

Charity registration number: 1027205

Latin American Disabled People's Project

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Reference and Administrative Details

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The Trustees confirm that the Trustee Report and financial statement of the charity comply with current statutory requirements, the requirement of its trust deed and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005.

STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

Governing Instrument

Latin American Disabled People's Project is a registered charity governed by its constitution. Charity number: **1027205**.

The organisation is an unincorporated charity, registered on 15 October 1993. The charity was established under a constitution dated 12 April 1992 as amended 25 April 1993 as amended February 2006 and March 2011.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Members of the Association who are present at the Annual General Meeting will vote from nomination forms for the election of officers, members of the Management Committee and any other officer of the Association. A minimum of eight and a maximum of twelve members of the Association are elected at the Annual General Meeting. 50% of the Management Committee members should be disabled members of the Association. Up to three associate members of the Association (individual or the representative of another organisation) can be co-opted by decision of the Management Committee; these co-opted members should not have voting rights. If necessary, a disabled member of the Management Committee may use the services of a duly registered advocate to facilitate participation. However, the advocate should not be a member of the Management Committee and should not exercise any discretion of power on behalf of disabled people.

The LADPP Management Committee members are from Spanish and Portuguese-speaking backgrounds and are very well acquainted with the community they serve. The Committee includes service users with first-hand experience of the issues affecting Spanish and Portuguese speakers with disabilities and their communities.

The Committee meets every month and has a review annually.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

The Committee members during the year ending on 31 March 2025 were:

Chair: Maria Brumilde Hermosa Nunez.

Vice Chair: Lucia Cruz Alcantara.

Treasurer: Margui Puentes Calderon.

Secretary: Elizabeth Santa Cruz Molina

Other Members: Antonio Higueeros Sanchez, Martha Isabel Torrez Castellano, Delia Maria Bonilla Moreno, Patricia Aguirre Cuervo, and co-opted member Richard Kaloko,

The members of the Board of Trustees of the Charity elected on 26-April-2024 on the date that the report and accounts were approved are listed on page 1.

Additional Consultancy and Support provided by: Consultant Team Advice UK, Capacity building Training team from Community Southwark.

Chief executive: Jhon Jairo Marulanda Garzon –Community Development and LASPP Project Director

Management Structure, Recruitment and Training

The governing body is responsible for policy and overall management. The board has set up three sub-committees with defined responsibilities from the main committee:

* Finance

* Human Resources

* Social and Cultural Activities

Through this financial year 24-25 LADPP has seven paid members of staff: a part-time **Community Development & LADPP Project Director** responsible for the office coordination of all services provided by LADPP, fundraising and supervision of staff; and a **Community Support & Representation Worker CYFP & DDPO** responsible for delivering the community support project, health, advice and representation, and community integration activities to all members, Children, Youth and Families and Deaf & Disabled users and their communities. **Community Integration, Skills for Work & Welfare Advice Worker**, offering services to users regarding employment and welfare advice, English, one-to-one language support, and IT classes, employment workshop and training. **Wellbeing, Mental health & Volunteer Services Worker**, aims to improve the quality of life and mental health support to users through alternative therapies, one to one support and community support groups, befriending services, networking, and access to health services as well as being responsible for the volunteer program for the organisation.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Welfare representation advice and Income maximisation for Lewisham Residents, who is responsible for delivering welfare benefits representation and income maximisation. In partnership with Lewisham Food Bank for the Spanish and Portuguese community resident in the borough of Lewisham. **Community IT, Social Media & Digital Support Worker**, responsible for keeping up to date the organisation IT, social Media and Digital Services as well as offering staff, volunteer and members/users training and support. Since January 2025 we started delivery then **Woman Urgen Support Project** n aims to help womens to become financily oindependent, helping them to access the support they need, giving training and worshop delivering English and employment workshops, as well as delivering housing advice to aboid homelessness

We continue delivering in Volunteer basis the following projects and services: **Community Housing and Homelessness Worker**, delivering housing & Homelessness advice, case work, since June 2024 the project has been delivered in a volunteer basis supervise by the senior advice worker. **Community Food Bank Support servicessupporting families through the impact of COVID-19 pandemic and high "Cost of Living" affecting the community, and the society world wild.**

Case Court Appeal Work and Representationto users and their communities on a volunteer basis supported by the Community Development and LADPP Project Director and two volunteers.

The organisation also had the support of a team of 65 volunteers who provide services such as interpreting and translation, IT classes, social media and digital services, reception, advice, administrative support, user development and volunteer services, organising placements, social and cultural activities, bookkeeping and accounts. All volunteers who work with children and vulnerable adults are subject to DBS checks carried out by UKCrbs.

