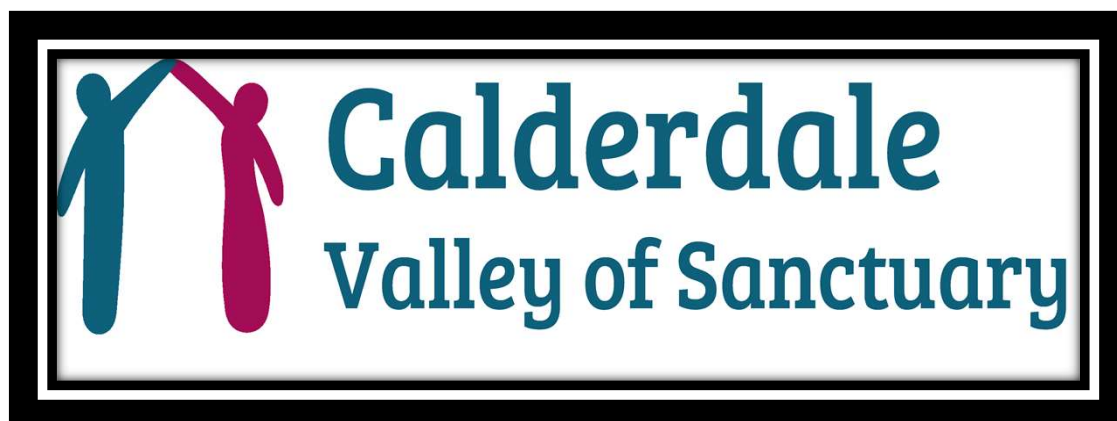


Calderdale Valley of Sanctuary

Charity number 1197764

Annual Report and Financial Statements **for the period 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023**



West Yorkshire Community Accounting Service

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Trustees' report for the period 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Laura Beesley	Chair	Appointed 2 February 2022
Nurgul Zhamentikova	Treasurer	Appointed 14 October 2022
Obomate Benibo	Secretary	Appointed 4 November 2022
Bilikisu Adams		Appointed 2 February 2022
Rebekah Ann Hellewell		Appointed 2 February 2022
Folashade Ganiyat Ifekoya		Appointed 2 February 2022
Lauren Iredale		Appointed 2 February 2022
Charity number	1197764	Registered in England and Wales

Registered and principal address Bankers

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Independent examiner

Alan Dodd FCCA

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) association formed on 2 February 2022 and is governed by a constitution. Prior to becoming a CIO, the organisation operated as an unincorporated community association.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are appointed by the members at the AGM.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the period 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

To advance equality and diversity for the public benefit for people seeking sanctuary by collaborating as a network of individuals and organisations and promoting activities that foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds and welcome people who have made Calderdale their home.

To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing people in Calderdale from becoming socially excluded, and relieving the needs of those people within Calderdale who are socially excluded by reason of their refugee or asylum seeker status and assisting them to integrate into society.

The charity's main activities

Calderdale Valley of Sanctuary has continued to facilitate, enable and grow the network of organisations and residents who support our aim to make Calderdale a place of welcome for people seeking asylum and refugees.

This has been achieved through a variety of methods including creating videos demonstrating what our members do to welcome people seeking sanctuary, Creating a video focussing on the strengths of people seeking sanctuary, taking part in campaigns to highlight the huge challenges that the current political and legal system presents to those seeking asylum, raising awareness locally of these issues and connecting members to create events which have a greater and wider impact.

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 equality and diversity.

Achievements and performance

Calderdale valley of sanctuary has had some milestone during the year, we have been able to meet our set targets and in some cases exceed them.

- Working very closely with Libraries. Raising awareness amongst their staff and their services and how they can support people seeking sanctuary
- Beech Hill Primary School became the first School of Sanctuary in Calderdale and is now supporting and mentoring other schools who are interested
- The establishment of 3 networks.
- We have a growing and active Schools Network.
- A Food Network bringing together members who focus activities around sharing food
- Culture Network bringing together arts organisations and ensuring that the voice of people seeking sanctuary informs other culture networks
- Trustee recruitment-we now have 7 trustees and 4 with experience of the asylum system. This experience and insight is key to ensuring that we remain focussed on the changes that make a real difference to the lives of those making Calderdale their home
- A successful co-ordination of refugee week 2022, an ongoing planning and co-ordination of the upcoming refugee week 2023.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the period 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023

