

Cultural work also plays a vital role in strengthening community pride, intergenerational connection and a sense of belonging, particularly for young people who often face exclusion and marginalisation. By celebrating heritage and storytelling, Union Romani Voice supports confidence, resilience and positive identity formation.

Beyond community settings, the organisation engages with public institutions, schools, media and policymakers to ensure that Roma histories and contemporary experiences are recognised and included in public discourse. This work contributes to improved cultural competence, reduced prejudice and stronger relationships between Roma communities and wider society.



PROJECTS

Union Romani Voice delivers a comprehensive portfolio of community-led, rights-based projects designed to support Roma and Romanian communities to access services, build confidence, and participate fully in UK society.

Our projects combine frontline support, community empowerment, and systemic advocacy, grounded in lived experience, safeguarding, and human rights standards.

Roma Support – Free Community Services (Core Project)

**The Roma Support Project is
the foundation of our work.**

We provide FREE, confidential Information, Advice, Guidance and Advocacy through drop-in sessions, five days per week, in a safe and culturally informed environment.

Drop-in sessions (5 days per week)

ESOL – English for Speakers of Other Languages

Language is a critical barrier to inclusion.

Our ESOL programme supports adults and young people to:

- develop practical English skills
- build confidence in everyday communication
- engage with services, schools and employers
- reduce isolation and dependency

Women's Wellbeing – Pilates & Empowerment Project

The Women's Pilates & Wellbeing Project supports Roma and Romanian women to improve physical health, mental wellbeing and confidence. The project promotes dignity, prevention and empowerment.

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW MORE OF OUR PROJECTS](#)



REPORTS

We produce and contribute to reports, briefings and written submissions based on our frontline casework, lived experience and community evidence. Our reporting work helps inform partners, funders and decision-makers about the realities faced by Roma and Romanian communities across the UK.

Our reports focus on access to services, safeguarding, discrimination and systemic barriers, ensuring that Roma voices are accurately represented in research, policy discussions and institutional decision-making.

RESEARCH AND DATA CONTRIBUTION

We contributed to national research and data initiatives, including participation as a Research Peer with the Office for National Statistics (ONS). Through this role, we supported the inclusion of Roma perspectives in data collection methodologies and policy-relevant analysis.

INSTITUTIONAL SUBMISSIONS AND BRIEFINGS

We prepared written submissions, evidence and briefing materials for national and international institutions, human rights bodies and policy forums. These contributions were informed directly by our frontline experience and the issues raised by the communities we support.

PURPOSE AND IMPACT

By producing and contributing to reports, we strengthen evidence-based advocacy, support informed decision-making and contribute to the development of more inclusive and effective policies affecting Roma communities.

We manage our financial resources responsibly to ensure the effective delivery of frontline services, advocacy and safeguarding support for Roma and Romanian communities across the UK.

For the financial period **5 April 2024 – 5 April 2025**, our total income amounted to **£183,163**, derived entirely from grant funding. This included **£132,200** in unrestricted funding and **£50,963** in restricted funding, enabling us to respond both to core operational needs and specific project requirements.

EXPENDITURE AND USE OF FUNDS

During the reporting period, our total expenditure was £165,763, all of which related directly to charitable activities and service delivery. Key areas of expenditure included:

- Staffing costs (**£122,327**) – covering the CEO and four staff members, including frontline workers, a safety officer and a Roma advocate
- Premises (**£24,000**) – rent for three offices and delivery of ESOL classes
- Events and activities (**£17,436**) – community engagement, outreach and project-related activities
- Office and operational costs (**£7,000**)
- Travel expenses (**£5,000**)

We did not incur any expenditure on fundraising or trading activities during the year.

FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVES

At the end of the financial period, we recorded a surplus of **£17,400**, which is held as unrestricted reserves. These reserves provide a modest but important financial buffer to support operational continuity and organisational stability.

As at 5 April 2025, we held:

- Current assets: **£17,400**
- Net assets / funds: **£17,400**
- No fixed assets or liabilities

GOVERNANCE AND FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT

We prepare our accounts on a receipts and payments basis, in line with the Charities Act 2011 and FRS 102 (Charities SORP). The trustees have confirmed that the charity is a going concern and has adequate resources to continue operating for the foreseeable future.

