

# Ethnic Minorities in Canterbury CIO

Charity Information for the period ended March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

Charity number: 1201006

Registration date: November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

			Date Appointed	Date resigned
<b>Trustees</b>	Radu-Florin Stancu	Past Chair	15/11/2022	05/07/2024
	Bakul Chandola		15/11/2022	05/07/2024
	Marta Zofia Gocek		15/11/2022	05/07/2024
	Agnieszka Joanna Gordon		15/11/2022	05/07/2024
	Vasudev Pamnani		15/11/2022	10/06/2024
	Chiedza Helen Madzokere	Chair	15/11/2022	
	Dr Mohamed Sakel	Vice Chair	15/11/2022	
	Agyapal Singh Babra		15/11/2022	
	Oliver Azubuike Enwonwu		15/07/2024	
	Morounkeji Moses		20/09/2024	

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**Bankers** The Metro Bank  
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Canterbury CT1  
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## Report of the Trustees for the period ended 31 March 2024

The trustees are pleased to present the 1st annual report of this CIO with financial statements for the period 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022 to 31st March 2024.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the charity's constitution.

### Structure, governance and management.

The charity's name is Ethnic Minorities in Canterbury and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered on 15th November 2022. The charity's governing document is its Constitution.

### **Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees**

Under the requirements of the Constitution, the number of Trustees must be not less than four. Trustees are appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity

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trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. New Trustees are provided with an induction into the charity's work and the duties and responsibilities of the Trustee Board, including a copy of the current version of the constitution and a copy of the CIO's latest Trustees' Annual Report and statement of accounts.

## **Objectives and activities Charitable**

### **aims**

1. To support Ethnic Minority Individuals and Communities in the Canterbury District: give voice, enable community cohesion, integration and preserve culture and language.
2. To empower Ethnic Minority individuals and families in the Canterbury District through enabling access to equal opportunities, social integration, healthy living and cultural exchange
3. To make the Canterbury District a place where Ethnic Minority residents can live healthily, be actively engaged and have equal opportunities.

### **Activities**

The objects are achieved through the following activities:

1. supporting community cohesion and celebrating cultural and ethnic diversity, through collaborative work.
2. supporting diverse groups to understand their rights and responsibilities in the UK
3. helping people from minority ethnic backgrounds to integrate in the wider community and develop skills to flourish in society.
4. promoting healthy living and wellbeing through raising awareness about health issues and services.
5. supporting people who experience disadvantage or discrimination and/or find it difficult to access mainstream services.

### **Public benefit**

The Trustees confirm they comply with the duty in Section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance. The Trustees are confident the objectives and activities undertaken provide significant benefit to the public and are in accordance with its charitable objects, as described in the following section of the annual report.

## **Achievements and performance**

We are delighted to report that EMIC achieved most of its objectives during its inaugural year as a CIO. This could not have been achieved without the hard work of the inaugural chairperson, treasurer, secretary, the community development officer, contract project workers and volunteers.

The highlights of Activities are:

1. **The international mother language day.** This was a celebration of the diverse communities, languages and cultures. It was well attended and supported by the mayor of Canterbury and her team.

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2. **Community space project:** this was an innovative project focusing on supporting ethnic minority individuals through advice, help and signposting to services. It also helped people to know more about the cost of living help available as well as accessing employability skills. The project promoted volunteering opportunities and provided a forum for networking and friendships. Participants reported that they enjoyed the friendly welcoming environment which also reduced the social isolation. The project supported 65 people through a bespoke approach helping them to write CVs, complete forms for job application and university application, advice on language courses, job applications and looking for accommodation. There was very positive feedback which highlighted the fact that the project created a sense of community and raised awareness of available support and services locally,
3. **Reaching Out: community research project:** this project was a collaboration between EMIC and other organisations working with black and ethnic minority communities in Kent, Surrey and Sussex. We ran an informative session about health and social care and how to access it. This session also shared information about research and its importance and the importance of ethnic minority involvement in participation in research projects.
4. **Plastic free Canterbury- working towards sustainable future:** the charity supports the plastic free Canterbury initiative by encouraging diverse communities to give up single use plastic. We also promote the use of reusable cups bottles and rice recycling plates during our activities and events. This helps to encourage members of ethnic backgrounds to engage in supporting this environmentally friendly initiative led by our City Council.
5. **Diabetes awareness project:** diabetes is very prevalent in ethnic minorities. Our project was aimed at raising awareness of type 2 diabetes within ethnic minority groups, reducing the risks for type 2 diabetes and improving awareness of the key diabetes prevention messages. We also highlighted the importance of accessing services in a timely manner to prevent the development of complications associated with diabetes. Participants were able to understand misconceptions about diabetes and learn about the methods of prevention and self-management through healthy eating.

