

# THE EQUIANO PROJECT

England & Wales · Charity number 1198468

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2022-03-31

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE CIO HAS THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS:(1) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL (BUT PARTICULARLY PEOPLE UNDER THE AGE OF 21) ON THE SUBJECTS OF TOLERANCE, UNIVERSALISM, FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND CITIZENSHIP IN SUCH WAYS AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES THINK FIT, INCLUDING BY:(A) DELIVERING LESSONS, WORKSHOPS AND CLUBS FOR SCHOOLS AND ORGANISATIONS;(B) DEVELOPING AND MAKING AVAILABLE INFORMATION, MATERIALS AND RESOURCES TO THE PUBLIC; AND(C) HOSTING EVENTS, TALKS AND DISCUSSIONS; AND(2) THE PROMOTION OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY: (A) THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF RACE, GENDER, DISABILITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR RELIGION, FOR EXAMPLE BY DELIVERING TRAINING AND ADVISORY SERVICES TO ORGANISATIONS;(B) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS IN EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY, FOR EXAMPLE BY PUBLISHING REPORTS, REVIEWS AND ARTICLES; (C) PROMOTING ACTIVITIES TO FOSTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN PEOPLE FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS; AND(D) CULTIVATING A SENTIMENT IN FAVOUR OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY.NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CIO FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 OR SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008 (AS APPLICABLE).

**Activities:** The Equiano Project is a debate, discussion and ideas forum. We promote freedom of speech and open discussion on race, identity and culture, by hosting public events, publishing reports and articles,

and creating video and podcast content.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-01	£31,676	£31,239	-	-
2023-10-01	£12,781	£6,171	-	-
2022-10-01	£0	£0	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Oliver Langton Wright</b>	Chair	2022-03-31
Dr Marie Kawthar Daouda LLA		2022-03-31
Inaya Folarin Iman		2022-03-31
Katharine Moana Birbalsingh CBE		2022-03-31

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# Accounts

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**THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)**

Registered Address: 87-90 Paul Street, London, EC2A 4NE

Charity Number: 1198468

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

For the year ended 1 October 2024

**THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)**

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## **THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)**

### **Trustee Report**

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Equiano Project was granted charitable status on 31 March 2022 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

The organisation consists of four trustees, including a Director (also a trustee), a freelance Head of Content, and a network of approximately a dozen voluntary contributors. The Director also provided paid services in a project management capacity, which were properly authorised and disclosed in the financial statements.

#### **Trustees**

Oliver Langton Wright (Chair)  
Inaya Folarin Iman  
Katharine Moana Birbalsingh CBE  
Dr Marie Kawthar Daouda LLA

All trustees were appointed on 31 March 2022.

Charity number: 1198468

Registered office: 87-90 Paul Street, London, EC2A 4NE

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The Equiano Project exists to advance the education of the public—particularly young people—on the subjects of tolerance, universalism, freedom of expression, and citizenship, as the charity trustees see fit. Its charitable aims are:

- A. The elimination of discrimination on the grounds of race, gender, disability, sexual orientation or religion, e.g., by delivering training and advisory services to organisations.
- B. Advancing education and raising awareness of equality and diversity, e.g., by publishing reports, reviews, and articles, and making resources publicly available.
- C. Promoting activities that foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds.
- D. Cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity.
- E. Hosting events, talks, and discussions.

## **THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)**

### **Public benefit**

The charity has referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing its aims and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that they have set.

