

SOUTHWARK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CHARITY

Charitable Incorporated Organization; Registered Charity No: 1185489

Founded by Edna Mathieson

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

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**SOUTHWARK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CHARITY
OFFICERS AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021**

Status	Charitable Incorporated Organization Charity No 1185489; registered September 2019
Trustees	Mr Christopher Field JP (Chairman) Mr Neil Green Dr Toby Griffiths Ms Helen Ingham Mrs Edna Mathieson (retired February 2021) Ms Rhona Muir Ms Samantha Payne Dr Cameron Pyke (Hon. Secretary) Ms Susanne Saullo Mrs Jane Lunnon (Vice Chair) (from January 2021) Ms Pauline Simpson (Hon. Treasurer)
Schemes co-ordinator	Mr Christopher Parsons
Literacy scheme co-ordinator	Ms Rhona Muir
Mathematics scheme co-ordinator	Mr Neil Green
Y6 Saturday School co-ordinators	Lexi Kelly and Alexis Lacheze-Beer
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Bankers	HSBC Bank plc 28 Borough High Street London SE1 1YB
Independent examiner	Mr S A Lewcock FCCA

SOUTHWARK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CHARITY

TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Southwark Community Education Charity is a registered Charitable Incorporated Organization (Charity number 1185489) registered with the Charity Commission in September 2019. Founded by Edna Mathieson as Southwark Community Education Council, it was registered with the Charity Commission in October 1992.

The Object of the Charity is the advancement of education within the London Borough of Southwark, specifically through the operation of a scheme or series of schemes of enrichment lessons for children of primary age to promote learning, motivation and confidence. Its constitution allows for pupils at primary schools in the neighbouring boroughs of Lambeth and Lewisham to participate in any of the charity's schemes should there be unfilled spaces.

Public Benefit

In order to achieve its object, the charity runs three schemes on Saturday mornings free of charge for children from the following maintained and aided primary schools in the London Borough of Southwark:

Bessemer Grange Primary School, SE5, Dog Kennel Hill Primary School, SE22, Dulwich Wood Primary School SE21, Goose Green Primary School, SE22, Heber Primary School, SE22, Ivydale Primary School, SE15, Rye Oak Primary School, SE15, St Anthony's RC Primary School SE22, St Francesca Cabrini RC Primary School, SE23, St John's RC Primary School SE16, St John's & St Clement's CE Primary School SE15, St Joseph's RC Primary School SE16.

The charity is greatly assisted in this by the three schools of the Dulwich Foundation [Alleyn's School, Dulwich College and James Allen's Girls' School (JAGS)], who provide various facilities and services *pro bono* including making their premises available free of charge and contributing towards the teaching salaries

Features of the three schemes which emphasise the public benefit of the charity's activities are:

- Attendance on the schemes is free of charge
- Approximately 160 children from Southwark primary schools benefit annually
- Up to 50 Year 3 children who find reading and writing a challenge benefit from one-to-one tuition in literacy skills.
- Up to 50 Year 5 children with above-average mathematical skills follow an enriching curriculum designed to supplement and expand their mathematical experience
- Up to 60 Year 6 children attend enrichment sessions in laboratory science designed to prepare them for transfer to secondary school.

Trustees and Trustees' Meetings

The trustees during the year were:

Mr Christopher Field JP (Chairman)

Mr Neil Green

Dr Toby Griffiths

Ms Helen Ingham

Mrs Edna Mathieson

Ms Rhona Muir

Ms Samantha Payne

Dr Cameron Pyke (Hon. Secretary)

Ms Susanne Saullo

Mrs Jane Lunnon (from January 2021)

Ms Pauline Simpson (Hon. Treasurer)

The business of the charity is conducted by the Trustees who meet four times annually together with the schemes co-ordinator. As Covi-19 regulations were in force, meetings for the year were conducted online.

Funding

The charity relies on the generosity of grant-giving trusts and other bodies for funding its running expenses (in particular the salaries of its teachers) and is most grateful to the Angus Lawson Memorial Trust and Mrs M O Gibbs for their support. In addition, the charity acknowledges with grateful thanks the generous in-kind support from the three host independent schools, Alleyn's School, Dulwich College and James Allen's Girls' School which includes help with administration, rent-free accommodation and running the payroll. During the course of 2019-20, the three schools agreed a 5-year funding plan during which they would cover fifty per cent of the cost of staff salaries covering the years 2020-2025, for which the trustees are most grateful.

The Three Primary School Schemes

The schemes planned for the year were:

- A Literacy Scheme for children in Year 3 (aged 7-8) who are finding reading and writing challenging but who have not been statemented. They are taught by primary school LDD (Learning Difficulties and/or Disabilities) specialists in classes of up to ten children. Each child is assigned a mentor, a senior girl from JAGS, who works alongside her/him week by week providing one-to-one supervision.
- A Mathematics Scheme for children in Year 5 (aged 9-10) identified as being above average at the subject. They are taught in four classes by graduate mathematicians with experience of teaching at secondary, further and higher education levels. Teams of A level and GCSE Mathematics students from Alleyn's School act as mentors in each of the classes to provide a high level of individual supervision.
- A Laboratory Science Scheme prepares children in Year 6 (aged 10-11) for transfer to secondary education by providing specialist tuition in the three sciences, biology, chemistry and physics, in the modern science building at Dulwich College. The children are taught in three classes of 20 and are selected by the primary schools as being well motivated. Year 12 & 13 students from Dulwich College and Sydenham High School for Girls act as mentors and laboratory assistants.

