Charity Number: 1163533

# Levenshulme Inspire Foundation

Report and financial statements
For the year ended 31st March 2019

#### Levenshulme Inspire Foundation

#### Reference and administrative information

for the year ended 31st March 2019

Charity number 1163533

Registered office and operational address 68 Albert Road

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**Trustees** Trustees, who are also directors under company law, who served during the year

and up to the date of this report were as follows:

Mrs Anne Priest Chair

Mrs Kalsoom Akhtar

Mr Edward Cox

**Bankers** The Co-operative Bank

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**examiner** Greenfish Resource Centre, 46-50 Oldham St, Manchester, M4 1LE

# Levenshulme Inspire Foundation Trustees' annual report for the year ended 31st March 2019

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

Reference and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report.

#### **Objectives and activities**

The objects of the Inspire Foundation are:

- a. The promotion and provision of community capacity building, including developing the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in wider society.
- b. The relief and prevention of poverty including financial hardship in the locality by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, and referral with all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate or access a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.
- c. The advancement of education in those otherwise disadvantaged by providing and assisting training in social and physical skills of people of all ages but particularly young people, the elderly, people with mental health needs, refugees and asylum seekers. In addition, the charity will assist in the provision of education for those preparing for entry to any occupation, trade or profession.

The trustees review the aims, objectives and activities of the charity each year. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period. The trustees report the success of each key activity and the benefits the charity has brought to those groups of people that it is set up to help. The review also helps the trustees ensure the charity's aims, objectives and activities remained focused on its stated purposes.

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

The primary activities carried out by the Inspire Foundation concern the Inspired People's Project – a project to support and empower older people living in the Levenshulme area. Throughout the year over 300 older people took part in different activities including 'Exercise and Eat' sessions; 'Discussion Circle' where people receive advice and guidance; and 'Computer Buddies' where people learn IT skills. The project also conducted a number of visits; an independent evaluation; and it continued its Inspired Taskforce which empowers older people to improve services and make Levenshulme a more agefriendly neighbourhood.

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#### **Achievements and performance**

The charity's main activities and who it tries to help are described below. To date, the majority of its charitable activities focus on older people and are undertaken to further Levenshulme Inspire Foundation's charitable purposes for the public benefit.

During 2018/19 the Inspired People's Project has continued to flourish. Alongside a wide range of weekly activities including Happy Mondays, Computer Buddies, Exercise & Eat groups etc, one of the most popular developments has been the formation of 'Inspire The Choir' that has practised together and performed in a variety of locations, including at the local Levenshulme Market.

Many of the older people have been encouraged to take up volunteering roles in the wider community centre, including a small team who ran a 'Christmas Café' and Christmas Day lunch so we could still provide a social meeting place for our customers for whom Christmas is a difficult time of the year.

The Lottery-funded, Inspire People's Taskforce has continued its 'campaigning' role with new campaigns including running regular Community Conversations about local issues and concerns; developing and delivering a Taxi Driver training package; a wider 'Be Kind' local kindness campaign. The project was delighted to receive Age-Friendly Levenshulme accreditation from Greater Manchester Mayor Andy Burnham.

Alongside our older people's work, the Foundation has supported 'The Bread and Butter Thing' – a weekly scheme to provide, low-cost 'recycled' food bags to over 100 people as a more healthy, less stigmatising alternative to a food bank. We run a very popular and successful Toddler Group and we have been supporting a mutual support group of women refugees. Our former 'business centre' has been rebranded as the Elevate Centre and now provides office and hot-desking space for nearly 10 different charities and community organisations providing services to build cohesion and integration in Levenshulme.

We also held a special community fun day to give people an opportunity to think about Hate Crime and we have become a local Hate Crime Reporting Centre.

#### Financial review

The Foundation has received a number of small grants during the year largely to support our older people's work. Other income has come through the on-going Big Lottery Fund grant to develop the Inspired People's Taskforce. Throughout the year, the Taskforce has taken steps to become an independent organisation in its own right by July 2021. Most payments have concerned the Inspired People's Project and other activities associated with small, restricted grants. A number of small donations have been made for specific activities in the centre.