### **Achievements and Performance**

In the 2023–2024 financial year, The Equiano Project significantly expanded its reach and deepened its impact through a diverse programme of events, publications, and public engagement:

- On 14 November 2023, Director Inaya Folarin Iman spoke at a major town hall-style debate in Doha, Qatar, in collaboration with Doha Debates, Lusail Museum, and VCUarts Qatar. The event explored the evolution of Western perceptions and the cultural legacy of Orientalist art.
- On 11 December 2023, The Equiano Project hosted a joint event with Don't Divide Us on the subject of contemporary antisemitism in Britain.
- On 22 January 2024, we co-hosted an in-person discussion with Persuasion titled "The Culture Wars: An American Import?".
- On 12 February 2024, the Director participated in a panel at BFI Southbank reflecting on the film *American Fiction* and its exploration of racial politics.
- On 18 March 2024, we co-hosted a book event with the Free Speech Union on Lord Tony Sewell's latest publication titled *Black Success: The Surprising Truth*.
- On 26 March 2024, the Director spoke at UCL's Bloomsbury campus on the theme "Disagreeing Well in an Online World." and spoke about how the politics of identity undermines free speech.
- On 24 April 2024, The Equiano Project hosted an online discussion with prominent commentator Coleman Hughes about his latest publication *End of Race Politics, The: Arguments for a Colorblind America*.

Over the reporting year, The Equiano Project:

- Reached over 1,000 people in person through public events
- Generated nearly 1 million views on YouTube
- Achieved 12+ media mentions including in the Daily Mail, Spiked, BBC Radio 4, The Spectator, Sky News, and The Critic

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- Grew its newsletter to 2,000+ Substack subscribers, alongside dozens of published articles

These activities contributed directly to our charitable goals by encouraging public dialogue on contentious and complex issues in a thoughtful and inclusive manner.

### **Financial Review**

The charity received total income of £31,675.67 during the year, of which £29,004.60 came from donations and £2,660.80 from charitable activities. Investment income (CAF bank interest) was £10.27.

Total expenditure for the year was £31,238.95, which included:

- £31,232.02 spent on charitable activities, including public events, speaker fees, and project management.
- £6.93 on governance and administrative expenses

The net income for the year was £436.72, bringing the charity's closing funds to £8,046.14, from an opening balance of £7,609.42.

### **Reserves policy**

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds, which have not been designated for a specific use, should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six months' expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year. The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks.

## **THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)**

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

They are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless inappropriate.

Trustees must also:

- Keep adequate accounting records;
- Ensure the financial statements comply with charity law;
- Safeguard the assets of the charity and take reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and irregularities.

Approved by the board of trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Trustee: *Oliver Wright*

Chair of Trustees: Oliver Wright

Date: 08 Jul 2025

## **THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)**

### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE EQUIANO PROJECT**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Equiano Project for the year ended 1 October 2024.

#### ***Responsibilities and basis of report***

As the charity's 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 Trustee's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their Opinion on the accounts. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently, I express no opinion as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

#### ***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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records.
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

**THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)**

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.

*Hopper Williams & Bell Limited*

Michaela Johns FCCA  
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Chartered Accountants  
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08 Jul 2025  
Date .....

## THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)

### Financial Statements

For the year ended 1 October 2024

Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA): Receipts and Payment Account

Category	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Total Funds (£)	Total Funds (£)
Receipts from donations and legacies	4,366.74	24,637.86	29,004.60	10,280.71
Receipts from charitable activities	2,660.80		2,660.80	2,500.00
Investment Receipts	10.27		10.27	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>7,037.81</b>	<b>24,637.86</b>	<b>31,675.67</b>	12,780.71
Payments on charitable activities	6,594.16	24,637.86	31,232.02	6,146.29
Payments on Governance and Administration	6.93		£6.00	25.00
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>6,601.09</b>	<b>24,637.86</b>	<b>31,238.95</b>	6,171.29
Net Cash receipts/payments	436.72	-	436.72	7,609.42
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward	7,609.42	-	7,609.42	-
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>8,046.14</b>		<b>8,046.14</b>	7,609.42

## THE EQUIANO PROJECT (CIO)

### Balance Sheet

	2024	2023
Category	Amount (£)	Amount (£)
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand	8,046.14	7,609.42
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>8,046.14</b>	<b>7,609.42</b>
Liabilities	-	-
<b>Net current assets</b>	<b>8,046.14</b>	<b>7,609.42</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>8,046.14</b>	<b>7,609.42</b>
Unrestricted funds	8,046.14	7,609.42
Restricted Funds	-	-
<b>Total charity funds</b>	<b>8,046.14</b>	<b>£7,609.42</b>

### Funds Reconciliation

Opening funds (1 Oct 2023)	£7,609.42
Net income for the year	£436.72
Closing funds (1 Oct 2024)	£8,046.14
All funds are unrestricted.	