Achievements and performance (continued)

- Achieving charitable status.
- The success of "I am skilful, I am talented" video project, funded by Wharfedale Foundation. This focussed on strength based stories and the skills and expertise that people seeking sanctuary bring to our communities. A key part of the project was training a group of people seeking sanctuary to be able to film and edit video footage . The project was highlighted in national coverage
- 12 High Quality Videos featuring our Members, as part of Calderdale Welcomes You Project.
- Regular, high-quality Monthly newsletter with double the " of the national industry standard.
- 500% increase of supporters, and 100% increase in Members.

Financial review

The net receipts for the period were £5,832, including net receipts of £764 on unrestricted funds and net receipts of £5,068 on restricted funds after transfers.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, at the period end were £764.

The trustees have not adopted a formal reserves policy. There are very few overhead costs, and the majority of core expenditure is met from the Stronger Neighbourhoods restricted grant. The trustees will explore whether adequate unrestricted reserves can be obtained in future grant applications.

Approved by the board of trustees on 08/09/2023.....

Signed:  (Trustee)

Name: Laura Beesley.....

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Calderdale Valley of Sanctuary

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the period 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the CIO 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 CIO's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act;
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed:

Name: Alan Dodd FCCA

Date:

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Receipts and payments account
for the period 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £
Receipts				
Grants and donations	(2)	250	12,700	12,950
Transfer on incorporation		511	21,110	21,621
Total receipts		<u>761</u>	<u>33,810</u>	<u>34,571</u>
Payments				
Subcontractors		-	14,017	14,017
Professional fees		-	6,400	6,400
Room hire		-	178	178
Trustee expenses		-	128	128
Marketing, website and publicity		-	1,870	1,870
Design and print costs		-	1,353	1,353
Training		-	653	653
Events and activities		-	1,910	1,910
Running costs		-	169	169
Equipment		-	2,061	2,061
Total payments		<u>-</u>	<u>28,739</u>	<u>28,739</u>
Net receipts / (payments)		<u>761</u>	<u>5,071</u>	<u>5,832</u>
Transfers between funds	(3)	<u>3</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>764</u>	<u>5,068</u>	<u>5,832</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances carried forward	(3)	<u>764</u>	<u>5,068</u>	<u>5,832</u>

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Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31 March 2023

	2023	2023	2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Cash funds			
Cash at bank	764	5,068	5,832
Total cash funds	<u>764</u>	<u>5,068</u>	<u>5,832</u>

Assets retained for the charity's own use

Laptop
 Sony Vlog video camera with accessories
 ASVS X415 Laptop
 Apple iPhone SE

Liabilities	2023
	£
Accruals	600
	<u>600</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on

Signed: (Trustee)

Name:

Calderdale Valley of Sanctuary

Notes to the accounts

for the period 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

These accounts have been prepared for the period from 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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Notes to the accounts continued

for the period 2 February 2022 to 31 March 2023

2 Grants and donations

	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £
Calderdale MBC	-	12,700	12,700
Other donations	250	-	250
	<u>250</u>	<u>12,700</u>	<u>12,950</u>

3 Restricted funds

	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Wharfedale Foundation	-	4,000	3,998	(2)	-
CFFC - Dev Worker	-	7,812	7,812	-	-
Stronger Neighbourhoods	-	21,997	16,929	-	5,068
CFFC - Here I am	-	1	-	(1)	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>33,810</u>	<u>28,739</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>5,068</u>

Fund name

Purpose of restriction

Wharfedale Foundation

To produce a video for those seeking asylum or refugee status, and to help to train sanctuary seekers. Small underspend transferred to unrestricted funds.

CFFC - Dev Worker

Funding from the Community Foundation for Calderdale (CFFC) to support a development worker to improve communications and membership engagement.

Stronger Neighbourhoods

Funding towards the core costs of running the charity, extended to March 2024.

CFFC - Here I am

As a part of Refugee Week, towards an arts project to welcome refugees. Small underspend transferred to unrestricted funds.

4 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

During the period, 2 trustees were paid a total of £128 (including £59 travel, £45 telephone and £24 for childcare costs).

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during the period.