Charity number: 1091887

Company number: 04184090

(England and Wales)

## **Ascension Community Trust**

Directors' Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2019

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## Ascension Community Trust Report of the Trustees For the year ended 31 March 2019

The Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements for the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2019. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### Objectives and aims

Five Years Objectives (Set in January 2018)

To reduce isolation and loneliness amongst the elderly.

To improve the health and wellbeing of the local community, with a focus on mental health.

To reduce the vulnerability of struggling families.

To integrate the community through community spaces, social activities and volunteering.

To improve the education of local young people through the provision of activities, including sport.

To improve individual's own ability to address their issues by providing advice and support for money, benefits and employment.

#### Aims for 2019/2020

To set up an advice service addressing benefits, money and housing and identify if the service needs increasing.

To set up a five day a week after school club that provides opportunities for volunteering and supports children's education.

On the basis of research change the format of our work with the elderly to better address the changing needs of the ageing population.

Develop the Saturday football academy and introduce a new coach to allow for expansion.

The trustees have considered the Charity Commision's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

### Ascension Community Trust Report of the Trustees Continued For the year ended 31 March 2019

#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

#### Significant activities

Achievements and Performance

Significant Activities

The past year has been one of making significant steps to improve the sustainability and impact of Ascension Community Trust in the community. Continuing from last year our work aims to "Enable the whole community to make the community whole". This mission statement means that we aim to work with all people within our community and encourage individuals to work together. Our work is also holistic: We work with people, not problems and so will support individuals in all areas of their lives aiming to create 'whole' people.

In this financial year we secured funding for a new advice service, providing support to local people on complex issues including housing and benefits. After research with local families we secured funding to set up an after-school club running Monday to Friday based at the Ascension Church Centre. The funds for these will appear in the 2019/2020 accounts and are both due to start in the financial year 2019/2020. To tie in with the start of a new after school club we have created a new branch of work. This appears in our accounts as "children and families". This work includes the annual summer schemes that we have been running through the Garden Café for many years and family fun days that take place periodically through the year.

Project Updates

Elders

The elders project has continued this year with more successful events including another Christmas Party with over 100 attendees. We had to reduce some of our activities in line with funding restrictions this year. We have become aware of the changing ageing population and have researched how best to support new retirees. This will lead to a change in the format of some of our work in 2019 and will enable us to create better steps for self-sustainability in the future.

Garden Café

The biggest change in the café in this financial year has been our openings on Saturdays. We did this to meet more people in the community who are not available during the weekdays and to support our self-sustainability. This has improved our takings and enabled us to meet more families in the area. Over this year we also secured funding to run a number of free community events to promote integration. These have been hugely popular and included free community meals, family craft workshops, quiz nights and live music events. Our plans are to continue these in the coming years.

Children's Work

We ran another successful two week long summer scheme for children in the local community including a two outside trips. With 62 children in attendance this was our busiest summer scheme yet and only possible with an amazing team of 20 staff and volunteers. We also see these children throughout the year at our family fun days. Our focus for our fun days this year was family and encouraging children and parents to play together. To help this happen we made the day free for adults and all ages of children were welcome to come.

AFA

The highlight of our football academy this year was our two soccer schools. Working in partnership with Ambassadors football, Royal Docks Academy and Felsted Mission Council we were able to put on another two weeks of football programmes for local children and young people at an affordable price. Both the soccer schools and our regular Saturday sessions have increased in popularity over this year and we are therefore looking to source a new coach for Saturdays.

We thank God for the opportunities we have had this last year to work within our community empowering local people and enabling them to be the best version of themselves.

### Ascension Community Trust Report of the Trustees Continued For the year ended 31 March 2019

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### Significant events

Our accounts show the growth of the charity which we believe will continue into next year. There is a small deficit for this year due to delays in grants being handed over to the charity, something out of our control. Plans are in place to gradually increase our unrestricted funds to create better security for the charity in the coming years.

