HANLEY CROUCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION





Annual Report 2011/2012

Hanley Crouch Community Association informally known as the "Laundry" Charity No. 288337 Company No 1771608

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COMPANY INFORMATION

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Company Number

1771608 (England & Wales)

Charity number

288337

The Trustees present their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2012.

Brief history & Aims of the organisation

We are a multi-purpose Community Association operating in Tollington Ward, in North Islington, in London. Our Association was set up originally in 1972 by a group of local parents who needed somewhere for their children to play. We are a multi-cultural organisation that celebrates diversity and inclusion.

We aim to provide services to the whole community irrespective of age, gender, race, disability or sexual orientation. All are welcome to our centre, known locally as "The Laundry".

Over the last forty years we have had and will continue to have a major influence for the good in our community, providing a stable base in a rapidly changing environment.

From 2009 onward Hanley Crouch Community Association decided to informally rename ourselves "The Laundry".

Our Aim

The Laundry will:

Improve the lives of people in our local community and to promote community involvement and community cohesion through the delivery of services needed for children, young people and the elderly.

Specific Aims

The Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit (section 4 of the 2006 Act) has been considered when applying the objectives of the Charity.

The Laundry will:

- · increase the involvement of local people in their community;
- · insist newcomers to feel part of the community;
- reduce barriers caused by class, race, ethnicity, age and/or disability;
- reduce social isolation and raise self esteem;
- assist people to make informed choices through access to advice, information and support;
- empower people to make their views known to the people and organisations who affect their lives;
- improve health and well being;
- improve life chances through access to education, training and work;

The Organisation

Hanley Crouch is a charity, constituted as a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital, and as such the members of the committee of management are both Trustees of the charity and Directors of the company. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. One third of the members are subject to re-election each year. No management committee member has any beneficial interest in any contract with the Association. Management committee members guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. Management committee members are members of the charity but this entitles them only to voting rights.

The Board of Trustees has been steadily strengthened over the last year and is now a mix of people who are close to the users and those who bring professional experience from other fields and those who do both.

Trustees are co-opted during the year and then formally elected to the Board at the annual general meeting. New Trustees complete an application form and equal opportunities monitoring form and are then interviewed by two Trustees. They are provided with copies of previous annual reports, audited accounts, trustee staff handbook, committee minutes, and bullet points from the Charity Commission on responsibilities of trustees, and a current staff structure. They are also supported by a named Trustee during their induction.

The Board meets on the last Thursday of each month (except for August and December) to discuss operational matters and to formulate policy. The Board determines the general policy of charitable company and delegates it to the centre manager.

The members who served during the year were:

S Sturgeon [Chair]

K Edwards

L Cristie (resigned March 2012)

S Trezise (Appointed ____ 2011)

Cllr R Watts [Secretary]

J Corbyn MP

P Trench (Vice Chair)

D Henry

A Nwodo

J R Kaseki

The day to day management is carried out by Colin Adams who is responsible to the Trustees.

A special mention and thanks to Lisa Cristie who left the organisation in March 2012.

CHILDREN SERVICES

TEAM ACTIVE

The After School Club and Holiday Play Scheme continue to thrive, with 59 children aged between of 5 and 12 years old currently registered. Around 20 benefit from the club on a weekly basis, with the Holiday Play Scheme attracting over 30 children each day.

Islington is a borough of extremes. Its image as a place where 'wealthy' people live often masks the reality that it is the 5th most deprived borough in the country, with the lowest levels of access to green and open space.

"I got better at being calm when someone is annoying me"

AK aged 8

Team Active offers planned on-site and off-site activities to enable young children to explore, learn and take risks in a safe and controlled environment. The curriculum supports the learning of key life skills in a fun and inclusive setting - encouraging the development of self-confidence, esteem and awareness through participation.

"I like the club because they give everyone opportunity, they don't discriminate against borough and people who unwell and special needs and they treat everyone equally, my son likes it very much"

Parent

We strive to create an inclusive environment where all children feel equally valued and able to reach their full potential, regardless of the pressures and challenges they individually face in life. This is achieved through the provision of an accessible service tailored to meet the needs of local children from all backgrounds and abilities, giving them space and structure to interact and mix. Our diversity is enriched further by our inclusive project which is currently attended by 6 children with complex disabilities ranging from autism, hearing impairment, cerebral palsy, ADHD, rheumatoid arthritis and OCD.

