

# We can't mask our smiles!

# Annual Report and Accounts For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020

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## S. PINTER YOUTH PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020



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#### **CHARITY INFORMATION**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

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### S. PINTER YOUTH PROJECT TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020



S Pinter Youth Project is a local charity that offers engaging and memorable out-of-school activities for disadvantaged children and young people aged 5-16 in Hackney and Haringey, London. A holiday playscheme was opened in 1995 by local parents in response to local need, setting the precedent for a project that continues to be highly user led and inclusive, meanwhile broadening the horizons of its young service users. SPYP has become a household name within the local communities, and trusted by the particular age and gender groups targeted, offering a welcoming, safe

and happy place to play, explore, and learn. In 2003, we reconstituted and opened our Lifestyles Clubs during term time. They are geared to teach life skills and develop self-esteem, talents and social skills through girls engaging in arts, crafts, cookery, sports, trips and outings. Activities are fun, challenging and geared to embrace all children and young people regardless of age and ability, including those with special needs and disabilities, who are an integral part of all projects.

# REFERENCES AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS

Legal and administrative information of the charity is shown on Page 1 of the Financial Statements and forms part of this report.

#### THE TRUSTEES

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The Trust Deed requires that the number of trustees shall not be less than three or more than nine. The power to appoint new trustees is vested in the existing trustees. New trustees are recruited on the basis of their competence, specialist skills, and those who are able to promote the objectives of the Charity. New trustees are appointed by a resolution of the Trustees, which is recorded in the minutes and signed by the new trustee. New trustees are inducted into the workings of the Charity by the current Trustees.

None of the Trustees have any beneficial interest in the Charity.

#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The S Pinter Youth Project is a Registered Charity (No. 1103054) and is constituted and governed by its Trust Deeds dated January 2003.

The Charity's objectives, powers and other constitutional matters are set out in its Articles and Memorandum of Association and provide for the charitable purposes.

The Charity is governed by a board which is responsible for setting the strategic direction of the organisation and for establishing policy. The trustees meet monthly (including an AGM) and its composition is such as to ensure an appropriate balance of experience relevant to the operations of the charity, and to discuss progress of the aims of the charity, financial matters, approving proposals and discussing forward strategy.

The financial results of the Charity's activities for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 are fully reflected in the attached Financial Statements together with the Notes thereon.

Day to day management of activities is the responsibility of the director and manager, supported by a team of core staff, 60 sessional and part time employees and 80 youth volunteers, deliver the services.

#### MESSAGE FROM CHAIR OF THE S PINTER YOUTH PROJECT

I am delighted to share with you our latest Impact Report together with the un-audited financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020, which looks back on our life-changing work in 2019/20 and the many different ways that we helped to improve the lives of disabled and disadvantaged children and young people. You can find our Impact Report on our website www.spyp.org.uk.

Thanks to your generous support and partnership, which enabled the SPYP to provide the tools, opportunities and support for over 2,500 disadvantaged and disabled children and young people to transform their lives. Our dedicated supporters helped us to run numerous vital out of school projects during term time and school holidays.

Young people like Molly, who looks forward to singing and dancing, participated in a comprehensive workshop and learnt skills and produced her own CD at a professional studio. Stephanie was able to perform by singing at an intergenerational orchestra for elderly people. Sara, who participated as a youth volunteer in her wheelchair with her career, developed her skills and confidence and improved her future job prospects.

I do hope you enjoy reading our report and I would like to thank you for joining us in our vital, lifesaving work.

I am delighted that the SPYP was able to work so productively in 2019/20 and I hope that as envisaged, our work will continue to make a positive impact on the lives of the children and young people that we work with.



## REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES, PERFORMANCE & ACHIEVMENTS

The charity provided out of school hours activities for 2,500 financially deprived, socially isolated and at-risk children and young people annually, primarily from the Minority Ethnic communities in the London Boroughs of Hackney, Haringey and Barnet. Children and young people with moderate to severe physical, emotional or mental disabilities and/or special needs

were fully integrated into all programmes. Children with a parent / sibling with cancer / terminal illness were offered special programmes and a strong support system.



# Youth

#### THE CHARITY'S AIMS ARE:

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- Provide enjoyable, user-led activities of social, leisure and developmental benefits to develop
  socially isolated, disadvantaged and vulnerable children and young people in physical, mental and
  emotional capacities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society
  and that their conditions of life may be improved.
- Provide activities of recreation and fun in a safe environment where all children and young people, regardless of ability and background, can undertake new experiences, broaden their horizons, make friends and grow in confidence, motivation, ambition, and have opportunities, which they could otherwise not have.

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Provide projects which place an emphasis on health and raise educational attainment.

- To assist working parents or parents of large or dysfunctional families/those with sick or disabled child/children or new immigrants by caring for their children in a secure, caring and fun environment during out of school hours.
- To support and encourage children with a parent / sibling with cancer or terminal illness
  preventing them from becoming kids at risk and spending their time on the streets at risk of antisocial and criminal behaviour.
- The development of a combined fundraising strategy provided a complete fundraising plan to underpin how S Pinter Youth Project intends to develop, expand and sustain its services. The



strategy will maximise opportunities to secure funding for longer term and ensure sustainability for the organisation. It will also focus on attracting individual potential donors and encourage them to become 'friends of S Pinter Youth Project.'