#### Principle Funding Sources

We would like to take this opportunity to recognise and thank our many volunteers, donors and funders for their continued support of Ascension Community Trust. Funders during 2019/2019 include:

Ascension Church Centre

Church Urban Fund

Felsted School Mission

London Borough of Newham

London City Airport

London Over the Border

Morgan Stanley

National Citizenship Service

Royal Docks Community Church

Royal Docks Trust

Royal Docks Academy

Tove Valley Baptist Fellowship

Transform Newham

Tudor Trust

#### Reserves

The Ascension Community Trust will hold £5,000 in unrestricted reserves. The board has agreed that the reserves level should stand at 5% of annual operating expenditure. That is because the charity does not own any buildings, the rent for the Garden Community Café can be terminated within 3 months and all salaries paid are set to a fixed term date in line with funding received. The policy will be monitored and reviewed by the board of trustees on an annual basis.

#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Name of Charity Ascension Community Trust

Charity registration number 1091887 Company registration number 04184090

Principal address Ascension Church Centre

Baxter Road Custom House

London E16 3HJ

#### Trustees

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Rev'd D Chesney Dr. N J Copsey C G Crombie W J B Lake A MacDonald J A Thomas

(Resigned: 06 September 2018)

## Ascension Community Trust Report of the Trustees Continued For the year ended 31 March 2019

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Independent examiners	Willis Burnell Ltd.
	Unit 3 The Courtyard
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Approved by the Board of Trustees and sign	
Rev'd D Chesney	21 November 2019

Secretary

## Ascension Community Trust Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees For the year ended 31 March 2019

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2019.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, 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 your charity'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 examiners 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 that in any material respect:

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the accounts do not comply with the 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.

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Willis Burnell Ltd. Unit 3 The Courtyard Parsonage Stocks Road Faversham Kent ME13 0ET

21 November 2019

# Ascension Community Trust Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) For the year ended 31 March 2019

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2019	2018
		£	£	£	£
Income and endowments					
from:					
Donations and legacies	2	50,424	31,300	81,724	88,280
Charitable activities	3	-	7,839	7,839	8,501
Other trading activites	4	37,774	443	38,217	22,850
Total		88,198	39,582	127,780	119,631
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	5/6	(67,689)	(25,142)	(92,831)	(80,549)
Charitable activities	7/8	(11,422)	(28,003)	(39,425)	(22,640)
Total		(79,111)	(53,145)	(132,256)	(103,189)
Net income/expenditure		9,087	(13,563)	(4,476)	16,442
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		(32)	30,967	30,935	14,493
Total funds carried forward		9,055	17,404	26,459	30,935

Registered Number: 04184090

### Ascension Community Trust Statement of Financial Position As at 31 March 2019

	Notes	2019	2018
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	13	5,325	1,240
		5,325	1,240
Current assets			
Debtors	14	1,372	2,877
Cash at bank and in hand		44,557	46,613
		45,929	49,490
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(24,795)	(19,795)
Net current assets		21,134	29,695
Total assets less current liabilities		26,459	30,935
Net assets		26,459	30,935
The funds of the charity			
Restricted income funds	16	17,404	30,967
Unrestricted income funds	16	9,055	(32)
Total funds		26,459	30,935

For the year ended 31 March 2019 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,
- The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts. These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statement were approved and authorised for issue by the Board and signed on its behalf by:

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Rev'd D Chesney

Trustee

21 November 2019

#### 1. Accounting Policies

#### Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investments which are included at market value and the revaluation of certain fixed assets and 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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and the Companies Act 2006.

Ascension Community Trust 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 note(s).

#### Statement of cash flows

The Trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in SORP FRS 102 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charitable company is small.

#### Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the Charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

#### Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended when there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure:

#### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Land and buildings
Plant and machinery

Over the life of the lease Straight line 25% Reducing balance

#### Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is included in the Statement of Financial Activities, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

#### 2. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019	2018
	funds	funds		
	£	£	£	£
Donations received	1,730	1,592	3,322	11,165
Grants received	48,694	29,708	78,402	77,115
	50,424	31,300	81,724	88,280

#### 3. Income from charitable activities

			2019	2018
			£	£
Restricted funds				
Ascension Football Academy				
Income from charitable activities			3,909	2,992
Elders Activities				
Income from charitable activities			3,930	5,509
		_	7,839	8,501
Income earned from other activities		_		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2019	2018
	£	£	£	£
Shop income	37,010	-	37,010	21,445
Other activities for generating funds	764	443	1,207	1,405
	37,774	443	38,217	22,850
Expenditure on generating donations and legacies				
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2019	2018
	£	£	£	£
Donations	1,181	25	1,206	-
Support costs	8,723	25,117	33,840	23,889
	9,904	25,142	35,046	23,889
Expenditure on other trading activities				
1			2019	2018
			£	£
Unrestricted funds				
Unrestricted funds Shop costs			57,785	56,660

## 7. Costs of charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2019	2018
	£	£	£	£
Ascension Football Academy	-	6,832	6,832	7,043
Elders Activities	-	17,236	17,236	15,597
Community Work	8,637	-	8,637	-
Art Recovery	2,785	-	2,785	-
Children and Families	-	3,935	3,935	-
	11,422	28,003	39,425	22,640

### 8. Costs of charitable activities by activity type

	2019	2018
	£	£
Activities undertaken directly		
Ascension Football Academy	6,832	7,043
Elders Activities	17,236	15,597
Community Work	8,637	-
Art Recovery	2,785	-
Children and Families	3,935	-
	39,425	22,640

## 9. Analysis of support costs

	2019	2018
	£	£
Management	27,791	11,496
Governance costs	6,049	12,393
	33,840	23,889

### 10. Net income/(expenditure) for the year

This is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2019	2018
	£	£
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	1,758	413
Accountancy fees	1,737	1,614
Staff pension contributions	271	-

#### 11. Staff costs

Total staff costs for the year ended 31 March 2019 were:

2019	2018
£	£
,702	45,807
530	-
271	-
,503	45,807
l	1,702

### 12. Comparative for the Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2018
	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	29,405	58,875	88,280
Charitable activities	-	8,501	8,501
Other trading activites	21,835	1,015	22,850
Total	51,240	68,391	119,631
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	(35,563)	(32,593)	(68,156)
Charitable activities	-	(22,640)	(22,640)
Total	(35,563)	(55,233)	(90,796)
Transfers between funds	1,596	(1,596)	-
Net movement in funds	17,273	11,562	28,835
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward	(4,912)	19,405	14,493
Total funds carried forward	12,361	30,967	43,328

## 13. Tangible fixed assets

Cost or valuation	Land and buildings	Fixtures and fittings	Total
	£	£	£
At 01 April 2018	44,688	19,883	64,571
Additions		5,843	5,843
At 31 March 2019	44,688	25,726	70,414
Depreciation			
At 01 April 2018	44,688	18,643	63,331
Charge for year	-	1,758	1,758
At 31 March 2019	44,688	20,401	65,089
Net book values			
At 31 March 2019		5,325	5,325
At 31 March 2018	-	1,240	1,240
14. Debtors		2019 £	2018 £
Amounts due within one year:			
Prepayments and accrued income		1,372	2,877
		1,372	2,877
15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
		2019	2018
		£	£
Other creditors		795	795
Accruals and deferred income		24,000	19,000
		24,795	19,795

#### 16. Movement in funds

Unres	tricted	Funds
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	Balance at 01/04/2018	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Balance at 31/03/2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated					
General Reserve	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
General					
Garden Cafe	422	75,690	(69,859)	(6,000)	253
General	(5,454)	12,508	(9,252)	6,000	3,802
	(32)	88,198	(79,111)	-	9,055
Unrestricted Funds - Previous year					
	Balance at 01/04/2017	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Balance at 31/03/2018
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated					
General Reserve	-	5,000	-	-	5,000
General					
Garden Cafe	672	23,817	(24,067)	-	422
General	(5,584)	22,423	(23,889)	1,596	(5,454)
	(4,912)	51,240	(47,956)	1,596	(32)

## Purpose of unrestricted Funds

Garden Cafe

To provide finance for activities within the Garden Cafe.