LADPP works with local volunteer organisations and takes part in volunteer fairs to attract further volunteers. We also recruit staff through our website, public websites, social media platforms, Facebook, twitter and through the local volunteer organisation and Latin American press. We ensure that potential members are referred to us through close links with Government offices, NGOs and other Latin American organisations.

Staff and volunteers are trained on-site by their supervisors and peers. Training in specific subject areas and skills is offered through local and national organisations such as Community Southwark, HMRC support services, ACAS, Disability Right UK, Refugee Council, Child Poverty Action Group, and Advice UK. We also collaborate with Southwark Law Centre, the Portuguese Community Centre, and foodbank all around London through referrals and/or joint workshops. Training is also provided through partnerships with Shelter London, Including London, Evelyn Oldfield Unit, Southwark Council, Southwark NHS services, Community Southwark, and other local voluntary organisations. LADPP is a member of SLAN Southwark Latin American Network and Southwark Disability Network.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Induction and Training of Trustees

The Management Committee had undertaken the following training:

- Roles and Responsibilities of MC members.
- Employment Law update.
- Well-being and Mental health at work
- Welfare and Universal Credit Workshop.
- Disability welfare
- Planning an organisation financial budget.
- English & IT classes.
- Fundraising
- Debt and Income maximisation

Relationship between Funders and Committee Members

There is no known relationship between any funders and any member of our Management Committee.

Charity Aims

"LADPP aims to improve the quality of life, independence and community integration of disabled and non-disabled Spanish and Portuguese speaking people, their carers, families, and communities living in London through information, training, advice, representation, interpreting, advocacy, social and cultural events, and user development and volunteering opportunities.

Our services are based on equal opportunities, confidentiality, empathy, and a non-judgemental approach towards our users".

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set. We therefore have a formal complaints policy whereby all complaints regarding the staff/volunteers/service are reviewed by the Chief Executive and a trustee.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

How our activities deliver public benefit

The charity carries out a wide range of activities in pursuance of its charitable aims. The trustees consider that these activities, summarised below, provide benefit both to those who use our services and to the wider community in London, responding to the needs during COVID-19 pandemic and “Cost of Living” in the community. These benefits disabled and non-disabled people and those suffering from chronic illnesses by developing their self-confidence, well-being, mental health, language support, IT and social media, skill4work, welfare, appeal representation, volunteer opportunities, community integration and social skills as well as helping them to access services according to their needs and disabilities. We are also supporting and helping the Spanish and Portuguese community to integrate into this society.

Activities ending March 2025.

Key activities in 2024-25 included:

During this financial year, with the valuable support of our funders, LADPP has continued to maintain and expand its services to meet the evolving needs of our community, particularly in response to the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the increasing cost of living.

We introduced new methods of service delivery, with staff and volunteers adopting a hybrid working model—operating both remotely and from the office. This approach enabled us to maintain close contact with service users and respond more effectively to their needs.

The organisation also made significant progress in updating its internal IT infrastructure. We implemented *AdvicePro*, a case management system that allows us to securely and systematically record all advice work delivered. Additionally, we expanded our use of *Microsoft 365*, which enhanced our ability to communicate both internally and externally through Microsoft Teams, Zoom, and other digital platforms—ensuring that we could continue to meet the high demand for our services.

We also resumed in-person engagement by inviting users back to our offices to participate in our social and cultural activities. Through the implementation of workshops and training sessions, we have increased social contact with users and strengthened ties with their communities.

Furthermore, we continued to expand our digital services and presence on social media, allowing us to develop innovative ways of delivering services and projects. Communication channels were also broadened through the use of WhatsApp, telephone support, Skype, and other applications. These tools have been instrumental in delivering the following projects and services:

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Trustees' Report (continued)

***Community Support & Integration of Deaf and Disabled people (DDPO) Project**

From January 2024 to March 2025, we delivered 587 drop in sessions and 346 appointments

We delivered 90 training sessions where 150 attended and 24 workshops where 226 users attended.

1309 users benefit from the project.

***Community Skills for Work & Welfare Worker**

This financial year 938 users were advised remotely, 456 users were advised face-to-face and we delivered 9 workshops and training in different welfare and skill for work subjects where 98 users attended.

1492 users benefited from the project.

***Wellbeing, Mental health & Volunteer Services Worker**

From April 2024 to March 2025

39 Zumba classes for people with reduced mobility. 95 participants.

13 Social activities such as bingo and coffee afternoons have had an average of 455 participants.

49 Our volunteer therapist from Nuestro Oído Amigo has provided support through 5-7 sessions per person, totalling an average of 294 sessions.

