

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date

1st April 2019

To Period end date

31st March 2020

Sec	ction A	Refere	nce	and administra	atior	n details
		Charity name		Ealing	Media	ation Service
	Other names ch	arity is known by			EN	MS
	Registered charit	ty number (if any)	1169	518		
	Charity's	principal address	Gree	nford Community Ce	ntre	
	•		-	Didfield Lane South		
			Gree			
			Post			UB6 9JS
	Names of the charit	ty trustees who ma	anage	the charity		
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

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Section D

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As part of continuing good governance, EMS has adopted NCVO's Charity Ethical Principles, namely: beneficiaries first, integrity, openness and right to be safe. We have committed to explicitly demonstrate these principles in our practice, policies, procedures, and communications.

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Further financial review details (Optional information)

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The principal sources of funds were a quarterly grant from Ealing Council, a grant from Pathways, payments for services provided to other London boroughs and social housing providers, and donations.

Expenditure consisted of operating costs necessary to provide mediation services and restructuring costs. The majority of the charity's operating expenditure was on staff, training and development, mediator supervision and accommodation. Restructuring costs consisted of redundancy payments to staff. Including redundancy, 85% of total expenditure was on staff costs.

Section F	Other optional information				

Signed on behalf of the charity's	s trustees	
Signature(s)	Simeon Gann	
Full name(s)	Simeon Gann	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	04/01/2021	

Declaration

04/01/2021

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Section G



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	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total funds	Last year
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RSLs	5,687		1	5,687	4,604
Other London Boroughs	7,292	1	1	7,292	3,47
Donations (incl Gift Aided Donations)	1,073			1,073	183
Training	300	 	1	300	300
	300	 	1	300	10
The Challenge Trusts	_	500		500	515
John Lyons		500	1	500	13,000
,	_	5,000		5,000	10,000
Pathways & Comic Relief		3,000		3,000	10,000
Bank Interest	61			61	64
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Sub total (Gross income for AR)	52,309	5,500	-	57,809	81,383
A2 Asset and investment sales,					
(see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	_	_	
Sub total	_	_	_	_	
Can total					
Total was a fine	50.000	5.500		57.000	04.000
Total receipts	52,309	5,500	-	57,809	81,383
A3 Payments					
Salaries incl oncosts	76,861	4,342	_	81,203	57,550
Expenses:Volunteer, client, mediator	1,098	150	_	1,249	2,161
Supervision for mediators	766	755	_	1,521	1,962
Room hire	38		_	38	1,000
Rent	3,640	705	_	4,345	3,555
Communications and equipment	2,220	683	_	2,903	5,886
T and D: Staff and volunteers, workshops,	_,			=,000	
confs	473	359	-	832	1,909
Publicity, stationery, printing	318	159	-	477	982
Subs, one-off costs: NCVO LCMC RJC					
payroll, insur	1,981	40	-	2,021	2,171
Interpreters/translators/translations	297	-	_	297	136
External Consultancy (e.g. Peer Mediation					
Project)	-	1,200	-	1,200	17,090
Sub total	87,692	8,394	-	96,086	93,403
A4 Asset and investment					
purchases, (see table)					
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	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	
Total payments	87,692	8,394	-	96,086	93,403
Net of receipts/(payments)	(35,383)	(2,894)		(38,277)	(12,020)
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A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	45,810	3,685	-	49,495	61,515
Cash funds this year end	10,427	792	-	11,218	49,495
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B1 Cash funds	HSBC Accounts	10,380	792	-
	Petty Cash	47	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	10,427	792	-
	(agree balances with receipts	OV	OK	OK
	and payments account(s))	OK Unrestricted	OK Restricted	OK Endowment
		funds	funds	funds
	Details	to nearest	to nearest	to nearest
32 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
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	Details	Fund to which	Amount due	When due
35 Liabilities			-	(-0.31101)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf	Signature	Print I	Name	Date of
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	Details	Fund to which	Amount due	When due
B5 Liabilities			-	(-0.31101)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf	Signature	Print I	Name	Date of
of all the trustees				approval 31/10/202
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