

Charity Registration No. 1146590

Company Registration No. 07700933 (England and Wales)

LIGHT PROJECT PRO INTERNATIONAL
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Michelline S Ngongo (Chairperson) Kalemba Nzola Patricia Elesheku The Rt. Hon. Jeremy Corbyn Ulrike Schmidt Valentine Djema Cyrille Dampare Kelwyn Williams
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Company number	07700933
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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

Objectives and activities

The charity's objectives are to bring together families and volunteers to improve the educational opportunities of local communities, particularly on people at risk of being socially marginalised. We aim to promote social inclusion and thus everyone is welcome to take part in our projects.

Public benefit

In compliance with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, when setting the objectives and planning the work of the Charity for the year as outlined above, the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

During the Summer of 2019 LPPI were informed that Islington Borough Council were considering plans to redevelop the Southern area of Bemerton Estate as part of its ongoing programme to build more social housing. Part of this plan would be to refurbish Orkney House and add a two storey mixture of retail units and community spaces to the eastern side of the building fronting onto the Caledonian Road, this would entail the tenants of the ground and first floor having to be rehoused during the period of refurbishment and then moving into one of the new community spaces once the work is completed. We do not have dates either for the commencement of this work or how long it will take to complete but we do have assurances from Islington Council that they will rehouse us during the works period and grant us one of the community spaces once it is complete. We will keep everyone appraised of the situation as and when we receive more information. It is going to be a very busy and disruptive period for us but rest assured we will be doing all we possibly can to ensure the transition is as smooth as it possibly can be.

On other fronts we continue to widen our network of contacts with other organisations.

In August 2018 LPPI was accepted as a member of the Octopus Group of Community Centres. This organisation is an umbrella group for the leading community hubs in the Borough of Islington and this membership cements our place as a key community asset in the local area.

We aim to promote social inclusion and thus everyone is welcome to take part in our projects. Our vision is one where the deprived communities targeted have increased life chances as they are given the education, skills and means to do so.

We continue to place young people at the forefront of our activities to try and create a strong and lasting foundation that will serve them into adulthood. We help to create this foundation by equipping them with the knowledge and skills as well as the personal, social and physical development they will need to succeed in life. As a consequence of this we have been instrumental in helping many to achieve better exam results than ever before and in doing so set them on the path to further and higher education and by doing this we widen their social horizons and hugely improve their job opportunities.

We have, on average, 90 to 100 local children every week who come through our doors and participate in our Homework Club, Mother Tongue Classes and the many other projects that we run over the course of the year.

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LPPI has become an accredited, OCR examination centre in addition we have become accredited to Pearson-Edexcel and is now able to offer the possibility of sitting GCSE's and A levels in Arabic. This is a great addition to our educational facilities and enhances our ability to offer a full educational package. Mother Tongue Arabic classes are running on a twice weekly basis with 5 separate classes with a total of 65-70 young persons attending on each day – this is one of LPPI's most successful projects and we are very proud of it and all those who help to make it such a success. For the future we are going to introduce our most able pupils to take a GCSE in Arabic as part of our new Examinations centre.

The Homework Club has taken on a new lease of life with the appointment of our new Educational Co-ordinator whose professional input is taking the enterprise to a new level of professionalism coordinating the syllabus so it meshes with wider leaning themes relevant to the social, cultural and academic needs of the children. A group of our children also participated in the BBC Children in Need programme this year.

We principally operate through educational projects but over the last 2 years we have expanded our remit to include an employment surgery to help the unemployed in our community to gain the skills necessary to help them back into employment. We are also now working in partnership with Islington Adult education to offer ESOL, IT and Employability skills to augment what we can offer as part of our Job Surgery increasing the help that we are able to offer to the long term unemployed.

LPPI continues to give people of all ages an opportunity for volunteering, providing them with many benefits including an increase in self-confidence, self-esteem, and life satisfaction. The role of volunteer gives a person a sense of pride and identity. One of the better-known benefits of volunteering is the impact on the community. This year we have been running an outreach programme, to both recruit new learners for the courses we run and volunteers to help run our other programmes, with considerable success and as a consequence we have a number of new volunteers working with us.