Activities over the past year have included cooking, crafts, sports, excursions, performance and team games. These are delivered alongside out of hours learning and homework support. To increase access to nature, the children have had the opportunity to work with the Wild Life Project and taken part in bird box making, bird watching, pond dipping, wild life watching and spring activities.

We have a team of qualified play workers, including a Special Educational Needs Coordinator and are registered, inspected and approved by OFSTED. Our services also extend to a collection service to pick up from two local schools to escort children safely to the club, offering a low cost childcare solution to empower parents with

greater flexibility over their working hours. In future, we will also be able to provide laptops for use at the club or on loan.

STAY & PLAY

The Stay and Play is a free drop in session for under fives. Sessions run Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10:00 am- 12:00 noon and we currently have over 170 families registered, with an average of 60 children and families accessing our services daily.

In providing a friendly meeting place to get out of the home and socialise, make new friends or gain access to information and guidance, the service creates an outlet for families in the local area to interact with other members of the community. In doing so, we aim to address issues of isolation experienced by some of our more vulnerable families, by giving them a connection to other areas of support available. Overcrowding issues have limited our ability to meet demand previously, however to address this, we have decided to increase capacity to extend our work to more parents and their children.

The Stay and Play provides an opportunity for parents and their children to play and interact with other children, parents and carers. Play is vital for children and helps them to develop and understand the world around them.

We work in line with the government Early Years Foundation Stage which means we do weekly planning if sessions and focus on the primary EYFS aim of helping all children have best possible start in life.

TOY LIBRARY

Our Toy Library runs in conjunction with the Stay and Play sessions, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10am – 12noon. Families are able to borrow a wide range of toys free of charge. We have over 200 parents registered and 20 parents and families use the services on weekly bases. The service is aimed at supporting deprived families who cannot afford to buy toys a wide variety of toys to support their Childs growing development.

We have lent over toys to a number of local parents and will continue to provide a more extensive range and diverse to cater for the needs of our community.

YOUNG PEOPLE SERVICES

IN TOUCH PROJECT

In Touch was a project for young people at risk of exclusion from school. It provides an early intervention service to identify the barriers preventing young people from successfully engaging with education, training or employment to help them build a positive future for themselves.

Our activities and literacy work centre around of 'themes of work', based on topics relevant to our young people. This structure creates an opportunity for them to discuss, express opinions and seek clarity where necessary about issues that affect their lives. The themes address areas such as depression and teenage domestic violence as they arise amongst members of the group, alongside relevant issues frequently spotlighted in the media such as cyber-bullying and the consequences of youth crime.

One of the most successful 'themes of work' has been a cross-curricular literacy and history project in which the young people read and discuss articles about life in the 1940s or 50s. They then formulate and practice questions which are used to interview someone with memories of the era. The exercise creates a supportive environment through which the young people have the opportunity to practice giving and receiving feedback, an effective tool which is then be utilised to build confidence as an interviewee.

Over the past year, we have supported a young person with autism who had never experienced school and worked with young people from Islington Arts & Media, Holloway, Highbury Fields and St. Mary Magdalene schools to provide practical tools, experience and skills to help them untangle and cope with challenges in their life.

Disadvantaged young people often have complex problems which can act as a barrier to positive interactions with the world around them. Drug abuse, dysfunctional family backgrounds, 'oppositional defiance disorder', a terminally ill lone parent and attention deficiency are common issues impacting on the young people we work with. Through the project, we aim to help equip and motivate the young people so they feel are more empowered, responsible and engaged in building positive future for themselves.

We worked over the past year with a total of eight students and are proud of the results they have achieved. Amongst our successes, four students have returned to education to study for G.C.S.E.s, with a further two remaining with us to continue participation in the project. The connections we have made with young people have also had long term benefit by providing a trusted source of support to turn to when faced with new challenges or difficulties. Of the students in previous years, three turned to us this year for help with homelessness, fear of gang violence and general advice and encouragement. We have also had the opportunity to provide a work placement for a past student who approached us to gain experience in reception and administration skills to improve their employment prospects.

