

THE WESTSIDE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1199790

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-07-26

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Activities

Objects: THE CIO IS ESTABLISHED FOR THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS IN THE UK, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY IN GREATER LONDON, KENSINGTON, CHELSEA, WESTMINSTER, HAMMERSMITH, FULLHAM AND HOUNSLOW AND MANCHESTER:-1. TO PROMOTE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION BY PROVIDING FACILITIES FOR BASKETBALL, WALKING BASKETBALL, TRIATHLON, CRICKET, TENNIS, FOOTBALL AND WALKING FOOTBALL ("FACILITIES" MEANS BUILDINGS, EQUIPMENT AND ORGANISING SPORTING EVENTS);2. TO ASSIST IN PROVIDING SPORT, RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATIONS OF SUCH PERSONS WHO HAVE SUCH NEED FOR SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR DISABILITY, YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY, POVERTY OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES OF FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE;3. TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN 6 AND 25, ESPECIALLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES, SO AS TO DEVELOP THEIR CAPABILITIES THAT THEY MAY GROW TO FULL MATURITY AS INDIVIDUALS AND MEMBERS OF SOCIETY.

Activities: To promote community participation in healthy recreation by providing facilities for sport across all sections of the community

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Disability, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£24,615	£22,108	-	-
2024-03-31	£24,800	£17,142	-	-
2023-03-31	£9,000	£5,194	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Frances Edwards	Chair	2022-02-28
Deborah Perez-Peters		2022-02-28
Derek James Okoro		2022-02-28

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period - 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025

In 2024/25, the charity continued to expand the One London Basketball programme at Kensington Leisure Centre and the various community sessions that are fundamental to it across Westminster, Kensington & Chelsea, and Hammersmith & Fulham, and worked towards making the programme embedded in the community. Children and young people have been able to participate in regular age group games for U10's, U12's, U14's and U16's and we've been able to deliver 10 hours of structured competition each Friday for local children aged 8 - 20 and it has really helped fulfil our objective of social inclusion of children of all demographics and socioeconomic status coming together through sport. We have continued to have high rates of participation throughout the year, engaging more than 350 children and young people. The project has benefited children and young people by increasing the capacity for basketball development and providing local training opportunities across Hammersmith & Fulham, Kensington & Chelsea and Westminster. This increase led to higher youth participation in training and competitive gameplay. Children can start as beginners or at an intermediate level and be directed to an appropriate age-group session, where they can develop their skills and play against similarly skilled children in competitive games. This provides the children with a positive experience of playing basketball and provides a foundation for their ongoing participation in the sport. In 2025/26, we will have a specific plan in place to increase the rate of girls' participation and to continue to connect with all areas of the local community.

Our Walking Cricket programme for older residents continues to flourish and has become a valued part of our community offer. Weekly sessions attract consistent attendance, with participants engaging in two hours of dynamic, age-appropriate cricket training and friendly games. These sessions are carefully structured to promote physical activity, balance, and coordination in a safe and inclusive environment. Equally important is the programme's social element. The informal socialising and shared refreshments after each session provide vital opportunities for connection, helping to reduce isolation and strengthen friendships among participants. Feedback from attendees highlights improvements in physical well-being, confidence, and overall enjoyment of staying active.

Looking ahead to 2025/26, we plan to introduce an additional Walking Cricket session each week. This expansion will increase capacity, reduce waiting lists, and create new opportunities for residents aged 60 and over to take part in regular physical activity. The additional session will allow us to reach more people in our community and further our charitable aim of improving health, well-being, and social inclusion through sport.

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Income and Expenditure Statement from 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025

Income	
Hyde Park Place Estate Charity	£5,000
Garfield Weston Foundation	£10,000
Paddington Charities	£8,075
Donations	£1,540
Total Income	£24,615
Expenditure	
Facility Hire	£18,821
Coaching Costs	£698
Equipment	£2,115
Website	£311
Refreshments	£164
Total Expenditure	£22,108

Report prepared by Frances Edwards

26 Jan 2026

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In 2023/24, the charity has continued to run basketball camps for young people in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea during October 2023 half term and February 2024 half term's, respectively with funding from the John Lyons Charity. These camps were well attended and assisted local families affected by the cost of living crisis with free activities for their children run by experienced National League Basketball Coach's. Additionally, we ran an additional basketball camp in October Half Term at Cambridge Estate financed by Cambridge CRE.

