

# **WESTSIDE**

## **COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

### **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**

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

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