The Hanley Crouch Youth Club runs 3 evenings per week for young people between the ages of 13-19. It is a place where young people can come together in an inclusive environment to relax, engage with others and participate in a portfolio of activities ranging from team games and sports to creative projects such as music and photography sessions. Our projects and activities are tailored to respond to evidenced based needs of the communities of young people we support and this shapes our priorities and objectives. Below is summary of the themes that the youth team has focused on:

Youth Employment

The borough of Islington has the 2nd highest rate of child poverty in the UK, a problem further compounded by high rates of youth unemployment amongst the local youth community. To meet the demand for support in assisting and preparing local young people for working life, we have prioritised employment as a key theme of our work over the past year.

We partnered with HFI and Arsenal to deliver employment projects for local young people, targeting support in preparation for applications and interviews whilst providing opportunities to work within Delaware, the Emirate's catering service. This was developed into an accredited course through which the young people were able to gain an Edexcel employment qualification, with participants celebrating their achievements with a special ceremony in the Emirates stadium.

Other highlights included a very successful collaboration with GS Global LTD and RST Limited to create opportunities for our young people to work in the Olympics, gain SIA badges and relevant qualifications in security and employment. Work was reinforced by the provision of CV building workshops and interview skill sessions during the youth club sessions which achieved impressive results, supporting 20 young people into employment over the course of the year.

Conflict & Resolution

Thanks to the support of Homes for Islington, we ran a summer scheme which included conflict and resolutions workshops delivered by Inspire. 28 young people engaged in the sessions which created an awareness of the different forms of conflict and resolution, with participants being challenged to evaluate their perceptions.

This helped them to distinguish the difference between fact and interpretation, reaction and response and resonated well with participants who often have to tackle difficult situations in their daily lives. We aimed to help young people learn and grow in an inspiring environment so also provided film nights, music workshops and a trip to Thorpe Park, encouraging relationship bonding amongst the group and providing an outlet to relax and have fun.

Healthy Living

Fitness and nutrition was a major theme of our delivery this year and we achieved this through the incorporation of a running club, fitness sessions and healthy eating education into club sessions. Learning was approached holistically through structured practical tasks and hands on experience, delivering a balanced curriculum

to encourage awareness of factors influencing mental and physical wellbeing. We ran weekly cookery skills training workshops and following positive feedback, built on their success by seeking out further opportunities for the participants to develop their interest.

In response, we created the opportunity for the group to attend Jamie Oliver's Kitchen, Fifteen, where they benefitted from a 3 week course of professional workshops. It enabled them to gain a better understanding of health and safety, hygiene, food budgeting and how to prepare a variety of dishes; creating new experiences and furthering life skills in preparation for independent living.

Fitness sessions promoted the benefits of exercise through a package of practical and theoretical sessions. Activities such as circuit training and long distance running were complimented with discussions around exercise's physical, mental and emotional implications, with nutritional session's also building awareness of the effects various foods types have on the body. The young people cooked healthy dishes as part of the project and were given responsibility for managing the budget for ingredients, aiding their development in planning and financial life skills and entrusting them with greater control over the outcome of their efforts.

Achievement is celebrated at Youth Club and this year we awarded some of our young people with a Jack Petchy Award for taking steps towards a positive future, as well as participating well in activities. The team also proudly to received Homes for Islington's the Partnership Award for our work during the period 2011-2012.

SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES

CONGOLESE STOP SMOKING PROJECT

One of our key aims as a Community Hub is to engage and support smaller community groups in the ward and the surrounding area. With this in mind, we launched the Congolese Network Forum which was set up to support Black and Minority Ethnic Communities with a particular focus on the Congolese Community which has a significant presence in Islington and the surrounding areas.

Research has established a link between the lack of engagement with BME communities (in particular African Communities) and local services offering health. education and employment support. The evidence identified a higher percentage of smokers in African communities in comparison to the national average, so our project initially targets support for smoking cessation to address this issue and as a bridge understanding and overcoming the barriers to help the Congolese community engage with local services efficiently.

We have worked with the group on providing a stop smoking project which developed into a more generic project around raising awareness of health issues amongst the BME communities. We worked with several local organizations and this

culminated in Congolese Health Day in December where around 50 people attended to listen to discussions on depression, heart disease and AIDS.

NHS HEALTH CHECKS

During the course of the year, we ran a series of NHS Health Checks (in partnership with Health Smart), for local residents, as we had indentified a need for such services.