General Reserve

To provide working capital

General

To fulfill the charity's general objectives.

#### **Restricted Funds**

	Balance at 01/04/2018	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Balance at 31/03/2019
	£	£	£	£	£
CEO	-	23,923	(25,142)	-	(1,219)
Children and families	-	3,956	(3,935)	-	21
Elders Activities	11,925	6,410	(17,236)	-	1,099
Football Academy	3,601	5,293	(6,832)	-	2,062
Garden Cafe	15,441	-	-	-	15,441
	30,967	39,582	(53,145)	-	17,404
Restricted Funds - Previous year					
	Balance at 01/04/2017	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Balance at 31/03/2018
	£	£	£	£	£
Ascension Arts	1,596	-	-	(1,596)	-
Elders Activities	(1,469)	28,991	(15,597)	-	11,925
Football Academy	2,804	7,840	(7,043)	-	3,601
Garden Cafe	16,474	31,560	(32,593)	-	15,441
	19,405	68,391	(55,233)	(1,596)	30,967

#### Purpose of restricted funds

Football Academy

To provide equipment and training resources for the Football Academy.

Garden Cafe Refurbishments

To finance refurbishments to the Garden Cafe.

Elders Activities

To finance a range of activities focused on older members of the community.

Ascension Arts

To promote the arts within the community.

Garden Cafe

To provide staffing for the Garden Cafe

CEO

Provision of employment costs for CEO.

Children and families

Provide facilities for families with children in the community.

#### 17. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Tangible fixed assets	Net current assets / (liabilities)	Net Assets
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General			
Garden Cafe	-	253	253
General	5,325	(1,523)	3,802
Designated			
General Reserve	-	5,000	5,000
Restricted funds			
CEO	-	(1,219)	(1,219)
Children and families	-	21	21
Elders Activities	-	1,099	1,099
Football Academy	-	2,062	2,062
Garden Cafe	-	15,441	15,441
	5,325	21,134	26,459

### Previous year

	Tangible fixed assets	Net current assets / (liabilities)	Net Assets
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General			
Garden Cafe	-	422	422
General	1,240	(6,694)	(5,454)
Designated			
General Reserve	-	5,000	5,000
Restricted funds			
Elders Activities	-	11,925	11,925
Football Academy	-	3,601	3,601
Garden Cafe	-	15,441	15,441
	1,240	29,695	30,935

## 18. Company limited by guarantee

Ascension Community Trust is a company limited by guarantee and accordingly does not have a share capital.

## Ascension Community Trust Detailed Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 March 2019

	2019	2018
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENT		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	3,322	11,165
Grants receivable	78,402	77,115
Charitable activities	81,724	88,280
Income from charitable activities (Ascension Football Academy)	3,909	2,992
Income from charitable activities (Elders Activities)	3,930	5,509
	7,839	8,501
Other trading activities		
Shop income	37,010	21,445
Income from Other activities for generating funds	1,207	1,405
	38,217	22,850
Total incoming resources	127,780	119,631
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Donations	(1,206)	-
	(1,206)	-
Other trading activities	(T0-1)	( <b>-</b> )
Shop costs	(57,785)	(56,660)
	(57,785)	(56,660)
Charitable activities		
Cost of direct charitable activity (Ascension Football Academy)	(6,832)	(7,043)
Cost of direct charitable activity (Elders Activities)	(17,236)	(15,597)
Cost of direct charitable activity (Community Work)	(8,637)	-
Cost of direct charitable activity (Art Recovery)	(2,785)	-
Cost of direct charitable activity (Children and Families)	(3,935)	-
	(39,425)	(22,640)
SUPPORT COSTS		
Management		
Management	(27,791)	(11,496)
Governance costs	(27,791)	(11,496)
GOVERNANCE COSIS		

## Ascension Community Trust Detailed Statement of Financial Activities Continued For the year ended 31 March 2019

Governance costs	(6,049)	(12,393)
	(6,049)	(12,393)
Total resources expended	(132,256)	(103,189)
Net Expenditure	(4,476)	16,442