

Charity registration number: 1206113

KASKOSAN

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2025.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

KaskoSan CIO's purpose is to advance the wellbeing, inclusion and equality of Roma communities and other marginalised groups across the UK, particularly in the areas of health, education, culture, community engagement and social inclusion.

During the reporting period, the organisation continued to deliver extensive voluntary and community-based activities across Greater Manchester and West Yorkshire, including Oldham, Bolton, Rochdale, Salford, Levenshulme, Bury and Bradford.

The charity continued to support highly vulnerable Roma families experiencing multiple forms of exclusion, including poverty, housing insecurity, barriers to healthcare, educational exclusion, food insecurity, language barriers and unresolved immigration status following Brexit.

Origins and Evolution of the Organisation

KaskoSan CIO was formally registered with the Charity Commission on 7 December 2023. However, the roots of the organisation extend significantly further. Since 31 July 2014, the organisation has operated as KaskoSan Limited, a company limited by guarantee with charitable objectives and extensive grassroots experience supporting Roma communities across the North of England.

Prior to the establishment of the limited company, KaskoSan existed since 2008 as one of the first international Roma-led cultural and digital platforms promoting Romani culture, language, identity and community advocacy.

The creation of the CIO structure represented the continuation and strengthening of an already established body of work rather than the establishment of a completely new organisation. The trustees decided to establish a new CIO structure in order to provide clearer charitable governance, stronger public accountability and a more sustainable long-term framework for community work.

KaskoSan Limited continued to operate during the reporting period and delivered a wide range of projects aligned with the charitable aims of the CIO. During the financial year ending 31 July 2025, KaskoSan Limited recorded a turnover of £70,085, compared to £51,444 during the previous financial year.

Although the CIO itself recorded only limited direct financial activity during this reporting period, the organisation continued to undertake substantial charitable and voluntary activities through partnership work, volunteer-led engagement and projects delivered through KaskoSan Limited in alignment with the CIO's charitable purposes.

The organisation received one payment of £150 into the KaskoSan CIO bank account during the reporting period as a symbolic contribution towards participation costs linked to GOBE Fest in Manchester.

The charity currently supports well over 1,000 families across Greater Manchester and surrounding areas. Many supported households include three or more children, and a significant number experience severe poverty, poor housing conditions, mental ill health, social isolation and complex immigration-related vulnerabilities.

The organisation's work is strongly informed by the lived experiences of Roma communities affected by longstanding systemic antigypsyism, discrimination and exclusion. The trustees recognise that many Roma families continue to face major barriers when attempting to access healthcare, education, employment, housing and public services.

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At the same time, the organisation remains committed to celebrating and preserving Romani culture, language and identity through arts, cultural participation, community organising and educational activities.

Objectives, strategies and activities

Support for Roma Families in Bradford

KaskoSan continued to provide extensive voluntary support for Roma families living primarily in the BD5 and BD8 postcode areas of Bradford. The organisation supported approximately 150 individuals from highly vulnerable Roma communities originating from Eastern Slovakia, including both Romani-speaking and Hungarian-speaking groups.

Many adults within these communities experience significant literacy barriers and do not speak or read Slovakian despite originating from Slovakia. A large proportion of supported individuals speak Romani language or Hungarian as their primary language.

The charity provided intensive support regarding the EU Settlement Scheme, helping vulnerable families who had not yet resolved their immigration status following Brexit. Many supported individuals were at risk of homelessness, severe poverty and exclusion from employment, housing and public services due to unresolved immigration status.

Support included helping individuals reconstruct their residency history, gather evidence, understand correspondence, submit first-time applications and upgrade from pre-settled to settled status. Due to widespread distrust, vulnerability and language barriers, this work required extensive face-to-face and long-term support in Romani language and dialects.

The organisation also supported members of the community in preparing for cultural participation and music and dance performances linked to Bradford community festivals and cultural activities.

Oldham Health Community Champions Project

The organisation continued delivering the Oldham Health Community Champions Project, supporting Roma residents experiencing barriers when accessing NHS services and wider healthcare systems.

Roma volunteers and community members were supported to improve awareness of healthcare rights, vaccination access, child immunisations and health inequalities affecting Roma communities in Greater Manchester.

The project also strengthened communication between Roma residents and local services while identifying ongoing structural barriers linked to discrimination, language exclusion and mistrust of institutions.

Household Support and Crisis Support Activities

KaskoSan continued to support vulnerable Roma and non-Roma households through emergency crisis support activities, primarily in Oldham and wider Greater Manchester.

The organisation supported families experiencing food shortages, financial hardship and severe poverty, including families unable to access public funds because of unresolved immigration status.

More than 700 households were supported through Household Support Fund related activities delivered through KaskoSan Limited and through wider volunteer-led community support networks.

Support included emergency food provision, household essentials, school uniform support, crisis advice, referrals and practical advocacy for vulnerable families.

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Vaccination and Health Engagement Activities

The organisation also continued supporting vaccination awareness and engagement activities amongst Roma communities, including COVID-19 vaccinations and child immunisation awareness work.

This work aimed to improve trust in healthcare systems and reduce misinformation and barriers preventing Roma families from accessing preventative healthcare services.

EU Settlement Scheme and Immigration Support

Throughout the reporting period, KaskoSan continued extensive voluntary work supporting Roma families with unresolved EU Settlement Scheme cases across Greater Manchester and West Yorkshire.

Many families approaching the organisation had previously been referred to externally funded support services but remained unable to resolve their cases due to language barriers, literacy difficulties and highly complex circumstances.