The Understanding Community Interpreting continues to be a huge success and we are currently recruiting to extend the course so it takes in a number of levels leading to accreditation at level 3 which counts as a professional qualification.

We are working in partnership with 'Help On Your Doorstep', an outreach charity whose remit is to undertake door to door canvassing of residents needs and who are going to help us recruit users for the courses that we are able to offer.

To continue our capacity building programme we have held a series of in-house training sessions for our staff and volunteers during the year which have included Health and safety – conducted by the London Hazards Centre: Risk Assessment training: Safeguarding and Child Protection. Fire Marshall training for key staff and volunteers: General First Aid Training and Child -First Aid training, Safeguarding and Child Protection and the mental Health First Aid course via Islington Council. Staff members have also attended a number of capacity building events which have included subjects like making successful funding applications and better usage of social media and managing volunteers run by The London Community Foundation. Staff members have also attended capacity building sessions organised by Islington Council and the FSI.

The Mission Statement of Light Project Pro International (LPPI) is to work in partnership with other key agencies and mainstream providers to offer a range of services to residents of Islington and surrounding boroughs. For example some of these key agencies with whom we have been working are: Local schools children, Caledonian Ward Old People's Homes, Kurdish Community Association, Algerian Community, Cameroon Community Group, Somali Community Association, Congolese Refugee groups, Arsenal Community, Race Equality Foundation, Initiatives for Change, Help on Your Doorstep, London Community Trust, TUC, Caledonian Employment Hub, Catch 22, Westminster Kingsway College and City and Islington College. We estimate that over the last 12 months there have been about 850-900 active users through the premises on various courses, classes and events.

We also help to pull the local people together through many community events which help to strengthen the bridges between schools, parents, students, social services and police. We provide courses for people to whom English is not their first language. The aim of these is to develop their spoken language, listening, reading, writing, grammar and study skills so that they can cope with everyday life in the UK and progress to a vocational or academic course and improve their employment prospects.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

To continue to increase the impact we make with our work we need to respond to the funding challenges faced by many charities – targeting our resources effectively, influencing and working in partnership with others and ensuring we are as efficient as possible in all that we do. I am confident we will continue to deliver high-quality services to the most vulnerable children, young people and families - those who need us most.

Financial review

During the period, the Charity continued to rely upon donations and grants for its income, with total incoming resources of £62,359. Governance costs totalled £4,465 and included independent examiners fees and legal and professional fees.

The Charity recorded a net surplus of £1,310 which resulted in reserves at the year-end of £25,316. It is the policy of the charity that reserves which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees considers that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The principal funding sources for the charity are currently by way of grants from various organisations.

Risk management

The current situation with regard to the redevelopment of the Bemerton Estate and our temporary rehousing has introduced a number of issues involving our risk assessment. Our trustees are currently developing a policy that endeavours to mitigate that risk as far as is possible. The trustees have assessed all the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to reduce exposure to the major risks.

Plans for the future

The trustees are going to hold a facilitated away-day to create a new business plan for the next three years to continue moving Light Project Pro International forward to better serve the people of our community

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee governed by its rules set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association. It was registered with the Charity Commission on 26 March 2012.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Michelline S Ngongo (Chairperson)

Joe Tshomba

(Resigned 7 November 2018)

Kalembe Nzola

Patricia Elesheku

The Rt. Hon. Jeremy Corbyn

Ulrike Schmidt

Valentine Djema

Cyrille Dampare

Kelwyn Williams

Recruitment and appointment

The trustees are appointed in accordance with the terms of the governing document. The trustees meet regularly, as needed, to consider the charity's recruitment needs.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

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Induction and training

Induction and training of the trustees is undertaken on an informal basis. All trustees are kept informed at meetings of their duties and obligations under the law in addition to their proper conduct.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



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Michelline S Ngongo (Chairperson)

Trustee

Dated: 13/12/2019

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF LIGHT PROJECT PRO INTERNATIONAL

I report on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2019, which are set out on pages 6 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees, who are also the directors of Light Project Pro International for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011, the 2011 Act, and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from 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 financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - (ii) to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities;have not been met or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

