

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period 18 May 2023 to 31 December 2023
BASSE CÔTE UK PROGRESS
Charity Registration Number: 1203128

1. Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: BASSE CÔTE UK PROGRESS
Registered Charity Number: 1203128

Principal Address: 58 PITFIELDS ROAD
OLDBURY
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Trustees who served during the period:

- Bountouraby Keita, Chair
- Ousmane Soumah

The charity was officially registered on **18 May 2023**, and this report covers the period from its registration date to 31 December 2023.

2. Structure, Governance and Management

BASSE CÔTE UK PROGRESS is an unincorporated charity governed by its constitution. Upon registration, the charity appointed its initial board of trustees, responsible for managing the organisation in accordance with its governing document and ensuring compliance with relevant charity law.

The trustees are responsible for ensuring that the charity operates for the public benefit and in accordance with the guidance of the Charity Commission.

No governance changes were made during the reporting period.

3. Objectives and Activities

The charity's stated objectives are to:

- Support social and community development for individuals connected to the Basse Côte region and diaspora.
- Promote education, cultural development, and wellbeing.
- Advance charitable initiatives aimed at improving community cohesion and quality of life.

Activities from 18 May 2023 to 31 December 2023

During this initial period, **the charity did not undertake any formal charitable activities.** This was primarily due to the charity's focus on establishing its governance, registration, and administrative structure following its incorporation in May 2023.

No fundraising activities or programmes took place, and no income or expenditure was recorded.

4. Achievements and Performance

As the charity was newly registered and still in its setup phase, no activities or achievements were recorded for the period.

The trustees successfully:

- Completed the initial charity registration process
 - Established basic governance and administrative procedures
 - Began early planning discussions for future community-focused work
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5. Financial Review

Financial Position

From 18 May 2023 to 31 December 2023, the charity recorded:

- **Total income:** £0
- **Total expenditure:** £0
- **Funds at period end:** £0

No financial transactions took place during this period as the charity had not yet commenced operations.

Reserves Policy

As the charity had no financial activity during the period, no reserves policy was required. The trustees intend to establish an appropriate reserves policy once the charity begins receiving income and delivering activities.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

Given the charity's early stage and lack of financial activity, no significant risks were identified. The main consideration for future years remains sourcing funding and building operational capacity.

6. Plans for Future Periods

The trustees plan to:

- Develop the charity's first operational strategy
- Identify priority areas of need within the community
- Explore grant funding and fundraising avenues
- Build partnerships to support the charity's long-term mission

These plans were still under review at the end of 2023.

7. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Charity Commission.

They confirm that:

- Proper accounting records have been maintained, despite no financial activity
 - The report accurately reflects the charity's position for the period
 - The charity has complied with statutory obligations
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8. Approval of the Report

Approved by the Board of Trustees on: **17/11/2025**

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Bountouraby Keita,

Chair of Trustees