All income and expenditure are overseen by the trustees to ensure transparency, accountability and alignment with our charitable objectives.

BEYOND THE NUMBERS

While volunteer contributions are not financially quantified in our accounts, volunteer support plays a vital role in extending our reach and impact. Our financial resources are complemented by strong partnerships, in-kind collaboration and the commitment of Roma-led staff and volunteers delivering services at community level.



Raising visibility and public accountability

We actively engage with national and international media to raise awareness of issues affecting Roma communities, challenge harmful narratives and promote informed public debate.

During the reporting period, our work and advocacy received significant media coverage, particularly in response to incidents of anti-Roma violence, safeguarding concerns and community displacement. Media engagement played a key role in amplifying Roma voices, increasing public understanding and prompting institutional attention.

Media Coverage Highlights

Our work was featured by a range of respected media outlets, including:

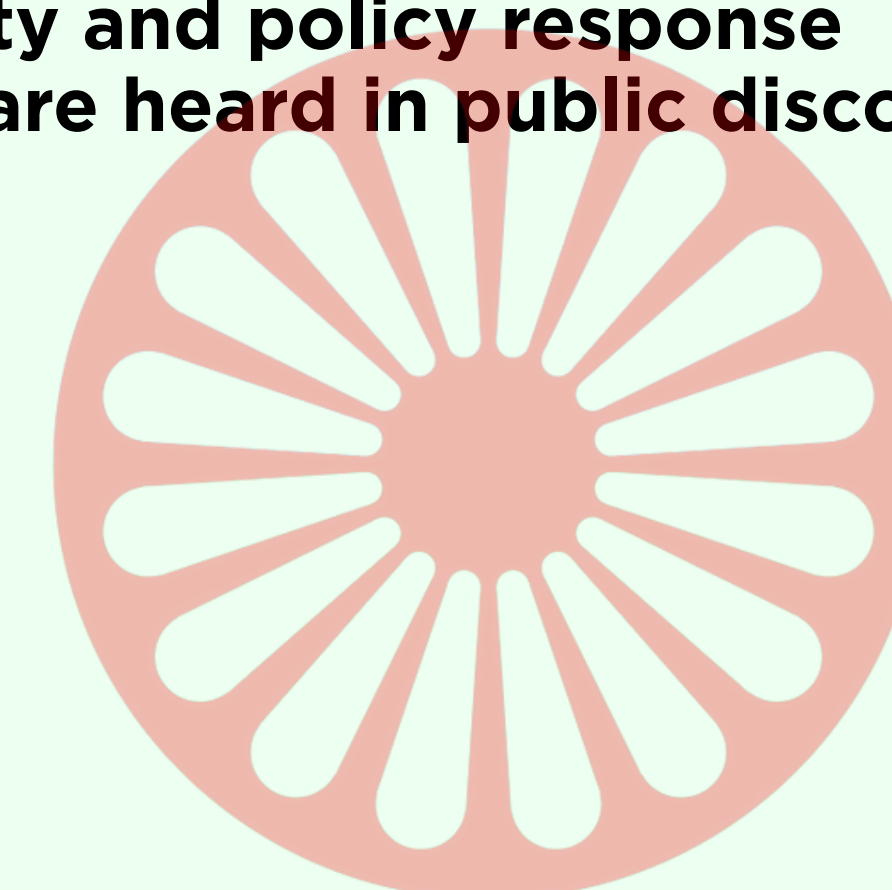
- BBC – live radio interviews and news coverage addressing safeguarding and anti-Roma violence
- The Telegraph – in-depth interview highlighting displacement and fear experienced by Roma families
- Yahoo News – reporting on the aftermath and impact of the Ballymena unrest
- Newsletter.co.uk – coverage of political and institutional responses following violence
- Romea.cz – publication of our official statements challenging collective blame and discrimination

This coverage ensured that Roma perspectives were represented accurately and responsibly during moments of heightened public attention.

Why Media Engagement Matters

By engaging with the media, we:

- challenge misinformation and stereotypes
- draw attention to safeguarding and human rights concerns
- support accountability and policy response
- ensure Roma voices are heard in public discourse



WITH GRATEFUL THANKS TO OUR FUNDERS AND PARTNERS



Local and Regional Partners

We collaborate closely with local authorities, public services and community institutions, including:

- Ipswich Borough Council
- Suffolk Police
- NHS teams
- Local schools and education providers, including Westbourne Academy, Northgate High School, Copleston High School and Chantry Academy

These partnerships support safeguarding, education access, community safety and improved service engagement.