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Dated: 13/12/19

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
Income from:					
Charitable activities	2	-	62,359	62,359	48,440
Expenditure on:					
<u>Charitable activities</u>					
Educational projects	3	-	61,049	61,049	70,775
Total charitable expenditure		-	61,049	61,049	70,775
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		-	1,310	1,310	(22,335)
Fund balances at 1 April 2018		3,000	21,006	24,006	46,341
Fund balances at 31 March 2019		<u>3,000</u>	<u>22,316</u>	<u>25,316</u>	<u>24,006</u>

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2019


	Notes	2019 £	£	2018 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		3,825		5,100
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		34,519		28,040	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(13,028)		(9,134)	
Net current assets			21,491		18,906
Total assets less current liabilities			25,316		24,006
Income funds					
Restricted funds			22,316		21,006
Unrestricted funds			3,000		3,000
			25,316		24,006

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2019. No member of the company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 476, requiring an audit of these financial statements.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 18/12/2019


 Michelline S Ngongo (Chairperson)
 Trustee

Company Registration No. 07700933

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Light Project Pro International is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Palladium House, 1-4 Argyll Street, London, W1F 7LD.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for expenditure.

Charitable activities comprise of grants and donations made during the year.

Governance costs relate to the general running of the charity as opposed to the management functions inherent to generating funds. Such costs include the independent examination and legal fees.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures, fittings & equipment	25% reducing balance
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.9 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.10 Fund Accounting

Restricted funds comprise monies raised for, or their use restricted to, a specific purpose, or contributions subject to donor imposed conditions.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees for application towards achieving any charitable purpose that falls within the Charity's charitable objects.

2 Charitable activities

	2019 £	2018 £
Grants receivable	62,359	48,440

During the period the charity received grants of £15,150 (2018: £20,000) from Islington Borough.

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3 Charitable activities

	2019 £	2018 £
Staff costs	21,484	16,650
Depreciation and impairment	1,275	1,700
Rent and rates	12,792	13,538
Cleaning	752	3,064
Repairs and maintenance	2,031	9,997
PPS	2,975	3,109
Telephone	1,662	2,275
Computer costs	1,563	1,028
Travel	4,502	4,929
Events	3,135	6,940
Tutor fees	-	797
Sundry expenses	2,467	658
Refreshments	919	3,117
Bank charges	277	767
Media	750	-
	<u>56,584</u>	<u>68,569</u>
Share of governance costs (see note 4)	4,465	2,206
	<u>61,049</u>	<u>70,775</u>
Analysis by fund		
Restricted funds	61,049	
	<u>61,049</u>	
For the year ended 31 March 2018		
Restricted funds		70,775
		<u>70,775</u>

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4 Support and governance costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2019 £	2018 £	Basis of allocation
Accountancy	-	2,400	2,400	1,560	Governance
Legal and professional	-	2,065	2,065	646	Governance
	<u>-</u>	<u>4,465</u>	<u>4,465</u>	<u>2,206</u>	
Analysed between					
Charitable activities	-	4,465	4,465	2,206	
	<u>-</u>	<u>4,465</u>	<u>4,465</u>	<u>2,206</u>	

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiner of £2,400 (2018- £1,560) for the independent examination fees.

5 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

6 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number employees during the year was:

	2019 Number	2018 Number
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Employment costs	2019 £	2018 £
Wages and salaries	<u>21,484</u>	<u>16,650</u>

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7 Tangible fixed assets

Fixtures, fittings & equipment
£

Cost

At 1 April 2018

14,668

At 31 March 2019

14,668

Depreciation and impairment

At 1 April 2018

9,568

Depreciation charged in the year

1,275

At 31 March 2019

10,843

Carrying amount

At 31 March 2019

3,825

At 31 March 2018

5,100

8 Financial instruments

2019

2018

£

£

Carrying amount of financial liabilities

Measured at amortised cost

13,197

10,297

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

2019

2018

£

£

Other taxation and social security

(169)

(1,163)

Other creditors

2,696

1,357

Accruals and deferred income

10,501

8,940

13,028

9,134

10 Analysis of net assets between funds

Unrestricted
funds

Restricted
funds

Total

£

£

£

Fund balances at 31 March 2019 are represented by:

Tangible assets

3,825

-

3,825

Current assets/(liabilities)

21,491

-

21,491

25,316

-

25,316

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11 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2018 - none).