

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOV 2024**

FOR

BURDETT FOUNDATION

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TRUSTEES REPORT

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 4 December 2023 to 30 November 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Object and aims:

Burdett Foundation (BF) is a community charity organisation, set up by the local community, for the local community. Services to develop, empower and support residents within Burdett Estate, London Borough of Tower Hamlets and Greater London.

Originally starting off from a community football club, our charities community projects aim to develop, empower, and inspire the local community, our motto is “More than just a football club”. Our projects include providing community outreach, football, youth, education, women’s empowerment, tackling poverty, community development and environmental sustainability. By participating fully in society, our service users will improve the quality of life, employability, social equity, self-determination for themselves, their loved ones and their peers. We use our local initiative, connection, circle of life model, through football to transform our local communities. Our core projects have won many awards including the Tower Hamlets Community Champions Award for our crucial services to the local community and the Inner London Football League Cup 2024.

The London Borough of Tower Hamlets is one of the fastest growing boroughs in the UK as well as being one of the most deprived boroughs in London. Burdett Estate is one of the most densely populated estates in the UK with high levels of poverty, deprivation, unemployment, health issues, crime, and inequalities. Our work is to level the playing field, from winning on the pitch as well and winning for our communities and loved ones. Most of our service users are predominantly Black, Asian, and Mixed Heritage backgrounds; many of them predominantly Bangladeshi origin. Our core projects include Burdett Football Club, Burdett Women’s Initiative and Burdett Centre.

Public Benefit

Our Trustees have reviewed the aims, objectives and strategy and believe that the activities undertaken within the Charity, is to fulfil its aims and objectives, are done so in the best interest for our community and public benefit.

The trustees confirm 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 under England and Wales.

Strategic Partnership

We act as a strategic organisation working with partners across the sector as well as statutory providers to enable members of the community to engage with service providers and to enable those providers to adapt services to better meet the needs of the community. We provide ideas and input into discussions and consultations on policy matters. Staff and trustees attend a range of internal and external meetings to help set the direction of the organisation and to share best practice and ideas. We work in consultation and partnership with the local community and statutory and voluntary agencies in developing our programmes, projects and service and responding to emerging need and new initiatives. We are widely involved in collaborative and partnership work and developed further opportunities by being actively involved in new initiatives locally. Partnership working benefits our users as it identifies information needs and gaps in provision, prevents duplication of services and enables accurate referral and to and from partnership organisations. It enables access to funding streams and increases our effectiveness and resilience through joint provision of services and the exchange of good practice, policies and information.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Acknowledgement

The charity aims to develop a diverse funding base for its activities. We continue to attract funding for various projects and services from a wide range of other sources, which include charitable trusts, private companies, donations and our own income generating activities. We would like to thank all our funders and supporters from Grantmakers, Housing Associations, Local Authorities and Charity Trust Foundations.

YEAR IN REVIEW

The following details are our proud achievements for the year to Nov 2024, cementing and building upon ongoing delivery of programmes, projects and services that continues to demonstrate that we remain rooted in community development.

Children & Young People

We engaged with 400+ children & young people across one of the most disadvantaged boroughs in London, working tirelessly to tackle antisocial behaviour, knife-crime and giving them opportunities to explore, learn and achieve through all our youth provisions.

Some of the provisions include:

- Health and wellbeing sessions.
- Youth Volunteering.
- Social Action programmes that touches on the environment and social issues.
- Education enrichment through study support and leadership development.
- Careers Advice and Employment support.
- Estate based youth diversion initiatives.
- Mentoring and educational workshops.

At Burdett Foundation our children and young people are at our highest level of priority. Our youngsters, particularly which engage with our footballing provisions gain much more, our provisions provide a chance to be part of something bigger. It's where they build confidence, learn about teamwork and discover their full potential. We are always here to help them stay focused and stay on track, because their future matters to us.

Sporting Pathway

Burdett Foundation uses sports to engage with disadvantaged communities and tackling community issues by entry level engagement sessions with the support and opportunity to progress to elite level and beyond. We have engaged with over 700+ beneficiaries, which take advantage of opportunities to simply participate or to compete in leagues, professional environments and other footballing competitions. We are more than just a football club, we are a community, a lifeline and a launchpad for young people to become champions in sport and in life. Through our Circle of Life model, children join our academies from the age of 8, training consistently, competing across London and learning discipline, resilience and teamwork. As they grow into our Youth pathway (16–21), they are then progressed into the men's senior team and after 35, onto the Veterans team where they continue to compete at a high level within the London Leagues. They are guided by elite coaches and mentors who have competed and won at the highest levels helping them strive for excellence on the pitch and beyond. Our mission goes far deeper than football. They don't just win games, they lead by example, uplift others, and inspire change in their communities.