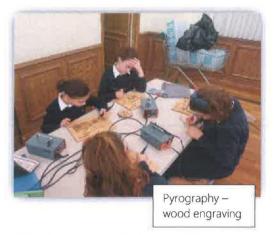
In planning activities for the year, the trustees took due heed of the Charity Commission's guidance on the requirement to provide public benefit. We are now fully compliant to GDPR regulations and have set new standards for consumer rights regarding their data.

Services were targeted at children and young people (CAYP) from minority ethnic communities who have specific requirements due to their cultural or religious backgrounds as Hackney and Haringey are areas of high diversity and the CAYP do not access mainstream activities. However, where places are available services are open to any CAYP. The trustees have reviewed their Access to Services Policy with due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance and are satisfied that they meet the requirements. S Pinter serves an area of intense deprivation and a BME community facing entrenched difficulties. Many

of our users are Orthodox Jewish, a marginalised

community that faces many barriers: cultural sensitivities (e.g., gender separation) meaning that members cannot access mainstream services as they are not culturally appropriate and often unaffordable to boot.

Poverty is rampant. The Jewish Institute of Policy and Research has found that more than one in five Jewish children in Hackney live in households with no employed adults, with over a quarter of OJ people living in overcrowded conditions. Lack of space at home and large families with little money leave little room for luxuries. Children have little to do outside school hours, and sedentary lifestyles that encourage obesity.



Our users attend underfunded community schools that offer few extracurricular activities and cannot enjoy mainstream activities (e.g., public swimming baths) due to cultural sensitivities. There are few safe outdoor public green spaces and playgrounds locally, further limiting our users' physical activity rates ("stranger danger", heavy traffic in a dense urban area and lack of open spaces make playing outdoors very difficult). At present, 33% of our users have special needs/disabilities (e.g., Down's syndrome, Asperger's, autism, learning disabled), who are further disadvantaged.

The OJ community is heterogeneous: there are many sects from countries including Israel, Morocco, Russia, Yemen and Ukraine. These groups traditionally stick to their own, splintering community cohesion. English is the second language for 35% of participants.

All local CYP, but particularly those with moderate to severe disabilities, lack opportunities to exercise, learn new skills and befriend peers. There are very few inclusive services where disabled and non-disabled children can interact. In an overcrowded, deprived environment, children desperately need physical and mental space, tailored academic support and fun, engaging activities to thrive.

#### The charity set itself the following goals for 2019 / 2020:

The Charity achieved all its targets for the year;

Organisational goals: S Pinter Youth Project has:

- A. Developed a website to allow funders, stakeholders and participants to be more aware and involved with the happenings.
- B. Worked together with A5cend to improve the monitoring and evaluating of projects, and contracted with them for a second year to further develop the systems.
- C. Continued to develop a more advanced database to build our mailing lists of funders and donors. Service doals:
  - 1. To continue to run the full range of services for financially disadvantaged and socially isolated children and young people.
  - 2. To increase the scale and variety of activities offered.
  - 3. To increase the level of funds to enable continued service development.
  - 4. To include new projects within the programme.

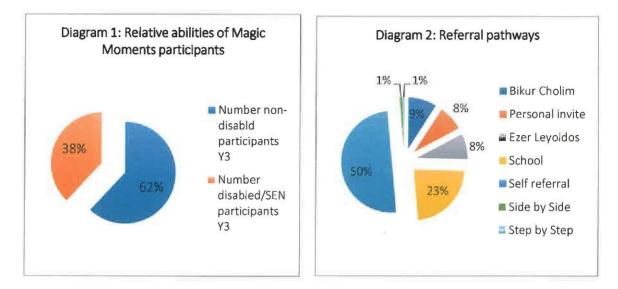
S Pinter Youth Project has continued to run a full range of activities for financially disadvantaged and socially isolated children and young people including children with moderate to severe disabilities or special needs, including the following:

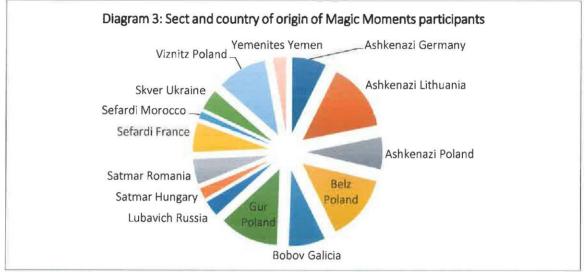
#### Magic Moments - Lifestyles Club

- A Lifestyles Club was run during term time from Monday to Thursday for 160 children and young people from years 4, 5 & 6, per week.
- Activities included:
  - Daily Healthy Refreshments Food is presented in an appealing manner to encourage children and young people to get accustomed to enjoy healthy eating.
  - Homework sessions with staff assistance, with 1:1 staff assistance where necessary. During homework session there is a selection of stimulating board games and reading books available.
  - Daily activities and courses A large variety of activities and courses including healthy lifestyle courses with theory and practical food preparations, culinary skills, canoeing, dancing, drama, arts & crafts, cycling with accreditation, pyrography, paper magic, jewellery making, needlework, first aid given by The Red Cross and much more.
  - Sports & Physical Activities were offered and included aerobics & weight lifts, gymnastics, circus skills fun and lots more to give participants a further awareness of incorporating physical activities in their lifestyles to be more fit and healthy.
  - SAT's club for 60 young people from Year 6. This included sessions where experienced SAT's teachers assisted children in preparing for their SAT's exams by reviewing the material and past SAT's papers. The staff offers them encouragement and support and build their confidence in their ability to succeed.