Participants had to be between the ages of 37/74 and either be a resident in Islington or registered to an Islington GP to be eligible as this was the age group considered most at risk. Participants were tested for the following:

- High Blood Pressure
- High Cholesterol
- Kidney Disease
- Heart Disease
- Diabetes

A trained health adviser discussed the results with individuals and gave them advice and support on maintaining good health, and leading a healthier lifestyle.

Over 150 people engaged in these days and we intend to continue running the service in the next financial year, with workshops also being cascaded to local residential housing estates.

OLDER PEOPLE'S SERVICES

We have continued to host our popular Weekenders lunch group on Fridays & Saturdays. It provides a healthy warm meal for over 50's in a friendly & welcoming environment. It is a culturally diverse group that celebrates all religions with special events throughout the year.

The Weekenders offer regular day trips during the summer to a variety of places, which this year included visits to Bournemouth and Blackpool. The group is also has informal links with other older person's group in the area, extending access to a broader social network that can then come together for special events such as Christmas dinners and other social events.

During the year we were approach by a volunteer wishing to help setup an Arts & Crafts class, which now runs on Monday mornings. The group uses various techniques along a wide range of different projects including glassware decoration,

children's games and card making. They aim to become self-sustaining by selling some the products they make in order to by more materials for the group.

LOCAL TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATIONS

In our role as Community Hub for the Tollington ward, we work with tenants and residents associations from the local housing estates to provide office facilities, hall loans and support.

We run regular Ward Partnership meetings for community groups and interested parties to liaise directly with Council and other organisations within the Tollington area. The partnerships are a way for people and organisations in a ward to get involved, meet their councillors, share their knowledge and to help tackle local issues.

COMMUNITY LIBRARY

In partnership with HCCA, we have been running The Community Library service, for over 7 years. It continues to provide a useful service for local people offering a wide range of popular books. The library is hosted in conjunctions with Stay and Play activity on Tuesday mornings creating convenient link which has greatly benefited parents / carers taking their young children to the centre.

Local residents continue to use the library and we receive lots of positive feedback about the high of the quality of material on offer and of the commitment of the staff. Between April 2011 and April 2012, over 300 items were been taken out by local people and over 50 new residents registered, joining the large number of regulars, who already make the most of the community library.

The library is very informal, free to use and has been established for many years now. It is very well used and the visitor numbers are increasing.

VOLUNTEERING/WORK PLACEMENTS

As an organisation, without the support of our volunteers, we would not be able to provide the range of services that we currently deliver. We also provide work placements for students studying social work, community or youth work qualifications.

Hanley Crouch has a long tradition of working with volunteers and all the projects we currently run have volunteers working with them. They provide a vital service and many of our volunteers have gone onto full time employment within the project they have worked with or within similar settings.

We also aim to provide work placement students/volunteers a rewarding and fulfilling experience within our organisation which should equip them with the necessary skills, behaviours and attitudes to progress within their chosen field.

However, I do want to stress that there are a number of different volunteering opportunities and we would meet prior to you starting to determine what you would like to get out of the opportunity. Please speak to any member of staff if you are interested in volunteering.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people who have volunteered at the Laundry over the past year:

- Mrs Kasum Taylor
- Dorothy Beccano
- Daniella Tyler
- Karlisha Price
- Gladys Foli
- Wayne Thomas
- David Ogbeide
- Elizabeth Lubega
- Cordatus Mulkozi
- Edna Padmore-Wood
- Marsida Maxhiashallani
- Ijes Marshall
- Frances Forsyth
- Abi Hardy
- Carol Myers-Nobbs
- Vjollca Loshi

CENTRE MANAGER'S REPORT

Last year I spoke about the transition of the centre which had issues of its future to the impending cuts and we didn't really know what that would mean. Sadly we do now and the effect has been devastating. Our budget has been cut by around a fifth and we have had to stop a couple of projects due to funding issues.

It is even more essential that we look at providing services that are responsive; evidence based and provides value for money as well as maximising impact. With this in mind, I am sure that our membership of the Community Hub network will' provide a foundation for taking our community engagement programme forward.