Funders and Foundations

Our work is supported by trusted funding partners, including:

- National Lottery Community Fund
- Suffolk Community Foundation
- Lloyds Bank Foundation

Their support enables the delivery of free frontline services, advocacy and long-term community projects.



National and International Partners

We engage with a range of national and international bodies, including:

- UK Home Office
- UK Parliament
- Office for National Statistics (ONS)
- Council of Europe
- EU Delegation to the UK

We also collaborate with Roma-led organisations and human rights networks to amplify Roma voices and strengthen collective advocacy.



Diplomatic and Institutional Engagement

We maintain constructive relationships with:

- The Embassy of Romania in London
- Romanian Consulates in Manchester and Edinburgh

These partnerships support civic engagement, inclusion and cross-border cooperation.



OUR FAVOURITE MOMENT

ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT MOMENTS OF THE YEAR WAS SECURING **CONTINUED FUNDING** TO DELIVER OUR SERVICES FOR A FURTHER **THREE YEARS**.

THIS COMMITMENT RECOGNISED THE **IMPACT, CREDIBILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS** OF OUR WORK AND ENSURED STABILITY FOR OUR STAFF, SERVICES AND THE COMMUNITIES WE SUPPORT.

RECEIVING THIS SUPPORT ALLOWED US TO PLAN WITH CONFIDENCE, STRENGTHEN OUR PROGRAMMES AND CONTINUE PROVIDING **FREE, TRUSTED AND ROMA-LED SERVICES** TO THOSE WHO RELY ON US MOST.





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Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From:

Period start date **06/04/2023** To Period end date **05/04/2024**

Charity name: **UNION ROMANI VOICE**

Charity registration number: **1193506**

	Objectives
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document:	Union Romani Voice is the first Roma organisation in Ipswich/Suffolk- Great Britain, it is representative by Roma Professionals from the Roma community, aiming to empower the Roma community to challenge discrimination, exercise their rights, integrate into UK society, and fulfil their potential. The purposes of the CIO which are for the public benefit, are specifically restricted to the following: ▪ The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit and in particular the elimination of discrimination on the grounds of race by educating and raising awareness of the public in the UK about the Roma community by arts, culture and heritage to facilitate good community relations and understanding, especially within the public sector. ▪ The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage from the Roma community who are resident or who are intending to reside in the UK by: ❖ Providing free and confidential advice, assistance, and representation on access to public services ❖ Increasing, or co-ordinating, opportunities for members of the Roma community to engage with service providers, to enable those providers to adapt services to better meet the needs of that community ❖ Developing programs in the fields of education, health, drug addiction, employment, equal opportunities, as well as in all areas that contribute to improving the living conditions of the Roma community ▪ The advancement of education by the management and maintenance of a heritage centre and exhibition gallery to promote the Roma arts, culture and heritage.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.

Activities

What Union Romani offer free services

- Access to local services and built up a good connection with public sector and with local authorities
- Support Service Advice

✓ Drop-in sessions

Union Romani Voice delivered with success the previous project: **It time to recover after pandemic**, we asked the beneficiaries to complete a survey. 100% respond to continue the drop-in sessions.

Union Romani Voice aims: support and advocate for Roma rights and equality through our projects.

In Union Romani Voice delivering drop-in sessions Monday to Friday:

FREE Information, Advice, Guidance and Advocacy on Immigration, Housing, Benefits, Debt, EUSS, Visa, Rights in the UK, Employment, Education, Health, Wellbeing, Family Counselling, Clime Change which helped to tackle an individual's practical needs and barriers while ensuring a feeling of safety and secure.

In the Roma community **drop-in sessions** are a very effective tool to teach clients how to be self-independent and to share and learn from each other within the community. It is important to show appreciation and support we have for our clients and a good example was our well-being fair with great music, advice, and food with great feedback from our service users. The drop-in sessions also give space to socialise with other clients and provide a safe space for everyone within the community.

Union Romani Voice (front lane staff) help with anything to support people in the Roma community with any issues they may face.