Young people were actively involved in the decision making of all projects. They were involved in the design, planning and running of the projects. Employing an empowerment co-ordinator has increased our user involvement greatly in decision making and assisting in running the projects, by having regular meetings with them and including them in the management team. She also provided support to Year 6 during the summer term to prepare them in the transition stage from primary to secondary school.







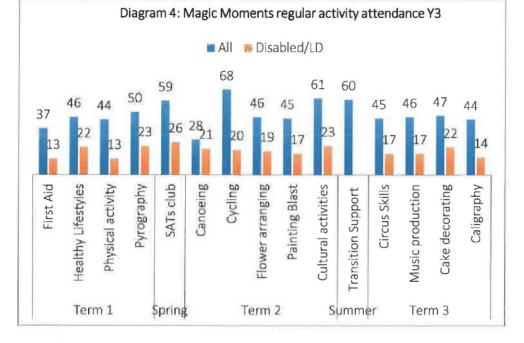
#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE - Lifestyles Club:

- Year 4, age 7 years old, have been included in various projects of the Lifestyles Club.
- 40 new places have been added to the Lifestyles club.
- 3 new courses were added to the programme including the highlight canoeing with accreditation.
- 2 young people were voted in by the Young People User Council to sit in meetings of Management Committee and participate in decision making and report back to the user council.
- An Empowerment coordinator has been employed enabling YP to be more involved in decision making as well as giving them added emotional support and empowerment.
- 40 children and young people received a Red Cross Certificate for completing a first aid course.



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- 45 children and young people completed a Healthy Lifestyle course, which included sports, drama, aerobics and weight lifts, practical and theory nutritional sessions, and were presented with certificates upon completion. The aim was to target obesity in young people. The courses were run by a professional team.
- 45 young people received cycling accreditation National Bikeability level 1.
- 40 young people participated in our Intergenerational project and sang and danced together with the elderly people at the Schonfeld Square Old age Home.
- 76% young people have improved their standards and attendance in school due to the homework assistance received.
- 88% of young people who attended the SAT's Club had better results due to the assistance given.
- 95% of young people have increased their skills and talents due to the variety of courses.



#### SATs Club

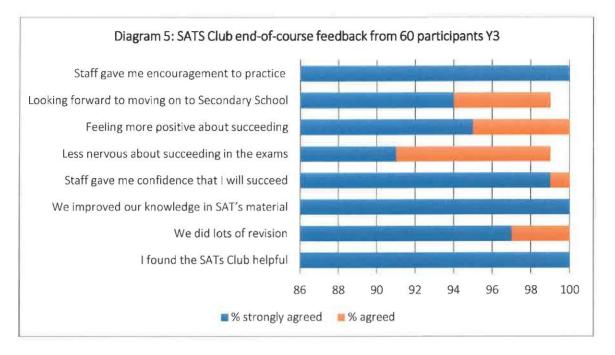
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The 2-hour SATs Club for 60 Young People ran for 6 weeks in Spring 2019, as in the prior years.





Diagram 5 (below) illustrates some of the outcomes reported by CYP. All YP improved their knowledge of SATs material and found the club helpful. However very slightly fewer YP felt more confident about moving up to high school and succeeding in exams than at the end of the course last year:



"I'd rather come to after school club than going home without learning something new!" Service user feedback, 2019

#### Intergenerational projects

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40 disadvantaged young people aged 8-11 years participated in this intergenerational project. It was amazing to note how quickly young people improved...and we're not just talking about their new-found skills in singing and music. Our participants also developed excellent communication skills, grew in self-esteem and now enjoy the benefits of improved co-ordination and fitness levels!

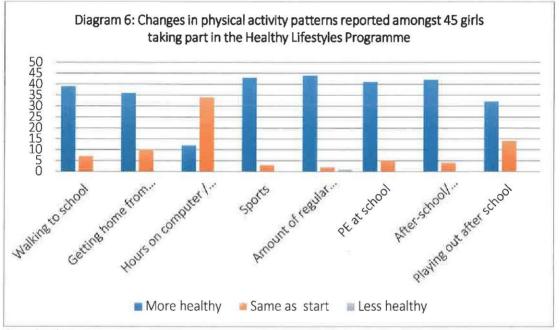
Throughout their workshop's participants joined together to showcase their new-found singing and music skills to elderly people in the local old age home as well as family and friends who joined them at the old age home. Events were lively, interactive and brought light and life to the older residents.

What happened when we brought our group of young people to perform for the older residents? "Clapping hands and singing songs together was just one way they spent their time together." Mrs Hannah Israel, Director.



#### Shoshanim (Roses) - Holiday Play Schemes

Holiday play schemes were run for over 1,300 children and young people and 120 youth volunteers per annum with over 550 girls and 500 boys and 70 Youth Volunteers per scheme, including 25% - 30% Special Educational Needs / Disabled children and young people during Summer, Winter and Easter school holiday periods. The schemes offered a large range of age appropriate activities which embraced and interested all children and young people regardless of age / ability. Activities included a massive selection of arts & crafts i.e. decoupage, key ring / jewellery / badge making, sequin art, pyrography, needlework, sand art, shrink plastic and paper magic, as well as drama, sports, circus skills, outdoor events, fun and educational trips, external visits e.g. guardsman, army men, police brass bands, farm animals etc., educational and health promotion events and much more. Each holiday scheme has a child friendly theme, chosen by the children, enhancing the programme whilst ingraining important long-lasting life messages.



