Registered number: 08451766 Charity number: 1107645

SANDWELL IRISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

(A company limited by guarantee)

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Trustees

Kerry Flood, Secretary Martin Prestidge Stephen Simcox Luke Cotterill Ian Cotterill

Company registered number

08451766

Charity registered number

1107645

Registered office

Langley Park Lodge 34 Langley High Street Oldbury B69 4SN

Chief executive officer

Chris Flood

Accountant

JMS Accountants Ltd 172 Lawnswood Road Stourbridge DY8 5LW

Bankers

Metro Bank One Southampton Row London WC1B 5HA

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Sandwell Irish Community Association for the year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022. The Annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) as amended by Update Bulletin 1 (effective January 2015).

Since the company qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Annual report 2021-2022

Welcome to our Annual Report, for the Sandwell Irish Community Association.

Our organisation has delivered services and support to our local community for fourteen years; here, in Langley village.

Brexit and the Pandemic is continuing to have an impact on the country and we still have to come to terms with what the full consequence and impact will be not only on our local community but regionally and the UK overall, hopefully we can learn lessons and repair the divide and find a new progressive path where there is hope for everyone.

Everyone will have their own memories, both good, and bad of the personal journey they have made through this virus. As we emerge slowly but surely from the pandemic, the question now; is how do we move forward, as both individuals and community; is it, back to the old ways of working, with the same systems and goals in place, which in a lot of case's was just being able to survive to the next year; or, do we take this opportunity for radical and progressive change.

Words come easy, actions can be harder, in our case we are sometimes reliant on others to move our agenda forward, when this happens flexibility is key and one of SICA key strengths is always having a Plan B, so moving into the future we will continue with our core values have a flexible approach to any situation provide the structure to enable a continuation of an organisation philosophy that has been built over many years. We will plan for the uncertainty that surrounds all sectors and key areas we work in, but will strive for that radical and progressive agenda and make sure it is at the forefront of our decision making.

Chris Flood Chief Executive

Achievements and Performance

Achievements for this term have grown slightly on last report as confidence is begins to grow in the community groups and service are being re-established. We can now begin to look forward and return to delivery in our key service areas.

Lodge

Services we deliver both new and old:

Services we have re-established and other we are looking to provide SICA friendship club.

Black Country Mental Health Team (NHS)

SAFL Art Class
Extend Class
Knit and natter
Youth Group
Young carers' group
Community garden
Male only fitness group

Female only fitness group

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Future Plans

Our immediate future plans focus on Langley concept; this is radical project to future proof Langley village, maintain Langley lodges relevance to it community and raise the aspiration of individual of all ages with the intent to provide jobs, and apprentices opportunities, energy security and monetary and cost of living savings.

We have begun the process; by working with Birmingham University who have raised an initial report into suitability of renewable provision for Langley Lodge. We are now looking to expand on this work to include the local and business area.

List of work with brief description: Langley concept.

- Clock tower: repair clock and chimes remedial work on tower itself
- Community garden: extend community garden removing non-native species establishing a wet area to reintroduce newts and other native species
- Royal Enfield room: refurbish building bring back into community use, sound and video recording studio, rehearsal space, oral and video history hub, visual and hearing-impaired provision
- Park, Canal, High Street: this idea is to remove all physical barriers from the three-key aspect of Langley village creating a green open space with access to the healing power of water, which in turn will provide the tools to support with positive mental health remove non-native species to encourage natural bio-diversity
- Langley Park Lodge: create an extra floor above main building to install and create a centre of mental health excellence for training and delivering low to medium and high intensity support
- Youth provision we will update once we have the structure in place
- We will continue with our core objectives of good physical and mental health and helping and supporting the most vulnerable in our communities looking to advocate for the voiceless

Public Benefit

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

Financial Review

Our income was £39,912 and our expenditure was £38,070. General unrestricted reserves are £23,029 and restricted funds are £4,571 so remain at an acceptable level.

Reserves Policy

The company aims to hold general (unrestricted) reserves of 3 months running costs.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

Sandwell Irish Community Association is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association.

Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

Sandwell Irish Community Association is governed by a board of Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Memorandum of Association.

The Board appoint a Chief Executive to help manage the organisation along with the strategic development of the company.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 22 December 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Luke Cotterill (Trustee)

Kerry Flood (Trustee)

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial. Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 22 December 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Luke Cotterill (Trustee)

Kerry Flood (Trustee)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Sandwell Irish Community Association ('the Company')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Company (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Company's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act;
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

Signed:

Dated: 22 December 2022

Melissa Smith

CIMA dip MA, MAAT

172 Lawnswood Road, Stourbridge DY8 5LW

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income from:					
Charitable activities	3	21,762	16,650	38,412	51,723
Other income	4	1,500	-	1,500	200
Total income		23,262	16,650	39,912	51,923
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	5	21,420	16,650	38,070	36,922
Total expenditure		21,420	16,650	38,070	36,922
Net movement in funds		1,842	<u> </u>	1,842	15,001
Reconciliation of funds:				·	
Total funds brought forward		21,187	4,571	25,758	10,757
Net movement in funds		1,842	-	1,842	15,001
Total funds carried forward		23,029	4,571	27,600	25,758

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 10 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