The program has continued to significantly benefit local children and young people by enabling the continuation of holiday activities during critical half-term periods. In light of the ongoing cost of living crisis, many local families found it challenging to afford vacations during these times, making it essential to provide accessible activity options. The camps garnered substantial participation, surpassing 300 unique visits across the two half-term periods.

Alongside this provision, we expanded our One London Basketball programme with new community session in Westminster and Hammersmith with weekly programme of community basketball sessions. at various locations. Children and young people aged 8 – 18 were able to access sports provision in their areas and had the opportunity to participate in community basketball games on Friday Nights at Kensington Leisure Centre, next to Grenfell. These new sessions complemented existing community sessions in North Kensington and were run by experienced Level 2 coaches who are all DBS checked and have received safeguarding training.

In 2023/24, we continued our project for older residents to participate in sport with our weekly walking cricket sessions with support from the MCC Foundation. The activity outcomes are to break down social isolation and wellbeing for older adults aged 55+. Having fun socialising and exercising whilst playing sport is a wonderful way to release endorphins that help prevent loneliness and low mood. The sessions encouraged older residents to get more active by taking part in fun, sociable and friendly sport specifically designed to be accessible to all fitness and ability levels. These sessions continued to be well attended and through collaboration with the participants, we are looking to increase the range of activities available to older residents through the development of new partnerships.

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Income and Expenditure Statement from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024

Income	
Hyde Park Place Estate Charity	£5,000
Cambridge CRE	£5,000
John Lyons Charity	£4,800
Hammersmith United Charities	£9,000
Donations	£1,000
Total Income	£24,800

Expenditure	
Facility Hire	£9,217
Coaching Costs	£3,743
CRE Camp Costs	£2,439
Marketing	£473
Equipment	£218
IT Costs	£296
Admin	£351
Refreshments	£405
Total Expenditure	£17,142

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30 Jan 2025

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The charity officially became operational in July 2022 and started to work towards its charitable objectives.

In September 2022, the charity received funding from John Lyons Charity to run a basketball camp for young people in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea during October 2022 half term and February 2023 half term. We ran junior basketball camps for children and young people aged 8 - 18 years old during the October and February half terms. The camps took place at Kensington Leisure Centre, Silchester Road, London W10 6EX with the October 2022 half term starting on Monday 23rd October 2022 and February 2023 half term starting on Monday 12th February 2023 and were run by experienced National League L2 Basketball Coach's who are licensed with Basketball England and hold current DBS and safeguarding certificate. It was important for local children to access sports activities and to maintain some regular structure during the October and February half terms.

The project has benefited local children and young people by allowing us to continue to run holiday activities for local children as it was important to keep the continuity half term periods. Due to the cost of living crisis, more local families could not afford to go on holidays during the half term and it was essential that these families had activity options during these periods. Both camps were very well attended and exceeded our projected target of 250 unique visits across both of the half terms.

As part of our project to break down social isolation and well-being for older adults 50+, we received grant funding from Westminster Almshouse to run a pilot weekly walking cricket session in Maida Vale, Westminster supported by coaches from the MCC Foundation. These weekly sessions consisted of 2 hours of walking cricket followed by 30 - 60 minutes of socialising with refreshments and encouraged local residents to get more active by taking part in fun, sociable and friendly sport specifically designed to be accessible to all fitness and ability levels. The pilot started in early 2023 and delivered weekly indoor walking cricket sessions with more than 30 unique participants having attended the pilot. Our beneficiaries are older adults 50+ or individuals who are semi - retired or retired who have become sedentary during the pandemic and who require specific activities to help improve their physical and mental well-being.

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Income	
John Lyons Charity	£4,000
Westminster Almshouse	£5,000
Total Income	£9,000

Expenditure	
Facility Hire	£3,526
Coaching Costs	£1,600
Marketing	£68
Total Expenditure	£5,194

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11 Apr 2024

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