

Journey to Freedom Bromley

Annual report for the Financial Year Ending 31st March 2024

Charity registration number – 1198558

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Introduction

The trustees are pleased to present our first annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st October 2023.

Objectives and activities

The listed objects of the CIO are

1. The relief of sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of accommodation in the London Borough of Bromley and the surrounding area.
2. The advancement of the Christian faith within the London Borough of Bromley and elsewhere as the Trustees of the CIO may from time to time think fit.

These are primarily achieved through the provision of supported housing in the London Borough of Bromley to those who are homeless or insecurely housed.

Structure and Governance

Hope into Action Bromley CIO is structured as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO), governed by a constitution. The Trustees have overall control and responsibility for policy and major decision making and, as of 31st March 2024, there were three trustees, appointed based on their expertise and commitment to the organisation's goals. The Trustees hold the authority to appoint or remove other Trustees and any new trustees will be selected on the basis of the skills, knowledge and experience required for the role.

The trustees met four times over the course of the reporting period. They also connect informally through the means of regular electronic communications, such as email. During this reporting period CIO had the support of volunteers forming the friendship and support group, which was overseen by trustees. There were no employees of the CIO during this period.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

Unfortunately, due to the numerous commitments of the trustees, there was no significant activity for the charity during this period. The trustees' various personal and professional responsibilities made it challenging to dedicate the necessary time and resources to the charity's initiatives. Despite this, we remain hopeful and optimistic about the future. We are actively planning to restart our work soon and are exploring various avenues to re-engage with our community. Additionally, we are enthusiastically looking forward to the possibility of welcoming new volunteers who can bring fresh energy and ideas to support our mission and help us achieve our goals.

Financial Performance

Income

Our total income for the year was £0

Expenditure

Our total expenditure for the year was £0

Financial Position

As of 31st March 2024, Journey to Freedom had cash assets of £2.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have determined that as we use our resources to purchase goods to support victims of domestic abuse, with no other outgoings, and therefore have agreed a policy where there are no minimum reserves required to maintain the charity.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Looking Ahead

As we look to the future, Journey to Freedom CIO remains committed to restarting our programs and engaging new volunteers to expand our impact.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by



James Harratt

Trustee

10/3/24

Annual Accounts 2023-2024

Opening Balance 1/4/23

2

Income

0

Outgoings

0

Closing Balance 31/3/24

2