#### Case Study 1:

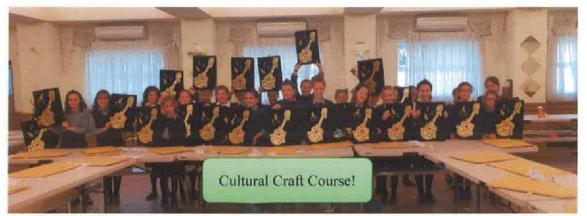
A parent contacted Magic Moments about a daughter, CH aged 9, who had weak motor skills and was unable to cycle. The girl's school had responded without concern about the weak motor skills as the girl was well behaved and did well academically. However CH struggled to jump rope, scooby and cycle as her friends did, but was too embarrassed to own up to it. Staff worked with sensitivity to provide CH with the additional support she needed to learn. Mum, cycling staff and S. Pinter team members are felt extremely satisfied with how CH progressed with additional support. She now cycles confidently. CH said: "It felt so thrilling to fly on a bike! I always watched everyone ride bikes but I couldn't do it myself. The cycling staff really helped me a lot - one of them spent an entire session just with me, and now I can cycle! I'm so happy about it."



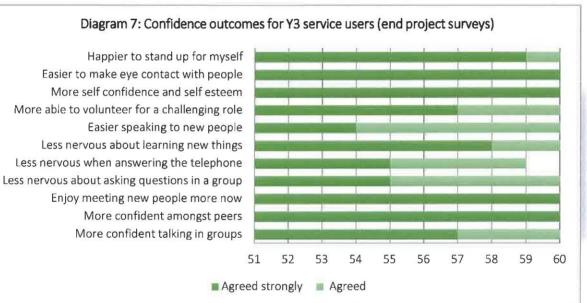
#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE - Holiday Playschemes

- 30 Youth Volunteers achieved AQA accreditation on Leadership skills following a successful leading of the holiday projects.
- 14 Youth volunteers developed their interpersonal skills and upgraded to become staff assistant.

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Each Playscheme had a child-friendly theme geared to teach valuable lessons in a positive manner ie: Summer Playscheme theme was "Pleasant Journeys" in line with CAYP journeying to their next school year, where we incorporated being pleasant "All-Ways". Winter Playscheme's theme was "Mini Mall" shopping for good deeds. CAYP received a personalised credit card and purse where they collected pretend money to shop at the Fun Market at the end of the week for prizes. The Easter's theme was "Royal Kids" teaching CAYP that each of them is special in his/her own way and has so much to offer. The highlight was a visit from the Queen's Guards & the Quintet from Buckingham Palace. This project taught them to be good people and good citizens and to appreciate themselves and each other.



- 500 CAYP participated in the Summer project, 550 CAYP attended the Winter & 600 CAYP attended the Easter project and benefited from the large range of activities and increased their social, interpersonal and creative skills. They learnt important lessons on health and other general knowledge such as first hand experiences of handling and learning all about many domestic animals. They also did lots of sports including swimming, cycling, circus skills and learnt the importance of physical activities to maintain healthy lifestyles. They enjoyed day trips, sports, arts & crafts and recycling. CAYP raised their aspirations and broadened their horizons by having new opportunities which they would otherwise not have had.
- 30 young people had accreditation from AQA for completing a Culinary Skills Course on Cake decorating.
- External visits included a visit from the Queen's Guards, Spin Art Magic, Amazing Fire Juggler, Balloon Man, Petting Zoo, Parrot show, Pony rides, Horse N Cart, Army regiment, Green Cross Code, Community Police, Queens Guards, Police riot van and Fun fair team.

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- Day trips included a visit to Hazard Alley-Safety Centre real life scenarios teaching CAYP to keep safe, Soft Plays, Trampoline Parks, Water Parks, Outdoor Parks, Leisure Centres etc.
- Ice cream fun where all the CAYP filled their cones and decorated it how they chose & a new slush machine which was purchased and used in all 3 playschemes to the delight of all the CAYP.
- The "Fun Fair" catered for over 1000 boys and girls during the Easter Holidays with loads of
  exciting activities such as inflatables, rides, with story tellers and musical accompaniment.

#### INTEGRATION OF ALL CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

We attract high numbers of CAYP with special needs/disabilities because of our high-profile ethos of inclusivity and friendliness. We give 1:1 support to these users free of charge and are working to increase our ability to offer them the best opportunities to develop and integrate (a challenge when there is a



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mix of abilities).

We recognise the importance of inclusion and have targeted more CAYP with special needs and disabilities, noting the benefits for those users and their non-disabled peers. They have seen first-hand how every child regardless of ability has what to offer and we are proud to be an inclusive project that welcomes everyone and ensures that everyone feels comfortable to participate in our projects. We made massive strides in this area, by training staff in dealing with integrated groups and improving the general perception of staff and children, promoting acceptance and love in a positive manner. All themes, songs, drama, puppet shows and story tellers

focused on friendship, equality and respect for one another. One of our three main aims of the year was to ensure children act more inclusively and compassionately towards their peers and we are delighted that our efforts have borne fruits! Children and young people have reported that they have made new friends and children with special needs / disabilities and their parents/carers reported that they felt loved and appreciated for what they are.