✓ **Service: Information, Advice and Guidance** (Email, Telephone, face-to face)

This service responded to various enquiries submitted to the team by Email, Facebook Messenger, or Telephone.

Union Romani Voice supported people to learn new skills, build their confidence and support them into employment.- access to local training - We are in collaborations with Multiply Suffolk : coaching, skills for Life digital, finance and life skills training, employment support Also we support people with CV writing and interview practice, - support and guide people who are qualified outside of the UK, supporting people to access training/volunteering/work placements.,

When we supported someone, we have a track their progress to ensure their needs are being addressed. Union Romani Voice work together with the people we support to understand the challenges they may be experiencing and agree, and we help them to find a way to overcome them. We keep writing on paper and electronic records or case files of each person we are supporting,

Roma people gain the skills to become more independent citizens in Ipswich/Suffolk. We witnessed a reduction in 'chronic' cases. Those individuals/families that were coming to URV intensively (3-4 times a week) for support.

✓ **English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL)**

Union Romani Voice offered 3 time per week free English class for adults, 2 time in Community Action Suffolk and 1 time in Bethesda Church in Ipswich. Each class we have between 15-20 students.

Free English language education, skills development mentorships, employment and community integration support for seeking asylum and for ethnic minority groups. Union Romani provide skills development so that people can find employment and integrate successfully.

ESOL Class started September 2023, the class is delivery by Roma teacher

15-20 students each class session

Age between 19-64 years old

- English class sessions each session 2 hours
- Writing, reading, listening, games, dictation, asking questions pictures/photos.

Also, we lead to longer-term ESOL CLASS to helps people learn new skills, build their confidence and support them into employment.

Union Romani Voice delivering services which strengthen their immediate financial circumstances and then support them to achieve their employment/career aspirations and ambitions.

✓ **International Roma Day**

This will be an annual event to celebrate International Roma Day and bring our community together. We will invite other members of the community to attend to learn and more about our culture.

8 April each year is International Romani Day takes place on April 8th every year, celebrating Romani culture and raising awareness about the issues faced by Romani communities worldwide. Whether you're familiar with the day or hearing about it for the first time, mark your calendars because it's a day filled with cultural vibrancy and significance.

By promoting dialogue, cooperation between concerned stakeholders, concerted efforts can be made to combat stereotypes, eradicate discrimination, and create pathways for Roma empowerment and participation in decision-making processes.

Romani people, also known as Roma, have a rich heritage spanning centuries, yet they often face discrimination and marginalisation. International Romani Day serves as a platform to honour their contributions to society, challenge

	stereotypes, and advocate for their rights. It's a day of solidarity and celebration, recognising the resilience and diversity within the Romani community. To bring a burst of colour to your digital platforms this International Romani Day, here are some content ideas: • Share stories of Romani individuals making a difference in various fields. • Highlight Romani art, music, and dance forms to celebrate their cultural heritage. • Educate your audience about the history and challenges faced by Romani communities.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	I am confirming that the Union Romani Voice's trustees had guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

Additional information (optional)

Policy on grant making	Yes
Policy on social investment including program related investment	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Yes, our volunteers made a positive contribution to our charity

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society.

Main achievements of the charity below:

Positive impact of combined one-to-one support has led to Roma people resulting in:

- ✓ Increased confidence to manage their lives independently for 190 beneficiaries.
- ✓ Improved employability skills and learning opportunities for 120 beneficiaries.
- ✓ Improved health awareness, wellbeing and emotional resilience and social interaction and reduced levels of isolation 150 beneficiaries.
- ✓ Reduce benefits (get into job better paid) 30 beneficiaries.
- ✓ Improved English- 50 beneficiaries (ESOL CLASS 3 times per week)
- ✓ Family Counselling- 45 beneficiaries

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Yes
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	N/A
Amount of reserves held	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A

Additional information (optional)

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Union Romani Voice's principal sources of funds: - National Community Lottery Fund, - Lloyds Bank Foundation, - Suffolk Community Foundation
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	N/A
Other	

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	
Type of governing document	TRUST
How is the charity constituted?	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Union Romani Voice bord meet monthly. Regarding election of trustees, we do annually meet. Methods of election: The bord reflect to identify the mix of skills and work experience to help the charity to become more resilient. Prepare and write a trustee role according charity commission website and advertise normally in our community: Shortlist and interview, election and appoint.