Health & Wellbeing

Burdett Foundation promotes general healthy living as well addressing key issues in the ethnic minority community such as poor health, tackling poverty, women's empowerment and low levels of physical activities. These include regular physical activity sessions such as women's coffee mornings, therapeutic gardening, football, fitness as well as events, teambuilding trips, tournaments, annual sports days. Our successful family and women's engagement activities thrived across the borough engaging with amazing participants from BAME backgrounds participating regularly in health and fitness sessions.

Community Safety

Burdett Foundation organised projects and events to help create and strengthen community ties. Our Building Community Resilience initiative taught young people critical thinking and leadership skills. They organised a series of community competitions and events to tackle knife crime and bring together the community. We provide a strong alternative to crime, antisocial behaviour, and negative influences, offering young people a sense of purpose, belonging and belief in their potential. Many players go on to become coaches, mentors, and respected role models, giving back to the same pathway that helped shape them. Our Estate Based Sports and Youth sessions with the support of housing associations, partners and the local authority has provided positive engagement for local young people.

Community Development

We equip individuals from disadvantaged communities with the skills and experience they need to improve their prospects. Unemployment and a lack of adequate training and skills are issues that many face. Our ongoing workshops and volunteering opportunities, enhances our engagement with residents with our programme and activities. We have over 50 volunteers that are involved throughout our events and activities from diverse backgrounds. Our coaches and volunteers have been recognised at our Award Ceremony and with external awards and many of our beneficiaries have moved on to successful employment and other better opportunities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Funds in deficit

The charity received donations, grants and income totalling £42,590. After payments of outgoing expenses totalling £22,916, the charity was left with a surplus of £19,674 for the year. Throughout the year, the Board of Trustees reviewed quarterly management accounts and control was also exercised by the Directors in line with the Charity's Financial Management Policy.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity. The Charity is registered as a charity and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The board of trustees administers the charity. The trustees meet four times a year and there are committees covering Finance and Personnel. The trustees are responsible for setting general policy, finalising and approving the annual plan and budget, monitoring the charity and taking major decisions about the strategic direction of the charity and any capital expenditure. The Directors are appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity. To facilitate effective operations, the Chief Executive has delegated authority, within terms of delegation approved by the trustees, for operational matters including finance, employment and performance related activities. The executive directors lead on strategy, sustainability, business, partnership development and co-ordinates fundraising initiatives. The remaining staff are employed to manage and develop programmes, projects and service areas or have specific administration or premises-related responsibilities.

Risk management

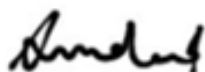
The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, those related to the operations and finances of the charity. These risks are formally documented and regularly reviewed, and the trustees are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the charity's exposure to significant risk.

The three main risks the charity faces are:

- Financial
- Reputational
- Staffing

Further any risk highlighted as high risk or issues arising are reported at each meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 16 June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mohammed Kamali – Chair

Date: 18 June 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Burdett Foundation (the Trust) for the period 4 December 2023 to 30 November 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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').

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS STATEMENT

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

accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or

the accounts do not accord with those records; or

the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



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Date: 18 June 2025

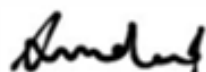
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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Period 4 December 2023 to 30 November 2024

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		Fund	Fund	Funds
	Notes	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies		90	42,500	42,590
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EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	2	660	22,256	22,916
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NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(570)	20,244	19,674
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		(570)	20,244	<u>19,674</u>

Burdett Foundation
Notes to the Financial Statements
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		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		Fund	Fund	Funds
	Notes	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash at bank		30	20,244	20,274
CREDITORS				
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(600)	-	(600)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(570)</u>	<u>20,244</u>	<u>19,674</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(570)</u>	<u>20,244</u>	<u>19,674</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>(570)</u>	<u>20,244</u>	<u>19,674</u>
FUNDS	5			
Unrestricted funds				(570)
Restricted funds				20,244
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>19,674</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 June 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



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Mohammed Kamali – Chair

Date: 18 June 2025

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to specific headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for specific restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

Support costs	22,916
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended 30 November 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the period ended 30 November 2024.

4. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Other creditors	600
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5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net movement in funds £	At 30.11.24 £
Unrestricted funds		
General fund	(570)	(570)
Restricted funds		
Restricted fund	20,244	20,244
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>19,674</u>	<u>19,674</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	90	(660)	(570)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	42,500	(22,256)	20,244
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TOTAL FUNDS	42,590	(22,916)	19,674

6. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the period ended 30 November 2024.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS

Donations and legacies

Donations	90
Grants	<u>42,500</u>

42,590

Total incoming resources

42,590

EXPENDITURE

Support costs

Management

Advertising	540
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Finance

Bank charges	60
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Other

Telephone	120
Postage and stationery	147
Travel and subsistence	36
Repairs and maintenance	580
Event expenses	882
Website charges	12
Equipment expensed	921
Freelancer Fees	18,575
Staff training	<u>443</u>

21,716

Governance costs

Accountancy and legal fees	<u>600</u>
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Total resources expended

22,916

Net income

19,674

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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