We also have several youth volunteers with moderate to severe special needs. Three needed 1:1 carers, 2 of them needing full time care including personal care. They contributed tremendously to the project making them feel a useful part of society. The powerful flow of warmth towards them has enabled them to stretch themselves and offer the best they can. It was a win-win situation whereby the young person with special needs and the children gained profusely from their participation.

In addition, we have a SENCO head from a local school as part of our management committee. She is available to guide staff on this topic. Due to increased bullying we have a zero tolerance for bullying and staff are trained to be extra vigilant and proactive to prevent any bullying incidents. Warnings are given at the start of the project following a briefing regarding friendship and inclusivity that we will not tolerate or allow any bullying whatsoever. We have seen a clear reduction of bullying incidents. We offer an integrated, user-led combination of services on one site – a one-stop shop for inclusion and a unique selling point within the community.



Healthy Lifestyles food preps & physical activities Old

#### YOUTH VOLUNTEERING PROGRAMME

During the Holiday Schemes we run a Youth Volunteering Programme where over 60 young people aged

12 - 16 years (or up to age 20 for those with special needs / disabilities) volunteer to design, plan, prepare, run and evaluate the projects. During each scheme they choose a task of their choice including admin or managerial jobs or staff assistants with CAYP (age group of their choice). They are on hand to assist during all major activities/events ie: setting up, distributing materials or refreshments, preparing candy floss/popcorn/slush and ice cream. This improves their leadership skills, social skills, confidence, CV's and future job prospects thereby enhancing their quality of life in the long term.

The S Pinter Youth Project participated in the Athan 31 Programme which ran for members who achieved Bronze with London Youth. This programme aimed to involve users to run projects and taught the organisations valuable lessons on the importance of actively involving users. Following this we assessed our projects according to the Harts Ladder and we have gone from step 5-"Young people are



consulted and informed" in 2015 and reached our goal to be on step 8-"Young people and adults share



decision making " this year 2019/20.

The obvious benefits of young people being actively involved in planning and running the holiday projects has encouraged us to develop a more robust system within the Lifestyles Magic moments project (during term time) including our Empowerment Coordinator, developing an efficient user council and voting in young people to join the Management committee.

12 volunteers introduce each playscheme with a musical song

and dance performance and teach a motto in line with the theme to over 500 CAYP and staff members. This builds their confidence, self-esteem and awareness of their innate talents.



#### HEART 2 HEART PROGRAMME



Following our experience of working with CAYP as well as personal research and experience we found that CAYP who are dealing with a sibling / parent with cancer or terminal illness often drop in their school attainment, behaviour and then attendance, following a trend of becoming at risk of anti-social and / or criminal behaviour, leading to hanging out in the streets, drugs and street crime. Research and discussions with parents have clarified that they have support for the sick person from other organisation but the other children in the family

are struggling tremendously too.

Siblings of a child or parent with cancer may experience a range of emotions including fear, anger, jealousy, anxiety, sadness and hopelessness related to their sister or brother's or parents diagnosis. They are often faced with changes such as their sibling not being able to play with them as usual and their extracurricular activities getting reduced or eliminated due to parents' time constraints and focus

on the child with cancer's medical care. Heart 2 Heart launched in May 2017 by providing non-clinical support to these CAYP in Hackney, Haringey, Barnet and Edgware; We send them activity and goody packs, take them on fun trips and days out, organise special programmes and parties for them and give them a feeling that there are benefits from this very hard time in their lives. They also get priority to get free places within all our other programmes. We got a grant from Awards for all which helped us with the majority of the expenses. We are now looking for new funding venues to enable us to continue these vital projects.



#### VOLUNTEERS

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S Pinter Youth Project continues to benefit from a very significant volunteer input of approximately 4680 hours during holiday playscheme, where we have 60 youth volunteers, and 12 hours per week during term time. Even if valued modestly at £5 per hour the value of volunteers' time to the charity is over £23,400 for 3 play schemes per annum and over £3,000 during term time. The charity's policy on references and Criminal Record Bureau (CRB) checks remained robust and effective.

The charity has strong local community support. The local community appreciate the necessity of its services and support it when and where necessary.

Influential volunteers are currently being considered both as prospective Patrons and potential major donors or routes to high value support.

A policy of procedures for Volunteer management & Support has been implemented.

#### 2. Both the scale and variety of activities has increased, including:

- Providing additional holiday Places and new types of after school activities.
- Programmes offered to boys aged 5 13 years, during the holiday periods. Over 800 boys
  participated from activities during the Holiday Schemes, having new opportunities and learning
  new skills whilst improving their social skills and raising aspirations.
- More accredited courses run.
- New Intergenerational project where a team of young people joined together with elderly people at the local old age home to sing, dance and join together for fun, happy, laughter filled afternoons.
- Heart 2 Heart Project expanded in quantity of participants and in projects offered.
- Increased participants involvement in decision-making
- More training for staff to manage groups of all abilities and backgrounds.

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#### 3. To increase the level of funds to enable continued service development.