Additional information (optional)

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	A code of conduct is an agreement between the charity and its board that sets out the standards of behaviour expected from trustees. New board members sign up to the code when they join.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Union Romani Voice have wider network with local authorities, public sector cu Romanian Roma Federation
Relationship with any related parties	N/A
Other	

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	UNION ROMANI VOICE
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1193506
Charity's principal address	160 Hadleigh Rd Ipswich IP2 0HH

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	Niculina Londra Pompas			
2	Maria Dolea			
3	Vasile Macovei			
4	Ciprian Avram			
5	Nicolaie Lazar Facalet			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Nicolaie Lazar Facalet		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Roma Advocate	Adrian Stanescu	Ipswich
Roma Advocate	Marius Macovei	Ipswich

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

Anicuta Lazar Facalet

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Niculina Londra Pompas	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	30/01/2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Charity Name

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
4/6/2023

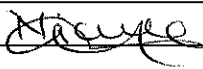
To

Period end date
4/5/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Apr-23	-	47,500	-	47,500	-
May	-	-	-	-	-
June	-	-	-	-	-
July	-	-	-	-	-
August	-	-	-	-	-
Sep-23	-	-	-	-	-
November 2023	25,000	-	-	25,000	-
Mar-24	15,450	-	-	15,450	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	40,450	47,500	-	87,950	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	40,450	47,500	-	87,950	-
A3 Payments					
April-May 2023	-	10,500	-	10,500	-
June-July 2023	-	11,500	-	11,500	-
August-Sep 2023	-	14,500	-	14,500	-
Oct-Nov 2023	-	16,970	-	16,970	-
Dec-23	-	5,600	-	5,600	-
Jan-24	-	7,500	-	7,500	-
Feb-24	-	8,500	-	8,500	-
March- 6 April 2024	-	10,250	-	10,250	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	85,320	-	85,320	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	85,320	-	85,320	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	40,450	- 37,820	-	2,630	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	40,450	- 37,820	-	2,630	-

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
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		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		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	
		Niculina Londra Pompas	Jun-24	



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Charity Name

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
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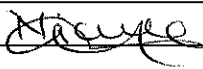
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B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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		Niculina Londra Pompas	Jun-24	

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	12	02	2021		05	04	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

UNION ROMANI VOICE

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1193506

Charity's principal address

160 Hadleigh Rd

Ipswich

Suffolk

Postcode

IP2 0HH

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	Cezara Lupan		Sep 2022	
2	Niculina Londra Pompas		Feb 2023	
3	Vaile Macovei			
4	Ciprin Vasile			
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Anicuta Lazar Facalet

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

(eg. trust deed, constitution)

CIO, CONSTITUTED

How the charity is constituted

(eg. trust, association, company)

CIO

Trustee selection methods

(eg. appointed by, elected by)

APPOINTED BY CHAIR AND 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;
- ☐ trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Date of constitution (last amended):

5th January 2021

1. Name

The name of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation ("the CIO") is "Union Romani Voice".

2. National location of principal office

The principal office of the CIO is in England.

Powers

The CIO has the power to do anything which is calculated to further its object(s) or is conducive or incidental to doing so. In particular the, CIO has power to

- (1) Borrow money and to charge the whole or any part of its property as security for the repayment of the money borrowed. The CIO must comply as appropriate with sections 124 and 125 of the Charities Act 2011, if it wishes to mortgage land.
- (2) Buy, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any property and to maintain and equip it for use.
- (3) Sell, lease or otherwise dispose of all or any part of the property belonging to the CIO. In exercising this power, the CIO must comply as appropriate with sections 117 and 119-123 of the Charities Act 2011.
- (4) Employ and remunerate such staff as are necessary for carrying out the work of the CIO. The CIO may employ or remunerate a Charity Trustee only to the extent that it is permitted to do so by Clause 6 (Benefits and payments to Charity Trustees and connected persons) and provided it complies with the conditions of that Clause.
- (5) Deposit or invest funds, employ a professional fund-manager, and arrange for the investments or other property of the CIO to be held in the name of a nominee, in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as the Trustees of a trust are permitted to do by the Trustee Act 2000.