However, we have continued to be positive and develop new relationships with different sectors of the community that we wouldn't usually use our centre. Our Congolese Network project has allowed us to work with one of Islington's newer refugee communities and we now fully appreciate the challenges faced by residents for which English is a second language and feel particularly disengaged and don't access many of the local services due to a combination of lack of knowledge as well as distrust. We hope the next year will allow us to develop this partnership and enable the Congolese Community to lead and develop or access services needed by their colleagues.

The recession has hit Islington hard. The Council have been forced to make cuts to services that have affected some of our most vulnerable groups in our communities and this will continue for a number of years as we know the austerity measures will last for a number of years and there are more to come in 2015.

The Welfare Reform changes that will take place in the next year will have a huge impact and it is essential that we work collaboratively with similar organisations to provide joined up services so that the limited funds out there stretch further. We will not survive if we don't.

Whilst this may sound gloomy it presents an exciting opportunity to work differently. It also means that we need to continue to develop our volunteering projects and look at developing partnership working with other local community groups to respond to local need based on continuous consultation and dialogue with local residents and strategic partners.

The Ward Partnership meetings allows us to meet with all the local councillors and local key delivery agents such as the resident social landlords to identify local priorities and formulate an action plan to address them quickly and effectively. Issues covered over the last year include looking at green space issues; street cleaning; crime and anti social behaviour and children services.

We will continue to improve and look forward to a rewarding and challenging year.

Colin Adams MBE

Centre Manager

CHAIR'S REPORT

One of our Trustees likened a community centre to a bus. People use a bus for a variety of reasons. Some get on just to get from A to B, others stay on for the whole journey, some enjoy the company, others to discover new destinations.

Hanley Crouch fits this analogy perfectly. We strive to provide our passengers with the journey they want or need in a timely manner and to make the journey as pleasant as possible on the way.

The success stories this year have been:

- Deficit has reduced significantly as we continue to improve our infrastructure (from 68 to 17);
- Appointment of a treasurer has helped enormously;
- 40 years as an organisation and your own personal reflections of the changing demographics/users of the centre/area;
- The fact that Islington Council have funded us a "Community Hub" and we are guaranteed funding up to 2015;
- Volunteer award/Visible Award; (2012/13)
- The recession and the increased demands for our services:
- The need to work with other community organisations to secure long term funding/services;

There are new destinations on the horizon. Plans are afoot for a potential move to a new home or improvement to our current one. This will bring some great new opportunities for expansion.

So thanks must be extended once again to the driver, conductor, technicians, engineers and timekeepers that have kept the bus running for another year. (That is our Centre Manager, Colin Adams, the Staff, Volunteers, Trustees and Funders).

Sally Sturgeon Chair of Trustees

FUNDERS

We would like to thank our funders for their continuing support and confidence in our work. They are:

Breadsticks Foundation Community Alliance Ernest Cook Trust Homes For Islington Jack Petchey Award LBI Children's Services

LBI Early Years Services LBI Integrated Services for Young People LBI Regeneration Mercers Trust NHS Islington North Islington Nursery School

STAFF WHO HAVE LEFT

Thanks to all our staff, including the following that left this year:

Dorothy Beccano Gaynor Brown Georges Tafon Ronald Bates Syeda F Pasha

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

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

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year 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 those accounts the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply 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 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. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware and each trustee has taken steps that they ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Committee of Management have identified the major risks to which the charity may be exposed and have set up systems and procedures to mitigate risks. There are sound internal controls in force to safeguard the charity's assets. Risks have been categorised and areas of risk identified.

RESERVES POLICY

Hanley Crouch intends to be around for a long time and so funds need to be designated for that. Accordingly in line with its Strategy Plan it has designated a fund for Long-term Strategies, on which to build and ensure continuity. The Trustees would like to have the necessary unrestricted funds of at least three months' expenditure to create a stable infrastructure in which to grow and develop in an increasingly challenging time. Where it cannot always have unrestricted reserves, it fundraises carefully to have restricted funds secured for the various activities and projects and so maintains a greater diversification of funding sources.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by charities and with the small company regime (section 419 (2)) of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees have complied with their duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Approved by the management committee on $\frac{29}{12}$ and signed on its behalf by

A Bannin - Treasurer

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the financial statements of HANLEY CROUCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION for the year ended 31st March 2012 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities. Balance Sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities).