- We continued to work together with a consortium of 6 local organisations and charities which enabled us to access further funding from Young Hackney.
- We are members of London Youth and have achieved SILVER AWARD and are working towards achieving a Gold Quality Mark which will enable us to get a grant from Bridge House Trust.
- We were invited to give a presentation of our quality mark experience at London Youth as an exemplary organisation.
- We are continuing to develop our database which enables systematic mailings to trusts and foundations to be sent out regularly. We continuously add new names of trusts and foundations. We are now looking to employ a woman with cerebral palsy who is looking for a job and she will be trained to fill in data into our database "in the clouds" from her own room in the rehab centre where she lives (as it is extremely difficult for her to get out), offering a new job opportunity and enhancing our equality in employment.
- Our website which attracts new funders as well as signpost funders where to get updated, detailed information on our projects is regularly updated. This also enables us to share better practice with other organisations.
- We are in our fourth year grant from the Reaching Community for a Continuation Grant of 5 years which has greatly enhanced our services particularly by paying for our Empowerment coordinator, developing our monitoring and evaluating systems, and increasing the amount of places we can offer.
- Following a visit from Caitlin Clifton, Senior Grants and Investment office from Hackney Community Partnership, she was particularly impressed with our updated monitoring and evaluating systems, how we record and measure our success or whether we are reaching our targets and we set up a simpler method of reporting to Hackney Community Partnership.
- We are registered providers of the Haringey Short Breaks Team and therefore more accessible to children with special needs / disabilities.
- We are reapplying for 3-year funding from the BBC Children in Need for the Summer playscheme. The visiting funding officer expressed her admiration of the project following the end report highlighting that she particularly enjoyed the CAYP's comments and case studies.
- We have worked well with our Reaching Communities programme, reaching milestones and outcomes and keeping to the monitoring time plan. Our funding officer was extremely satisfied with the SPYP's work and monitoring performance.
- We employed three young people who were past project participants and going through emotional crisis leading them to anti-social and criminal behaviour. They are now part of the decision-making team and are being productive young people, with a purpose to their days and have a reason to go to sleep at night and wake up in the morning. They applied and were successful to obtain a grant from Hackney YOF and ran projects in conjunction with SPYP.

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#### APPRECIATION

SPYP would like to express appreciation to some of its key partners: • BBC Children In Need who enabled us to develop the capacity and quality of the summer holiday playscheme through a 3-year grant. • The Big Lottery Fund (Reaching Communities) who have approved a five-year grant to develop our Magic Moments Lifestyles Club. • Hackney Community Partnership • The Hackney YOF with whom we continue to have an excellent working relationship and have funded our Youth volunteering programme. • The Jewish Youth Fund for supporting our Holiday Playscheme. • The Charles Wolfson Charitable Foundation for their resolve to improve and increase services for our children and young people through their support. • Young Hackney for their continuous support of our programmes for the children and young people. • The DM Thomas who have shown they value our work and have supported the disabled children within our project. • The Hodge Foundation for funding our intergenerational project which enabled CAYP to perform their singing and music to the Schonfeld Square Old age home. We are extremely grateful to the YHS School who value and appreciate the work we do and have allowed us use of their quality purpose-built premises to accommodate our different projects at a largely reduced rate.

#### PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

In particular addressing beneficiaries facing additional struggles due to the Pandemic - Coronavirus

- Expand the Heart 2 Heart project to include families with a parent or sibling struggling with mental health. Unfortunately, many more people are struggling with mental health issues and vulnerable mental health patients have deteriorated due to the pandemic so there is a dire need to support the CAYP in these families.
- Introduce a new element to our Intergenerational project called "Pen Buddies" geared to
  encourage personal connection with elderly and sick people in care homes despite social
  distancing, shielding due to the Coronavirus. This will include pairing up each young person
  taking part in Lifestyles Club or Holiday playscheme with an elderly or sick lonely person and
  having time and support to write them letters and send them weekly samples of the creative
  stuff they create. This will not only reduce isolation and loneliness, it will develop a
  responsibility and consideration, as well as respect from the young person to her elderly
  pen buddy.
- Send out activity and holiday hampers to participants to encourage and support them during quarantine and isolation, to boost them and to empower them to develop skills and talents despite the pandemic. When a Playscheme is not possible, to send out the playscheme programme to all participants in holiday packs including games, crafts, and a CD with the programme including theme song, PE and aerobics song, stories to encourage and empower users.
- Continue to develop and improve our current projects during Lifestyles Club and Playscheme and to run according to new government guidelines (in bubble groups and higher hygiene measure in place.
- To take on a new staff member to be responsible for Health & Safety to ensure SPYP is running according to new government guidelines and according to our new policy and procedures.
- For holiday playschemes to take on two new Social Heads to assist in the running of communal events due to having to run more communal events in smaller groups to run according to government guidelines.
- Our Empowerment Co-ordinator to continue to encourage YP in the transition stage from Primary to Secondary school and to run the User council.
- Continue to sustain projects and services provided.
- Attain multiple year finding to assure sustainability for Holiday Playschemes and Lifestyles
   Club
- Continue to work to raise the organisations profile and target a wider range of supporters and to attract new donors.
- To offer staff training on the specific special needs and the integration of children and young people.

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- To continue to fundraise and run projects and services for Heart 2 Heart. Following feedback from parents and children themselves it has been successful beyond expectations and exceeded all goals and outcomes which we set out in quality, numbers, services and capacity.
- We will continuously work to progress and improve our organisation and its services by involving our users and their parents, and by working with local CVS's and other youth organisations and schools.
- Work on updating website more regularly to benefit parents, CAYP, funders and other organisation – to share best practice.

#### STAFF

S Pinter Youth Project employed the equivalent of 2 full time staff. Additionally the equivalent of 50 temporary workers were employed during the weeks which holiday playschemes were run.