5. Application of income and property

- (1) The income and property of the CIO must be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects.
 - (a) A Charity Trustee is entitled to be reimbursed from the property of the CIO or may pay out of such property reasonable expenses properly incurred by him or her when acting on behalf of the CIO.
 - (b) A Charity Trustee may benefit from Trustee indemnity insurance cover purchased at the CIO's expense in accordance with, and subject to the conditions in, section 189 of the Charities Act

2011.

(2) None of the income or property of the CIO may be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise by way of profit to any member of the CIO.

(3) Nothing in this Clause shall prevent a Charity Trustee or connected person receiving any benefit or payment, which is authorised by Clause 6.

(4) Benefits and payments to Charity Trustees and connected persons

(1) General provisions

No Charity Trustee or connected person may:

- (a) Buy or receive any goods or services from the CIO on terms preferential to those applicable to members of the public.
- (b) Sell goods, services, or any interest in land to the CIO.
- (c) Be employed by, or receive any remuneration from, the CIO.
- (d) Receive any other financial benefit from the CIO.

Unless the payment or benefit is permitted by sub-Clause (2) of this Clause or authorised by the Court or the prior written consent of the Charity Commission ("the Commission") has been obtained. In this Clause, a "financial benefit" means a benefit, direct or indirect, which is either money or has a monetary value.

(2) Scope and powers permitting Trustees' or connected persons' benefits

- (a) A Charity Trustee or connected person may receive a benefit from the CIO as a beneficiary of the CIO provided that a majority of the Trustees do not benefit in this way.
- (b) A charity trustee or connected person may enter into a contract for the supply of services, or of goods that are supplied in connection with the provision of services, to the CIO where that is permitted in accordance with, and subject to the conditions in, sections 185 to 188 of the Charities Act 2011.
- (c) Subject to sub-Clause (3) of this Clause a Charity Trustee or connected person may provide the CIO with goods that are not supplied in connection with services provided to the CIO by the Charity Trustee or connected person.
- (d) A Charity Trustee or connected person may receive interest on money lent to the CIO at a reasonable and proper rate which must be not

more than the Bank of England bank rate (also known as the base rate).

- (e) A Charity Trustee or connected person may receive rent for premises let by the Trustee or connected person to the CIO. The amount of the rent and the other terms of the lease must be reasonable and proper. The Charity Trustee concerned must withdraw from any meeting at which such a proposal or the rent or other terms of the lease are under discussion
- (f) A Charity Trustee or connected person may take part in the normal trading and fundraising activities of the CIO.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The objects of the CIO which are for the public benefit, are specifically restricted to the following:

a) The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit and in particular the elimination of discrimination on the grounds of race by educating and raising awareness of the public in the UK about the Roma community through the use of arts, culture and heritage in order to facilitate good community relations and understanding, especially within the public sector.

b) The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage from the Roma community who are resident or who are intending to reside in the UK by:

- (i) Providing free and confidential advice, assistance, and representation on access to public services
- (ii) increasing, or co-ordinating, opportunities for members of the Roma community to engage with service providers, to enable those providers to adapt services to better meet the needs of that community
- (iii) Developing programs in the fields of education, health, drug addiction, employment, equal opportunities, as well as in all areas that contribute to improving the living conditions of the Roma community

c) The advancement of education by the management and maintenance of a heritage centre and exhibition gallery to promote the Roma arts, culture and heritage.

1. Hardship Grant- 5k

Union Romani Voice bought food voucher 25X £50, 35X £100 and given to the most valuable people on the community. With this project we helped

2. Covid-19 Grant 5K- summary- we paid staff to deliver one to one and small school about risk of infection and safety. In the main time we given masks and hand gels in the community

3. Community Support Fund- Union Romani Voice helped the most vulnerable people in the community to pay the bills (gas, electricity and water)

4. Heath Heart Grant 5K - summary

The project aims to increase engagement in health checks across the Roma community and render them more accessible. Within the £5000 budget 3 events were held 6 & 17/12/2021, and 15/01/2022 and 8 checks (OLS) undertaken at each of these. At each event a paid interpreter was present and 5 paid link workers. These workers were established community members who used telephone and digital conferencing to facilitate registration with a GP, offered face to face contact at OLS AHC's and followed up in the cases of referral to medical care.

What do people using your HHF service have to say about it?