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies, we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2012 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other requirement of the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the charity has not kept adequate accounting records, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or

we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

C A Graham (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Simpson Wreford & Co, Statutory Auditors Wellesley House, Duke of Wellington Avenue London SE18 6SS

Dated: 30.11.12

Statement of Financial Activities (Including Income & Expenditure Account) For The Year Ended 31 March 2012

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			Revenue	Capital		
		Unrestricted	restricted	restricted	2012	2011
		funds	funds	funds	Total	Total
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources Incoming resources from Generated Funds	÷					
Voluntary Income	2	260	_	-	260	1,005
Investment Income	3	6	-	-	6	2,954
Incoming resources from Charitable Activities						
Laundry Resource Centre		103,925	14,929	-	118,854	115,660
After School Club		22,342	34,301	-	56,643	39,970
Youth Centre		8,560	41,149	-	49,709	55,805
Services for Older People				-	-	10,327
Services for Under 5's		11,952	7,370	_	19,322	2,743
Future Jobs Scheme		-		-	-	63,264
Congolese Health Project		-	12,534	-	12,534	
Total incoming resources	-	147,045	110,283	*	257,328	291,728
Resources expended Cost of Generating Funds Fundraising		-	-	-	-	500
Charitable Activities						
Laundry Resource Centre		37,403	16,011	4,430	57,844	123,021
After School Club		-	66,703	-,,,,,,,	66,703	44,873
Youth Centre		_	81,541	_	81,541	73,739
Services for Older People		3,709	01,041	_	3,709	20,469
Services for Under 5's		0,100	19,635	_	19,635	10,979
Building Development		27,190	10,000		27,190	27,190
Future Jobs Scheme		21,100	_	_	27,100	52,808
Congolese Health Project		_	12,534	_	12,534	-
Congolose Healart Toject			12,004			
Governance costs	_	5,834	Me.	_	5,834	6,950
Total resources expended	6 _	74,136	196,424	4,430	274,990	360,529
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers	7	72,909	(86,141)	(4,430)	(17,662)	(68,801)
Transfers		(85,281)	85,281	-		
Net movement in funds	_	(12,372)	(860)	(4,430)	(17,662)	(68,801)
Reconciliation of funds						
Funds at the start of the year		18,993	860	29,532	49,385	118,186
Funds at the end of the year	-	6,621	-	25,102	31,723	49,385
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The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes to the accounts form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet At 31 March 2012

			2012	2011
	Notes	£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	10		57,702	89,322
Current assets				
Debtors	11	25,442		32,176
Cash at bank and in hand		36,612		35,537
 		62,054		67,713
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	76,033		85,650
Net current liabilities/assets			(13,979)	(17,937)
			43,723	71,385
Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year	13		12,000	22,000
Net assets			31,723	49,385
Represented by				
Restricted funds:				
Revenue			-	860
Capital			25,102	29,532
Unrestricted funds:			0.004	40.000
General			6,621	18,993
Total funds	14		31,723	49,385

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

A Bannin, Treasurer

Approved on behalf of the board on 29./11./..... 2012

Company number - 01771608 (England and Wales)

Notes to the Accounts - 31 March 2012

1. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, an in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in March 2005, as applicable, and in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

(b) Incoming resources

Grants are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which they are receivable. Grants for the purchase of fixed assets (including site improvements) are credited to restricted incoming resources on the earlier date of when received or when they are receivable.

Donated services and facilities are recognised as an incoming resource where the provider of the service has incurred a financial cost. Volunteer time is not included in the financial statements.

(c) Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the year in which they are incurred. Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Resources expended are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity.

Charitable activities costs include the direct cost of providing services, as well as a share of overheads. Core staff costs have been allocated to charitable activities on the following basis: After School Club 20%, Laundry Centre 17%, Congolese Stop Smoking project 3%, In Touch 20%, Under 5s 20%, Youth Project 20%

The costs of generating funds relate to the costs incurred by the charitable company in raising funds for the charitable work.

Governance costs include the cost of compliance with the charity's constitutional and statutory requirements.

Overheads costs are allocated to core funding.

(d) Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided using the following rates and bases to reduce by annual instalments the cost, less estimated residual value, of the tangible assets over their estimated useful lives:-

Leasehold improvements

Straight line over the 10 years

Fixtures and equipment

33% straight line

Motor vehicles

15% reducing balance

Items of equipment are capitalised where the purchase price exceeds £1000 except where the item is expected to have a life expectancy of less than two years' good use.