### Payment to Trustees

For the delivery of major projects and project management services, Inaya Inaya Folarin Iman (Trustee) was paid a day rate of £250. This totalled £3,650 for the year ending 1 Oct 2024 (2023: £800).



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**The Equiano Project**

Registered Charity Number: 1198468

**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For the year ending 1 October 2023**

## **The Equiano Project**

### **Trustees**

Oliver Langton Wright (Chair)

Katharine Moana Birbalsingh CBE

Inaya Folarin Iman

Dr Marie Kawthar Daouda LLA

All trustees appointed on 31 March 2022

Charity number 1198468

Registered office: 87-90 Paul Street, London, EC2A 4NE

# Trustee report

## Objectives and activities

To advance the education of the public in general and young people in particular on the subjects of tolerance, universalism, freedom of expression and citizenship in such ways as the charity trustees think fit. The charity aims to promote equality and diversity for the public benefit by:

- A. the elimination of discrimination on the grounds of race, gender, disability, sexual orientation or religion for example, by delivering training and advisory services to organisations;
- B. advancing education and raising awareness of equality and diversity for example by publishing reports, reviews, and articles and making available resources to the public;
- C. promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds;
- D. cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity;
- E. hosting events, talks and discussions

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

## Achievements and performance

The Equiano Project has engaged with a wide range of people in order to promote equality and eliminate discrimination.

Our monthly newsletter went out to our ever-growing subscriber list and keeps them informed about our work.

We launched a 20-episode podcast 'Equianopod' where Equiano project founder and now trustee Inaya Folarin Iman spoke to influential and compelling thinkers on race, identity politics and culture. The podcast has had tens of thousands of listeners.

We launched a Substack which has become a platform for prominent and non-professional writers to share their thoughts and ideas about the direction of travel of contemporary anti-racism. We have published dozens of articles, book reviews, and commentaries on these matters to an audience of several hundred (and growing).

We hosted our own events and spoke nationally and internationally at events on racial equality. We partnered with the magazine Persuasion on an event which asked 'Where will (and should) the future of the centre-left lie?'

In November 2023, Equiano Project director Inaya Folarin Iman spoke at a town hall-style debate in Doha, Qatar. In a collaboration between Doha Debates, Lusail Museum and VCUarts

Qatar, the panel investigated the evolution of Western perceptions, the potential for redemption in Orientalist art and its role in shaping cultural understanding.

In September 2023, Equiano Project director Inaya Folarin Iman went to Warsaw, Poland to speak at a 'Culture Tensions' panel on decolonising the arts for the gallery U-Jazdowski.

In August 2023 Equiano Project director Inaya Folarin Iman interviewed the writer and critic Tomiwa Owolade about his new book 'This is Not America: Why Black Lives in Britain Matter' for Intelligence Squared.

In collaboration with The Equiano Project Ltd (which is in the process of being closed down so that the organisation can cooperate fully as a charity), the charity hosted the conference *Towards the Common Good: Rethinking Race in the 21st Century* which took place at Emmanuel College and King's College, University of Cambridge on January 12th and 13th 2023.

We have an active social media account where we share and post content related to the themes of the charity. We have also appeared in a wide range of newspapers and media outlets including BBC, *The Times*, *The Telegraph* and *Bloomberg*.

We are satisfied that this, and the range of other activities we have delivered, demonstrate that we have been effective in promoting our charitable objectives.

### **Financial review**

The financial results are set out in the following statement of financial activities. The year ended 1 October 2023 shows a net surplus of funds amounting to £7,609.42 to be used in furtherance of our charitable objectives.