The charity continued supporting families in multiple Romani dialects including Horse Dealer, Carpathian, Coppersmith and Bear Trainer Romani dialects.

All cases supported by the organisation during the reporting period were successfully resolved. The work often involved highly intensive support, evidence gathering, communication with public authorities and long-term case management.

The organisation also supported approximately 15 complex immigration-related cases connected to deportation risks and legal proceedings at Dallas Court in Manchester.

Roma Connections II Project

During the reporting period, KaskoSan continued the Roma Connections II project in partnership with the University of Salford.

The project involved supporting 15 women from the Romanian Roma Bear Trainer community to develop community research skills and gather oral histories relating to migration, family life, identity and lived experiences in Eastern Europe and the United Kingdom.

Participants were supported to document stories from within their own communities through participatory and community-led research approaches.

As part of this project, KaskoSan co-produced what is believed to be the first animated film produced in the UK in Romani language. The animation incorporated Romani music and storytelling traditions and attracted national and international media attention.

The completed animation film began being submitted to festivals and screenings across the UK following its completion.

Whitworth Art Gallery Partnership and Cultural Participation

KaskoSan continued its partnership activities with the Whitworth Art Gallery in Manchester linked to the exhibition of internationally recognised Roma artist Małgorzata Mirga-Tas.

The organisation supported more than 200 participants, primarily from Roma communities across Greater Manchester, to attend exhibitions, cultural events and workshops connected to the exhibition programme.

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For many participants, this represented the first experience of visiting an art gallery or engaging with formal cultural institutions.

The trustees believe this work was historically significant due to the very limited representation of Roma and Gypsy communities within mainstream arts institutions in Greater Manchester.

The project also created opportunities for dialogue around antigypsyism, discrimination and Roma cultural identity while celebrating Roma creativity and participation in public cultural life.

Roma Women's Activities and Choir Performances

The organisation delivered activities specifically supporting Roma women, including pottery workshops, cultural activities, wellbeing sessions and informal mental health support activities.

Roma women participating in these activities also performed publicly as part of the Roma Ladies Choir at community and cultural events, including performances at Hack Oldham and at the Whitworth Art Gallery during the opening programme for the Małgorzata Mirga-Tas exhibition in April 2025.

These activities supported confidence building, cultural pride, social inclusion and community participation amongst Roma women.

International Roma Day and Roma Resistance Day

KaskoSan organised and participated in events celebrating International Roma Day on 8 April 2025 and Roma Resistance Day on 16 May 2025.

These activities aimed to promote awareness of Roma history, identity, culture and historical experiences while challenging prejudice and antigypsyism.

The organisation worked with community members, artists, volunteers and partner organisations to create spaces for cultural celebration, education and public dialogue.

GOBE Fest Participation

During the reporting period, KaskoSan CIO received £150 as a symbolic contribution towards costs associated with participation in GOBE Fest, a Manchester-based Eastern European music and dance festival.

The funding supported travel expenses and refreshments for Roma community participants travelling from Bolton and Oldham to attend and participate in the festival.

The event provided opportunities for Roma community members to engage in intercultural celebration and public cultural participation alongside other Eastern European communities.

Public benefit

All the activities during the year were aimed at the members of public and are for public benefit. More than a thousand people have benefitted from our activities. Health Community Project is of the benefit to all the community as health and care effects everyone. Youth Blogger Training project will result in access to useful information for every member of the community. Roma Community Club is open to everyone as is Advice and Support for Roma residents.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have

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due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

Charity is governed by the constitution of the organisation, various Charities Acts and Charity Commission Regulations. The Board of trustees meet regularly to oversee the charity's activities and ensure compliance with its charitable objectives.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed for their commitment to the objectives of the charity and for their experience and commitment in the field.

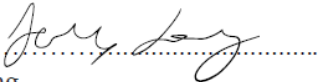
Induction and training of trustees

Trustees are normally fully experienced at the time of joining and are given full induction.

Arrangements for setting key management personnel remuneration

Trustees give their time free of charge and are not remunerated for their services.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 27 May 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Janos Lang
Chairman and trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

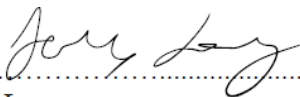
The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 29 May 2026 and signed on its behalf by:



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Janos Lang
Chairman and trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of KASKOSAN

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of KASKOSAN for the year ended 31 July 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of KASKOSAN 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 KASKOSAN's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of KASKOSAN as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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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29 May 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025

| | Note | Total 2025 £ |
|------------------------------------|------|--------------------|
| Income and Endowments from: | | |
| Expenditure on: | | |
| Net income/(expenditure) | |- |
| Net movement in funds | |- |
| Reconciliation of funds | | |
| Total funds carried forward | | _____ - |

There were no financial transactions carried out during the above period.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2025

| | Note | 2025 £ |
|-----------------------|------|-----------|
| Funds of the charity: | | |
| Total funds | | <hr/> |

The financial statements on pages 7 to 12 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 29 May 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

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Janos Lang
Chairman and trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025

1. Accounting policies:

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

KASKOSAN meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS I 02. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

Expenditure

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025 (continued)

2 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming/outgoing resources for the period include:

2025
£

3 **Trustees remuneration and expenses** - No financial transactions took place during the period.

4 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

5 **Funds** - No financial transactions took place during the period.

6 **Analysis of net assets between funds** - No financial transactions took place during the period.

7 **Related party transactions** - No financial transactions took place during the period.