Covid-19 restrictions prevented the schemes from operating during the autumn term 2020, but online sessions were mounted for the Year 5 and Year 6 schemes after Christmas and were very well received. Similar online sessions were considered for the Year 3 scheme but deemed to be impractical because the involvement of JAGS student mentors, a crucial element in the success of the scheme, would have been well-nigh impossible to replicate.

Evaluation of the schemes

Despite the restrictions caused by the pandemic, small data samples were collected from participants following the spring term online sessions. These indicated that the online sessions had been much appreciated by children, parents and participating primary schools.

Governance

As part of their fundamental responsibilities, the trustees continued to work to ensure that the charity is complying with all statutory requirements and is being run efficiently. The safeguarding policy was constantly under review with the definitive version accessible for public inspection on the charity's website (

). Work continued on the policy for Grievance Procedures. During the year, the charity's founder, Edna Mathieson, retired as a trustee, and the process of recruiting a successor was begun.

Teaching Staff

The charity is fortunate in continuing to be able to recruit and retain well-qualified staff, most of whom live locally. We record here their loyalty to the schemes during the uncertainties of the Covid-19 pandemic

Child Protection; Health and Safety

In keeping with the charity's commitment to safeguard the welfare of children in its care, its Recruitment, Child Protection and Health and Safety policies are reviewed regularly.

Financial Review

In a year in which Covid-19 restrictions loomed large, income fell from £67,766 to £15,686. Net incoming resources were £15,705 compared with £67,766 in 2020. The surplus for the year was added to reserves brought forward from previous years. The trustees are conscious of the need to maintain the charity's reserves.

Net assets at 31 August 2021 were £15,388 (2020: £19,422).

Reserves Policy

The Trustees are mindful of the necessity to maintain sufficient reserves to allow the three schemes to be run efficiently.

Risk Management

The Board of Trustees continues to review the major risks which the charity faces and introduces changes to procedures where appropriate to mitigate perceived risk. The Risk Management Policy is reviewed annually.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are required 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 results of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

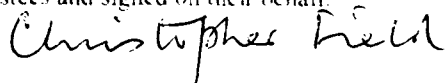
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the ongoing concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the project will continue to operate.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees confirm that the financial statements comply with the requirements of the charity's governing document and the requirements of SORP.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Christopher Field



Chairman

(date)

1st February 2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2021

	Note	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 2021 £	2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Grants and donations received	5	19	0	19	27,886
Tax rebate on donations		0	0	0	0
Other income	6	15,686	0	15,686	39,879
Bank interest		0	0	0	1
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		15,705	0	15,705	67,766
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Tutor fees payable		2,568	0	2,568	16,767
Office expenses		0	0	0	61
Gifts in kind		15,686	0	15,686	39,879
Project expenses		1,385	0	1,385	3,139
Independent examiner's fee		100	0	100	200
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		19,739	0	19,739	60,046
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		-4,034	0	-4,034	7,720
Transfers between funds					
Fund balances brought forward at 1 September 2020		18,256	1,166	19,422	11,702
Fund balances carried forward at 31 August 2021		14,222	1,166	15,388	19,422

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Bank		15,488	19,802
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Sundry creditors		-100	-380
NET CURRENT ASSETS		15,388	19,422
NET ASSETS	4	15,388	19,422
REPRESENTED BY			
Funds:			
Restricted	2	1,166	1,166
Unrestricted	3	14,222	18,256
TOTAL FUNDS		15,388	19,422

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

Christopher Freeman
Trustee

1st February 2022
Date

SOUTHWARK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CHARITY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended practice for Charity Accounts, published by the Charity Commission.

Income is accounted for on a receivable basis. Gifts in kind are included in income and expenditure at a value equivalent to the lower of market value and value in use to the charity.

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All costs are charged in the Statement of Financial Activities directly to the category to which they relate.

Unrestricted funds are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are used in accordance with the specific instructions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes.

2 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Balance
	£	£	£
JAGS Literacy Scheme (scheme didn't run)	0	0	0
	0	0	0

3 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Balance
	£	£	£
Saturday School	7,334	-7,803	-469
Family Literacy Scheme	3,296	-3,794	-498
Mathematics Scheme	5,076	-8,142	-3,066
	15,705	-19,739	-4,034

4 NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	Net Assets
	£	£	£
Restricted	1,166	0	1,166
Unrestricted	14,322	-100	14,222
Total as at 31 August 2021	15,488	-100	15,388

5 GRANTS AND DONATIONS RECEIVED

Due to Covid, the only cash received was from Amazon Smile

6 OTHER INCOME

Other income includes £15,686 (2020: £39,879) of intangible income. An equivalent amount has been included in Gifts in kind. It represents the value of the free use of the premises of the three independent schools together with administrative and payroll support costs in connection with running the schemes.

7 TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

No trustee received any expenses reimbursed during the year.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SOUTHWARK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CHARITY

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2021, which are set out attached to the report.

The report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. My independent examination has been undertaken so that I might state to the trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body for my independent examiner's work, for this report or for the statement I have given.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; the charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the 2011 Charities Act (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

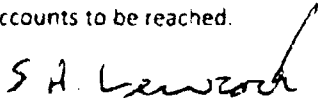
Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, and which comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act, as also contained in the Regulations, have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn, in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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11 January 2022