The closing bank balance at the end of the reporting period was £58,806, of which £54,856 is restricted funds carried forward.

#### Reserves policy

At present the trustees have decided that holding reserves is unnecessary. Current staff are funded through restricted grant income and have contracts which come to an end when the grant funding terminates. This matter remains under regular review and small-scale fundraising activities are being developed in order to create a small pot of unrestricted funding.

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#### Structure, governance and management

At present the charity trustees are those appointed as the 'first trustees' when the charity was established. These trustees reserve the right to appoint further trustees for a period of three years by the passing of a resolution at a properly convened meeting of the trustee body with regard for the effective administration of the charity. This could include up to two nominated trustees from the Inspire Forum and two from Levenshulme Inspire United Reformed Church.

The Inspire Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which was constituted on 14 September 2015 and operates according to its constitution of that date. It is run by a board of trustees who meet on a quarterly basis to review activities and shape the strategic direction of the Foundation.

The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity.

#### Independent examiner's report

#### to the trustees of

#### Levenshulme Inspire Foundation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 which are set out on pages 7 to 9.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 that in any material respect:

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records

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.

Catherine Hall FCCA DChA

Slade & Cooper Limited, Chartered Certified Accountants Green Fish Resource Centre, 46-50 Oldham Street Manchester, M4 ILE Date 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020

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### Receipts and Payments Accounts for the period ended 31 March 2019

		Destricted	Llargatriated	Total	Total
	Note	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	2019 £	2018 £
Receipts					
Donations		-	728	728	6,765
Grant Income		21,385	-	21,385	-
Total receipts	_	21,385	728	22,113	6,765
Payments	_				
Charitable expenditure					
IPP Costs					
Salaries		37,772	-	37,772	32,693
Printing		154	- 1 220	154	357
Accountancy Project Costs		- 1,893	1,320 213	1,320 2,106	-
Admin & Finance Costs		-	330	330	3,944
Catering & Room Hire		15,810	-	15,810	16,513
Activity Contingency		1,334	-	1,334	3,183
Travel		-	-	-	614
Utilities		2,400	-	2,400	4,200
Donations		-	250	250	975
Other Expenses Memberships		135	- 500	135 500	2,755
Women's Group Project costs		-	-	-	-
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Total payments	_	59,498	2,613	62,111	65,234
Net receipts for the year		(38,113)	(1,885)	(39,998)	(58,469)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	3	(38,113)	(1,885)	(39,998)	(58,469)
Bank and cash balances at start of year		92,969	5,835	98,804	157,273
Bank and cash balances at end of the ye	ear	£ 54,856	£ 3,950	58,806	98,804
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#### **Levensulme Inspire Foundation**

### Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2019

	2019 £	2018 £
Bank and cash balances	58,806	98,804
Liabilities Creditors due within one year	660	660

#### Notes

- 1 The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. As a lower-income charity under section 133 of the 2011 Act, the trustees have elected to prepare the charity's financial statements using the Receipts & Payments basis.
- 2 Related parties: The charity works alongside a company, Levenshulme Inspire Community Enterprise CIC (company registration no. 0652795). Edward Cox and Anne Priest are trustees of the charity and directors of the company. The Inspired Peoples Project (IPP) is run by the company; it was the stipulation of an external anonymous donor of £200,000 that the monies be applied to this project by the charity over the next 1 to 3 years. Amounts donated by the charity to IPP through Levenshulme Inspire CIC are £57,605 (2018: £63,900). The trustees ensure that there any conflict of interest is dealt with by consultation between the CIC Directors, Foundation trustees and funders as appropriate.

#### 3 Restricted funds

	As at 31 March 2018 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	As at 31 March 2019 £
Inspired People					
Project	92,969	-	(57,605)	-	35,364
Airport Fund	-	1,853	-	-	1,853
Festival of Ageing Hate crime	-	250	-	-	250
awareness Urban Villages	-	400	-	-	400
	-	16,882	(1,893)	-	14,989
SSE		2,000			2,000
	92,969	21,385	(59,498)	-	54,856

Approved by the trustees on 19th December 2019 and signed on their behalf by:

Mr Edward Cox