Given the charity has only been established for a short period of time, the trustees would like to see more fundraised for the charity and are keen to see its reserves grow in the periods to come.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year. The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

### **Structure, governance and management**

The organisation was awarded charitable status on 31 Mar 2022.

The Equiano Project consists of four trustees, a voluntary director (who is also one of the trustees), a freelance Head of Content and around a dozen voluntary writers.

**The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.**

Oliver Langton Wright (Chair of trustees)

Inaya Folarin Iman (trustee)

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 October 2023**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with charity law. 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.

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE  
ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 October 2023**

<b>Income from</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Donations	£10,280.71	<b>0</b>
Gift aid	£2,500	<b>0</b>
<b>Total income</b>	£12,780.71	<b>0</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Charitable activities	£6,171.29	<b>0</b>
<b>Net</b>		
Fund balances at 1 October 2022	<b>7,609.42</b>	<b>0</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under charity law.

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Staff costs	£2,100.00	<b>0</b>
Event and podcast costs	£2,139.89	0
Subscriptions	£120.50	0
Admin (website, virtual mailbox etc)	£645.90	0
Bank charges and finance costs	£25.00	0
Travel	£140.00	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,171.29</b>	<b>0</b>

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year

The charity is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement under charity law, for the year ended 1 October 2023. This is because the trustees of charities with gross incomes of £25,000 or less do not usually have to arrange for any scrutiny of their charity's accounts.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the charity law with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees.

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**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 31/03/2022 Period start date To 01/10/2022  
Period end date

Charity name: The Equiano Project

Charity registration number: 1198468

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the education of the public in general (but particularly people under the age of 21) on the subjects of tolerance, universalism, freedom of expression and citizenship and the promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit
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.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Delivering lessons, workshops and clubs for schools and organisations. b: developing and making available information, materials and resources to the public. c: hosting events, talks and discussions
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The charity has taken note of and had regard for the guidance on public benefit issued by the charity commission and uses this to meet its objectives and in the forward planning of the charity.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	N/A
Other		N/A

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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 as a whole.	Para 1.20	It took us nearly a year to set up a bank account and so, we were unable to deliver the activities that we had hoped to and thus, were unable to operate. However, this has now been resolved.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other - Plans for the future		We have recruited a contractor Senior Content Officer who has been creating educational written and video content for our social media accounts. Some of our videos have gained several thousands of views. We also hosted an event on July 3rd in London, which was very well attended.

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The account had a balance of £0 because we had not finished setting it up yet, however, it has now been set up.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity closely monitors the balance of the bank account held to ensure that sufficient funds are available as working capital in order to continue to carry out our charitable activities.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	The charity didn't have a fully set up bank account during the above period.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The charity didn't have a fully set up bank account during the above period.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity's only current source of funds is through donations.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The trustees assess that the major risk to the charity is its financial sustainability, however, the trustees feel sufficient steps are being taken to mitigate this, such as continued fundraising.

Other		
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## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The charity's constitution was adopted 9 August 2021.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is a charitable incorporated organisation, registered 31 March 2022.
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	Para 1.25	The trustees are nominated by existing trustees having consideration of relevant skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Prospective trustees will meet all other trustees. Copies of the incorporation document, recent annual reports, and accounts together with the relevant Charity Commission publications are made available as required. Training is provided as required.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/A
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A

Other: Average number of employees		The charity had no employees during the period. During the period, no remuneration or trustee expenses were paid.
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### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Equiano Project
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1198468
Charity's principal address	87-90 Paul Street, London, EC2A 4NE

**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	Inaya Folarin Iman		Appointed 31 March 2022	
2	Oliver Langton Wright	Chair	Appointed 31 March 2022	
3	Katharine Moana Birbalsingh CBE		Appointed 31 March 2022	
4	Dr Marie Kawthar Daouda LLA		Appointed 31 March 2022	
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## 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
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#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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### Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) 

	
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Full name(s) 

Oliver Wright	Inaya Folarin Iman
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) 

Chairman	Trustee
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Date 

28/07/23
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