(e) Creditors

Liabilities are recognised where a probable future transfer of economic benefits exists.

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(f) Rentals

Rentals payable under operating leases are taken to the statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

(g) Restricted funds

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as lay down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

(h) Designated funds

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Management Committee for particular purposes.

(i) Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

(j) Capital funds

Capital funds are restricted funds which are received for a capital purpose, depreciation of leasehold improvements is charged against this fund.

2 Voluntary Income	Restricted	Unrestricted	2012	2011
	£	£	£	£
Whittington Park Community Centre	-	-	-	1,005
Donations		260	260_	
Total	per .	260	260	1,005
3 Investment Income	Restricted	Unrestricted	2012	2011
	£	£	£	£
Bank interest received	-	6_	6_	2,954_
Total	-	6_	6_	2,954
4 Revenue Grants	Restricted	Unrestricted	2012	2011
	£	£	£	£
Awards for All	-	-	-	8,363
Four Acres	-	-	-	3,000
Future Jobs	-	-	_	63,263
Jack Petchey Foundation	1,990	-	1,990	400
LB Islington	53,670	-	53,670	63,990
Breadsticks Foundation	25,000	-	25,000	_
North Islington Nurseries	-	11,748	11,748	-
NHS Islington	11,034	-	11,034	-
Mercers Trust	9,000	-	9,000	-
Homes for Islington	5,191	-	5,191	-
Ernest Cook Trust	2,500	-	2,500	-
Community Alliance	1,898	-	1,898	-
Other Funders		2,440	2,440	2,520_
Total	110,283	14,188	124,471	_141,536

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5 Incoming resources from Charitable Activities

											2011		401	4,880	451	260	358	032	9,147	529
											7		32,401	4,	11,451	12,260	264,358	26,032	6	360,529
			,								2012		31,620	,	14,311	11,142	179,053	33,254	5,610	274,990
Total 2011	ÇĮ.	115,660	39,970	55,805	10,327	2,743	63,263	ŧ	287,768	287,768	Governance					224			5,610	5,834
Total 2012	щ	118,854	56,643	49,709	•	19,322	ı	12,534	257,062		Congolese G Health	Project			1,354	70	10,172	938		12,534
lane-	H		450			204	٠		654		Coni									
Miscellane- ous Income											Building Development	•	27,190							27,190
Users' Fees & Subs	ધ		21,892	8,560					30,452	22,765	Deve									
											U5's				262		19,335	38		19,635
Hire & Rents	લ	42,355							42,355	50,139	<u>ب</u> م									
	ci Ci	`							,		Older People	•					3,709			3,709
ts Giffs In Kind	લ્ય	6	_	<u>ဝ</u> ှ		8		4	T	91	Youth Centre				2,900		78,640			81,541
Trusts & Grants		17,369	34,301	41,149		19,118		12,534	124,471	141,536		Q			80	35		18		
ervice Level nents	લ	59,130							59,130	73,328	After School	Club			5,678	235	60,773			66,703
Service Level Agreements		59,							59,	73,	Laundry Resource	Centre	4,430		4,117	10,612	6,425	32,260		57,844
		Laundry Resource Centre	After School Club	Youth Centre	Services for Older People	Services for Under 5's	Future Jobs Scheme	Congolese Health Project		2011	6 Resources Expended	1	Depreciation	Disposals	Events & Activities	Office & Running	Personnel	Premises & Overheads	Professional Fees	1

Notes to the Accounts - 31 March 2012

7 Net incoming/(outgoing) resources	2012 £	2011 £
Net incoming resources are stated after charging:		
Trustees remuneration	Nil	Nil
Trustees reimbursed expenses	Nil	Nil
Depreciation	(31,620)	(32,401)
Auditor's remuneration	(6,125)	(5,875)
Operating lease rentals:		
Building	(8,663)	(8,500)
8 Staff costs	2012	2011
	£	£
Salaries and wages	165,320	242,133
Social security costs	10,593	14,990
Agency staff	3,140	7,235
	179,053	264,358
No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year. The average monthly number of employees during the year was made up as		
follows:	2012	2011
	No.	No.
Fundraising	0.0	0.0
Charitable Activities	13.5	12.0
Management and administration	2.0	2.5
	15.5	14.5

9 Taxation

The company is exempt from corporation tax as a result of its registered charity status.