The service has encouraged more people to access GP services and specifically health checks. This has been welcomed by the community and link worker activity proved helpful in bringing about this increase.

The project lead is taking maternity leave. There is difficulty recruiting volunteers and those willing to help required payment for their services drawn from the fund. Paid link workers have provided transport for service users who cannot access the service due to limited travel options. There have been issues with DNAs and link workers have followed through by phone daily as necessary to resolve potential barriers. Difficulty in obtaining free venues.

Please tell us about any changes that have happened.

Administration costs for project lead and link worker payment. There was difficulty in getting health checks as age range of community 35-45 age range. Lowering of age for OLS checks has resolved this and numbers accessing check increased.

Do you consider these have been helpful or not to the project?

Yes, as uptake of health checks, related referrals and positive behaviour change increased.

How have people using your service been involved in the project?

No formal co-production relationship. The service is aware of Healthwatch co-production offer and have worked closely with Suffolk Community Foundation, Some informal contribution from service users' significant input from link workers.

Did you find any new ways of getting people to try out healthy heart activities?

Publicity- printed leaflets, links with local churches, Facebook, presence youth volunteer working on digital marketing of URV and specifically HHF.

What has been learned from the project so far?

Informal, regular telephone contact works best with this community to reduce anxiety, encourage engagement and support change,

From the discussion today can you tell us what you would like to take forward?

Develop an offer of single sex, physical and emotional health fitness activities.

3 workers have undertaken Making Every Contact Count training and have developed skills in giving tailored Very Brief Advice.

What else would improve heart health amongst your local community?

Funding to co-produce further positive physical and mental health activities within URV community. HHF spent and final report sent to SCF.

5. Cancer Screening Fund- £2,800

Union Romani Voice delivered 2 sessions within partnerships with One Life delivered successfully helping the women to complete de cancer screening who had English barriers and was lack of contact with GP.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Union Romani Voice during the February 2021- April 2022 achieved:

- small project delivered in the community which help the most vulnerable beneficiaries to improve that quality live: during pandemic Union Romani Voice helped the community to understand the risk of infection and to protect them self-better. Bereavement support to those who lost them loves during pandemic- covid-19. Wellbeing and mental health support too
- Helped with bank food (vouchers) help the most vulnerable people to pay the bills.
- Health check (heart and cancer screening)
- **Built up the trust in the community.**

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Union Romani Voice doesn't have any reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not any funds materially in deficit

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.

Union Romani Voice received 5 grants from Suffolk Community Foundation

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)	Cezara Lupan	
Full name(s)	Cezara Lupan	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	30/01/2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Union Romani Voice	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Feb-21	To	5-Apr-22
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
Mar-21	-	2,500	-	2,500
Apr-21	-	5,000	-	5,000
May-21	-	2,500	-	2,500
Oct-21	-	2,500	-	2,500
Jan-22	-	2,500	-	2,500
Feb-22	-	2,500	-	2,500
Mar-22	-	7,800	-	7,800
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	25,300	-	25,300
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
N/A	-	-	-	-
N/A	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	25,300	-	25,300
A3 Payments				
Apr-21		2,125	-	2,125
May-21		960	-	960
Jun-21		3,020	-	3,020
Jul-21		600	-	600
Aug-21		600	-	600
Sep-21		600	-	600
Oct-21		2,281	-	2,281
Nov-21		800	-	800
December 2021- 05 April 2022		8,833	-	8,833
Sub total	-	19,819	-	19,819
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
N/A	-	-	-	-
N/A	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	19,819	-	19,819
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	5,481	-	5,481
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	5,481	-	5,481

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	-	25,300
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	Agreement Error

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
			-
			-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name
Cezara Lupan	Cezara Lupan

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**Endowment
funds**
to nearest £

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**Current value
(optional)**

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**Current value
(optional)**

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**When due
(optional)**

Date of
approval

2/10/2023



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the
trustees/ members
of**

Charity Name

Union Romani Voice

**On accounts for the
year ended**

2021/2022

**Charity
no (if
any)**

1193506

Set out on pages

(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 **10 / 02 / 2023**

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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

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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: Florina Pirvu

Date: 10/02/2023

Name: Florina Pirvu

**Relevant
professional**

Economist

**qualification(s) or
body (if any):**

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

N/A