## Financial Review

### Financial Position

The financial overview for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 is as follows:

Receipts: £27,328

Payments: £12,424

Net of receipts / payments and cash funds carried forward: £14,904 (comprising unrestricted £2,039 and restricted £12,865)

### Policy on Reserves

At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 the charity held reserves of £2,039, comprising its unrestricted cash funds. Reserves are set aside to cover fluctuations in income and unforeseen future expenditure.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees by:

# Ethnic Minorities in Canterbury CIO

Name: Chiedza Helen Madzokere

Position: Chairperson

Date: 30th January 2025

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**Independent examiner's  
report on the accounts**

**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/ members of**

**On accounts for the year  
ended Set out on  
pages**

31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1201006

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**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

As the charity 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").

**Independent examiner's  
statement**

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

**Signed:**

30 th January 2025

Peter James Dyer

*P.J. Dyer*

**Date:**

**Name:**

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

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**Address:**

88 Cromwell Road

Whitstable

Kent CT5 1NL



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Ethnic Minorities in Canterbury	No 1201006
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For the period from	Period start date 15/11/2022	To	Period end date 31/03/2024
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Receipts

and payments accounts

## Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted fund s to the nearest £	Restricted fund s to the nearest £	Endowment fund s to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year
A1 Receipts					

University of Kent				-
Kent Community Foundation				-
Lottery Main Grants				-
Canterbury City council				-
Other Income				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
Sub total(Gross income				-

A2 Asset and investment s table).				
				-
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3,578

Total receipts

23,750

-

27,328

## A3 Payments

Sessional worker/Project Management	1,200	2,275	-	3,475	-
Internet subscription	265	254	-	519	-
Venue Hire	74	1,360	-	1,434	-
Advertising Cost	-	565	-	565	-
Community Work	-	4,375	-	4,375	-
Event costs	-	1,199	-	1,199	-
Insurance		96		96	
IT Equipment		459		459	
		212		212	
Stationery		30		30	
		60		60	
Telephone		-		-	
Volunteer costs		10,885		12,424	
	-		-		-
Sub total	1,539		-		-

A4 Asset and investment purchases,  
(see table)

	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-



Total	1,539	payments	10,885	-	12,424	-
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Net of receipts/(payments)

A5 Transfers between funds	12,865			-
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A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
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Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-
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	12,865			-
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## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories		Unrestricted Income	Details funds to nearest £	funds to nearest £	funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds			-	12,865	-
			2,039	-	-
		Total cash funds	2,039	12,865	-
			Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds

Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	-	-	-
	-	-	-

Cost (optional)	(optional)	Fund to which	Current value	Details asset belongs
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-

Details	asset belongs	Cost (optional)	(optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		-	-
		-	-

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			

Notes	Details	liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Unrestricted	Income in advance	Restricted	12,865	

Restricted Endowment



### 1. Disclosure of transactions with Trustees

During the reporting period, the charity entered into agreements with businesses connected with Trustees as follows:

- Insightful Healthy Lifestyle Solutions CIC T/A Renaissance Gentle Gym, of whom Chiedza Helen Madzokere is a Director, provided a business address for the charity (for which no rental was paid) and space rental for the Community Space project over a period of four months (for which £1,092 was paid by the charity).
- Babrani Foods Ltd, owned by Agyapal Singh Babra, provided catering services for the Mother Language Day, for which £1,000 was paid by the charity.

Both agreements were approved by the board of Trustees without influence from the connected Trustees.

Signed by one or two trustees on Date of behalf of all the trustees Signature Print Name approval

	Chiedza Helen Madzokere	30/01/2025
	Morounkeji Moses	30/01/2025