Notes to the Accounts – 31 March 2012

10 Tangible assets	Leasehold Improvements £	Fixtures & Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
Cost				*
At start of year	271,898	46,412	150,000	468,310
Disposals in year				
At end of year	271,898	46,412	150,000	468,310
Depreciation				
At start of year	212,108	46,412	120,468	378,988
Disposals in year	, , , , ,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	,	
Charge for year	27,190		4,430	31,620
At end of year	239,298	46,412	124,898	410,608
Net book value				
At 31.03.12	32,600	5	25,102	57,702
At 31.03.11	59,790	-	29,532	89,322
		2012		2011
11 Debtors		£		£
Grants receivable and trade debtors Prepayments and accrued income		20,186 5,256		30,154 2,022
Prepayments and accided income		25,442		32,176
		20,442	• .	02,110
12 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one ye	ar			
Trade creditors		19,533		26,338
Taxation and social security	•	20,176		34,581
Accruals		6,696		7,569
Deferred income		29,628		17,162
		76,033		85,650
13 Creditors: Amounts falling due in more				
than one year London Borough of Islington soft loan		11,000		22,000
Rent deposit held		1,000		,000
30,000,000		12,000	·	22,000

Notes to the Accounts - 31 March 2012

14 Movements in funds	At 1 April 2011	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Fund transfers	At 31 March 2012
Capital restricted funds	*				
Transport capital fund	29,532	_	(4,430)	-	25,102
Total capital funds	29,532	-	(4,430)	_	25,102
Revenue restricted funds					
Laundry Resource Centre	_	14,929	(16,011)	1,082	-
After School Club	-	34,301	(66,703)	32,402	-
Youth Centre	860	41,149	(81,541)	39,532	-
Services for Under 5's	_	7,370	(19,635)	12,265	-
Congolese Health Project	_	12,534	(12,534)	-	-
Total revenue restricted funds	860	110,283	(196,424)	85,281	_
Total restricted funds	30,392	110,283	(200,854)	85,281	25,102
Unrestricted funds	a a				
Laundry Community Centre	18,993	147,045	(74,136)	(85,281)	6,621
Total funds	49,385	257,328	(274,990)	-	31,723

Purposes of revenue restricted funds

Balances on restricted funds represent unspent funds given specifically for individual activities. These balances will be carried forward and spent on each specific activity in the following year. The Association's work falls broadly into five main categories: The Laundry Resource Centre, After School Club, Under 5's, Older People, and the Youth Centre. The Resource Centre consists mainly of providing a resource to the community, particularly other non-profit organisations and providing hall hire and meeting facilities, as well as transport. The After School Club fund is for the provision of After School club services including Team Active and the holiday play scheme as well as occasional residential activities for 5-12 year olds. The Under 5's fund is used for the purpose of the provision of a Toy Library service, as well as a Stay and Play scheme. The Youth fund is used for the provision of Youth Club services, as well as the In Touch project for 13-19 year olds. The Congolese health project is the provision of general health services, specifically the promotion of smoking cessation.

Sufficient resources are held in each fund to enable the funds to be applied in accordance with any restrictions.

Transfers between funds are authorised by the management committee with a view to reducing deficits.

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15 Analysis of net assets	Capital Restricted Funds £	Revenue Restricted Funds £	General Funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	25,102	-	32,600	57,702
Net current assets	-	-	(13,979)	(13,979)
Long term liability	-	-	(12,000)	(12,000)
	25,102	int	6,621	31,723

16 Operating lease commitments

The charity had annual commitments at the year end under operating leases expiring as follows:

		2012	2011
		£	£
	Rent expiring after five		
Land & building	years	<u>8,663</u>	<u>8,500</u>

17 Controlling Party

The ultimate control of the charity resides with the board of Trustees.

18 Other Professional Services Provided By Auditors

In common with many other entities of our size and nature we use our auditors to assist with the preparation of the financial statements.

19 Deferred Income

A grant of £25,000 from was received in the year from the Breadsticks Foundation. This has been deferred as it relates to the 2012/13 year, and it will be recognised as income in that period. Rent of £2,500 and a grant from NHS Islington of £2,128 in respect of the Congolese Stop Smoking project, has also been deferred.

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