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year (2019 - Nil).

No trustees received any remuneration during the year. The Charity did not meet any individual expenses incurred by the trustee for services provided to the charity.

The General Manager reports directly to the Board of Trustees and is responsible for all staff and volunteers in all departments Fundraising, Finance and Operations.

Future appointments to the fundraising and operations team will be agreed in line with the Fundraising Strategy to ensure that the necessary personnel and expertise are in place to achieve the significant growth in income required. Planned professional development is an essential element in ensuring the charity's personnel resources build in experience and expertise.

#### Reserves and Investment Policy

The Trustees aim to hold free reserves at a level of at least 3 months running costs and up to six month running costs. This is to protect the Charity in the Event that income for a project is lower than anticipated and to act as a cushion to protect services in the event of a time limited grant ending before having secured funding from a new source. The trustees predict that in the upcoming financial year the organization will have built the level of reserves to at least 3 months running costs in view of the current harsh public sector funding climate.

#### Risk assessment

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The Charity annually identifies and reviews the major risks to which it is exposed. The main potential risks relate to the protection and safety of the vulnerable children in the Charity's care and financial risk to the Charity's Funds. The Charity is satisfied that these risks are robustly managed, through its policies, systems and procedures for Child Protection, Health & Safety and Financial Management and Controls. Our GDPR regulations have been updated and SPYP is now fully compliant.

#### Post Balance Sheet Events and Going Concern

The outbreak of Covid-19 has presented the charity with some challenges regarding fundraising which the trustees believe will continue for the foreseeable future. In addition, the uncertainty surrounding Brexit may also impact the UK economy and sources of income for the charity. These risks are beyond the control of the charity and represents uncertainty to the income of the charity.

Notwithstanding the uncertainty, the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting principles appropriate to a going concern, as the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future by meeting its liabilities as they fall due, based on the net current asset position of the charity and available sources of finance.

#### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITY

The charity's 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 and 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 these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; 5
- A 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 D material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- P Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The amount of funds raised for charitable purposes during the year was £211,781.

2019/20 was a very successful year for the charity. The Management Committee consider that the Charity's results for the year to be very satisfactory.

To conclude, the Trustees and staff of S Pinter Youth Project remains totally committed to providing life changing experiences to disadvantaged children within a safe and professionally managed environment.

#### **APPROVAL**

This report was approved by the trustees on |o|| = and signed on its

**D** SCHARF Trustee

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By Order of the Board



#### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the S Pinter Youth Project ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2020 set out on pages 20 to 29.

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT**

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the financial statements 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.

Asher Sternlicht FCA Independent Examiner Cohen Arnold New Burlington House 1075 Finchley Road LONDON NW11 0PU

10th November 2020



#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020	Total Funds 2019
INCOMING AND ENDOWMEN	гs	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	4	105,932	105,849	211,781	253,045
Total Income		105,932	105,849	211,781	253,045
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<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
Charitable Activities After School Activities Holiday Play Schemes Heart 2 Heart		16,531 93,629 9,939	77,599 28,250 -	94,130 121,879 9,939	94,538 110,730 10,001
Total Resources Expended	5	120,099	105,849	225,948	215,269
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		(14,167)	-	(14,167)	37,776
Balance brought forward		39,608	22,099	61,707	23,931
Balance carried forward		25,441	22,099	47,540	61,707

The charity has no gains or losses either in this or the previous financial period other than those recognised in this Statement of Financial Activities.

The attached Notes on pages 22 to 29 form part of these Financial Statements.



#### STATEMEMT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

#### AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible Assets	9	16,346	18,776
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand		37,574	47,967
<b>CREDITORS:</b> Amounts falling due within one year	10	(6,380)	(5,036)
NET CURENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES		31,194	42,931
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		47,540	61,707
FINANCED BY:			
Restricted Funds Unrestricted Funds	12	22,099 25,441	22,099 39,608
		47,540	61,707

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the 10 m and are signed on their behalf by:

**MRS J DÉGROEN** 

Chair

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The attached Notes on pages 22 to 29 form part of these Financial Statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The charity is a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 126 Castlewood Road, London N15 6BE.

#### 2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

#### 3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis. The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

#### Going concern

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The outbreak of Covid-19 has presented the charity with some challenges regarding fundraising which the trustees believe will continue for the foreseeable future. In addition, the uncertainty surrounding Brexit may also impact the UK economy and sources of income for the charity. These risks are beyond the control of the charity and represents uncertainty to the income of the charity.

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#### Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 102 requires the use of certain accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company's accounting policies. There are no areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

#### 3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Fund accounting**

General unrestricted funds comprise the accumulated surplus or deficit on income and expenditure account. They are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restricted conditions imposed by donors.

Designated funds are funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the Trustees for specific purposes.

#### **INCOMING RESOURCES**

#### **Recognition of incoming resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when: the charity becomes entitled to the resources; the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliably.

#### Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising contract or investment income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

#### **Grants and donations**

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources. Donations represent voluntary amounts received during the year.

Grants and donations are included in the financial statements in the year they are received.

#### Tax reclaim on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SOFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

#### Volunteer help

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The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Annual Trustees' Report.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

#### 3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Expenditure and liabilities**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

#### **Support Costs**

Support costs are allocated using a percentage of estimated hours of activity per year.

#### **Governance Costs**

Include costs of the preparation and examination of Statutory Accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

#### Grants payable without performance conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

#### VAT

Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity, and as such is included together with the relevant cists for all purposes.