SANDWELL IRISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

Fixed assets	Note	-	2022 £	-	2021 £
Current assets					
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	9	379 29,831		370 26,907	
	_	30,210	_	27,277	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,610)		(1,519)	
Net current assets	_		27,600		25,758
Total assets less current liabilities		-	27,600	-	25,758
Net assets excluding pension asset		-	27,600	-	25,758
Total net assets		=	27,600	- -	25,758
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	12		4,571		4,571
Unrestricted funds	12		23,029		21,187
Total funds		- -	27,600	- -	25,758

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BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED) AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

The Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 22 December 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Luke Cotterill (Trustee)

Kerry Flood (Trustee)

The notes on pages 10 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. General information

The company is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association in March 2013.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Sandwell Irish Community Association meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Company has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

2.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Company's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.4 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.5 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.6 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2.7 Financial instruments

The Company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.8 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Company for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

3. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income from charitable activities - Sandwell MBC - wages	-	16,650	16,650	16,650
Income from charitable activities - Room hire	5,768	-	5,768	5,894
Income from charitable activities - Sandwell MBC - Small Business Grant Fund	10,835	-	10,835	10,000
Income from charitable activities - HMRC - CJRS	3,825	-	3,825	17,845
Income from charitable activities - Sandwell MBC - COVID support	1,334	-	1,334	1,334
Total 2022	21,762	16,650	38,412	51,723
Total 2021	35,073	16,650	51,723	

4. Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Other incoming resources	1,500	1,500	200
Total 2021	200	200	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Sandwell MBC - wages	-	16,650	16,650	16,650
Room hire	21,420	-	21,420	19,591
Sandwell MBC - Langley lights	-	-	-	681
	21,420	16,650	38,070	36,922
Total 2021	19,591	17,331	36,922	

6. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2022 £	Support costs 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Sandwell MBC - wages	16,650	-	16,650	16,650
Room hire	9,053	12,367	21,420	19,591
Sandwell MBC - Langley lights	-	-	-	681
	25,703	12,367	38,070	36,922
Total 2021	28,213	8,709	36,922	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

6. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of direct costs

	Sandwell MBC - wages 2022 £	Room hire 2022 £	Sandwell MBC - Summer festival peace event 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Wages and salaries	16,650	8,225	-	24,875	27,494
Events	-	300	-	300	681
Lunches	-	528	-	528	22
Volunteers travel & subsistence	-	-	-	-	16
	16,650	9,053	-	25,703	28,213
Total 2021	16,650	10,882	681	28,213	

Analysis of support costs

Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
2,897	2,280
1,776	1,687
1,793	371
2,841	2,397
142	120
2	7
503	313
47	48
550	350
1,112	492
664	644
40	-
12,367	8,709
	funds 2022 £ 2,897 1,776 1,793 2,841 142 2 503 47 550 1,112 664 40

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

22	0004
£	2021 £
00	400
00	160
-	400 100

8. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2021 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 March 2022, expenses totalling £NIL were reimbursed or paid directly to Trustee (2021 - £NIL to Trustee).

9. Debtors

		2022 £	2021 £
	Due within one year		
	Prepayments and accrued income	379	370
		379	370
10.	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
		2022	2021

	2022 £	2021 £
Other taxation and social security	1,444	588
Pension fund loan payable	105	-
Other creditors	8	-
Accruals and deferred income	1,053	931
	2,610	1,519

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

11 Financial instruments

Financial instruments		
	2022 £	2021 £
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	29,831	26,907

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise of assets held for trading and those financial assets designated as being held at fair value through profit or loss.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

12. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds - all funds	21,187	23,262	(21,420)	23,029
Restricted funds				
Restricted Funds - all funds	4,571	16,650	(16,650)	4,571
Total of funds	25,758	39,912	(38,070)	27,600

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

12.	Statement of funds (continued)				
	Statement of funds - prior year				
		Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
	Unrestricted funds				
	General Funds - all funds	5,505	35,273	(19,591)	21,187
	Restricted funds				
	Restricted Funds - all funds	5,252	16,650	(17,331)	4,571
	Total of funds	10,757	51,923	(36,922)	25,758
13.	Summary of funds				
13.	Summary of funds - current year				
13.		Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
13.		April 2021			31 March 2022
13.	Summary of funds - current year General funds	April 2021 £ 21,187	£ 23,262	£ (21,420)	31 March 2022 £ 23,029
13.	Summary of funds - current year General funds	April 2021 £ 21,187 4,571	£ 23,262 16,650	£ (21,420) (16,650)	31 March 2022 £ 23,029 4,571
13.	Summary of funds - current year General funds Restricted funds	April 2021 £ 21,187 4,571	£ 23,262 16,650	£ (21,420) (16,650)	31 March 2022 £ 23,029 4,571
13.	Summary of funds - current year General funds Restricted funds	April 2021 £ 21,187 4,571 25,758 Balance at 1 April 2020	£ 23,262 16,650 39,912	£ (21,420) (16,650) (38,070)	31 March 2022 £ 23,029 4,571 27,600 Balance at 31 March 2021
13.	Summary of funds - current year General funds Restricted funds Summary of funds - prior year	April 2021 £ 21,187 4,571 25,758 Balance at 1 April 2020 £	£ 23,262 16,650 39,912	£ (21,420) (16,650) (38,070)	31 March 2022 £ 23,029 4,571 27,600 Balance at 31 March 2021 £

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

14. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

,,,,,,,,,,	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Current assets	25,639	4,571	30,210
Creditors due within one year	(2,610)	-	(2,610)
Total	23,029	4,571	27,600
Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year			
	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Current assets	22,706	4,571	27,277
Creditors due within one year	(1,519)	-	(1,519)
Total	21,187	4,571	25,758