#### **Fixed assets**

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Office equipment Play equipment 20% reducing balance 33% reducing balance



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

#### 4. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£
Donations			
Contributions by Attendees	39,113	-	39,113
Awards for All	-	10,000	10,000
Big Lottery Fund		64,999	64,999
Sundry Donations	64,139	-	64,139
Hackney YOF		3,000	3,000
Children's Aid Committee		2,000	2,000
BBC Children in Need	-	10,000	10,000
Young Hackney	-	12,600	12,600
The Jewish Youth Fund	-	2,500	2,500
Tottenham Gram	-	750	750
Fundraising Event	2,680	-	2,680
	105,932	105,849	211,781

	31 March 2019		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	<b>Total Funds</b>
	Funds	Funds	2019
	£	£	£
Donations			
Contributions by Attendees	32,202	<del></del>	32,202
Awards for All	_	10,000	10,000
Delapage		15,000	15,000
Thomas Foundation	—	3,120	
Big Lottery Fund	-	69,689	69,689
Hackney YCP	-	2,460	2,460
Sundry Donations	63,089	-	63,089
Hackney YOF	—	3,855	
Children's Aid Committee	—	2,000	2,000
Jewish Children's Day	_	2,500	2,500
BBC Children in Need	_	10,000	
Young Hackney	-	12,600	
Hackney Community Partnership	-	5,000	
Merchant Taylor's Charities	—	5,030	A 12 P 10 P 20 P 20 P 20 P 20 P 20 P 20 P
Swimathon		1,000	
The Clothworkers	-	5,000	
The Grocers Charity	-	5,000	
The Jewish Youth Fund	-	2,500	1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1
The Prince of Wales Charitable Foundation	-	3,000	3,000
	95,291	157,754	253,045

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

#### 5. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

			Total
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Funds
	Funds	Funds	2020
	£	£	£
After School Activity	16,531	77,599	94,130
Holiday Play Scheme	93,629	28,250	121,879
Heart 2 Heart	9,939	-	9,939
	120,099	105,849	225,948

#### 31 March 2019

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			Total
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Funds
	Funds	Funds	2019
	£	£	£
After School Activity	-	94,538	94,538
Holiday Play Scheme	63,714	47,016	110,730
Heart 2 Heart	2	10,001	10,001
	131,951	151,555	215,269

#### COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

After School Activity Holiday Play Scheme Heart 2 Heart	Direct Costs £ 93,142 117,927 9,939 221,458	Governance Costs £ 988 3,952 - 4,940	Total Funds 2020 £ 94,130 121,879 9,939 225,948	Total Funds 2019 £ 94,538 110,730 10,001 215,269
Breakdown of Expenditure		2	2020 £	<u>2019</u> £
Staff Costs Activities Materials & Equipment		95	,591 ,014 ,512	61,684 76,353 31,418
Premises, Publicity & Other			,891	41,553
Governance Costs			,008 ,940	211,008 4,261
Total		£225	,948	£215,269

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

#### 6. NET (OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Depreciation	4,086	4,694
STAFF COSTS AND EMOLUMENTS Total staff costs were as follows:		
	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages and salaries	59,591	61,684

#### 8. STAFF NUMBERS

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The charity employed two full time project coordinators during the year as well as 50 part time staff when holiday play schemes were run. This calculated on the basis of fulltime equivalents was as follows:

	<u>2020</u> No	<u>2019</u> No
Number of management staff Average number of other staff	2 5	2 5
Total	7	7

No employee received remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year.

No trustee received any remuneration during the year. The charity did not meet any individual expenses incurred by the trustees for services provided to the charity.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

#### 9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Equipment
COST At 1 April 2019	£
Additions	62,681 1,656
At 31 March 2020	64,337
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 April 2019 Charge for the year	43,905 4,086
At 31 March 2020	47,991
NET BOOK VALUE At 31 March 2020	16,346
At 31 March 2019	18,776

#### 10. CREDITORS-AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Accruals and Deferred Income	£6,380	£5,036

#### 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year there were no related party transactions.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

#### 12. RESTRICTED FUNDS ANALYSIS

	Funds held on 1 <sup>st</sup> April <u>2019</u> £	Incoming £	<u>Outgoing</u> £	Funds held on 31 <sup>st</sup> March <u>2020</u> £
Awards For All		10,000	(10,000)	×.
Hackney YOF	-	3,000	(3,000)	-
Jewish Youth Fund		2,500	(2,500)	145
Young Hackney	20	12,600	(12,600)	
Children's Aid Committee		2,000	(2,000)	. <del></del>
Tottenham Gram	-	750	(750)	-
Big Lottery Fund	22,099	64,999	(64,999)	22,099
BBC Children in Need	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Total	£22,099	£105,849	£(105,849)	£22,099
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The restricted funds of £22,099 carried forward are allocated to "After school activities".

#### 13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

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Net Current		
Fixed	Assets/	
Assets	(Liabilities)	Total
£	£	£
16,346	9,095	25,441
	22,099	22,099
16,346	31,194	47,540
	Assets £ 16,346	Fixed         Assets/           Assets         (Liabilities)           £         £           16,346         9,095           -         22,099



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SPYP continued to support, encourage and empower CAYP to develop and progress despite the challenging times...

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100's of activity hampers were sent out to CAYP, reducing isolation, developing skills and providing vital support.