42 A total of knitting classes have been held throughout the year, with an average of 150 participants.

43 This year, we have held Chair Yoga and Yoga classes with an average attendance of 72 participants.

47 Throughout the year, we have also offered Fabric Painting classes, reaching an average of 250 participants.

38 The Social Integration Group, which includes coffee afternoons, has welcomed an average of 105 participants.

51 Wellbeing and Mental Health workshops have been delivered both in person and through social platforms like Zoom, reaching an average of 450 participants.

95 The Wellbeing and Mental Health therapeutic crafts group focused on staying connected and feeling safe, with an average of 420 participants.

19 Wellbeing consultations provided support to clients in accessing healthcare services and related social assistance, benefiting an average of 190 people.

45 Online English classes, supported by our wonderful volunteer teacher Samuel, have reached an average of 150 participants.

2631 users benefited directly from the project and 250 indirectly from services

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Trustees' Report (continued)

***Welfare representation advice and Income maximisation Lewisham Residents**

Lewisham is a vibrant London borough with one of the highest concentration of Latin American's in London as stated by the Latin American Bureau.

This financial year a sum of **£137,253.47** was made in either financial support this includes savings through council tax reductions, receiving universal credit and other financial benefitst.

The project is delivered to three food bank sites: Lewisham, Forest Hill & Perry Rise, and an

Overall 754 vouchers have been distributed. The fulfilled vouchers have aided 2923 people, of which 1639 are adults and 1284 are children.

2923 user benefited directly from project services and foodbank support.

***IT, Social Media and Digital Project**to help and support the organisation development of new IT systems for staff, volunteers and the community that will allow the delivery and access to services and project. This project is designed to respond to the specific needs of our community, promoting its autonomy, integration and well-being. Through our activities, we seek to build a more connected, informed and resilient community.

We Offer: computer and social media classes twice a week, covering platforms such as Zoom, WhatsApp, and Facebook.

- Provide training on cybersecurity and data protection to help users navigate online safely
- Support users in applying their new skills by organising support groups and online workshops on various topics.
- Help participants develop digital confidence to communicate with family, friends, and service providers.
- Enable participants to engage in virtual activities and support networks, reducing loneliness and improving mental well-being.

We delivered 80 classes where 400 user benefited as well as 300 users benefited by technical support sessions.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

700 user benefited directly from the project and around 500 indirectly benefited from the project and services.

***Community Housing Advice and representation**

This project come to an end in July 2024, and we have applied to funders to consider to extend the project due to the excellent impact it's have in helping the community with their housing issues that has increase due to COVID-19 Pandemic. And the high "Cost of Living that are leading user in risk of become homelessness. In the last year of the project 295 user had face to face appointments and 210 user by phone; we delivered 4 workshop in housing and prevention of homelessness and dealing with local authorities and private landlords and 110 user benefited.

615 user benefit directly from the project and 180 users benefit indirectly as being a care of family member of members/users

***The Women Urgent Support Project** aims to help women become financially independent by providing access to the support they need. The project offers training and workshops, including English and employment workshops, and provides housing advice to help prevent homelessness. From January to June 2025, the Women's Urgent Support Project (WUSP) at LADPP provided vital support to **390 Spanish and Portuguese-speaking women** and their families facing financial hardship.

***Food Bank Referral services:** From April 2024 and March 2025 We help to deliver **389 food parcels from the food Banks; during this year 1167 user benefited from this services**

***Social and Cultural Activities**

This year we started delivering social and cultural activities bringing users and the community to fundraising events, workshops and training, implementing one to one support services to users and using digital services and social media through telephone consultation and Zoom meeting to users keeping them well informed about any progress in the provision of health treatment and access to vaccination programmes delivered by the NHS and government services.

*** Training**

We continued to offer language support services delivering English and IT classes to our users and their families. In partnership with another internal project and the volunteer project we had:

105 classes have been delivery; through this time student had attended. 2415

-We also provided in-house training in health & Safety at Work, housing, Tax Credit, Self-employment, health, and social welfare, It and digital services and social media where 340 users attended by ZOOM and social media apps

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Trustees' Report (continued)

2755 users benefited from these services.

We also booked training courses for staff, Management Committee and volunteers with organisations such as Advice UK, EOU, CPAG and Community Southwark, Directory of Social Change and Institute of Fundraising, Citizen Advice Forum and Disability Rights delivered by ZOOM and Skype and social media.

* Interpreting

LADPP continued to offer an interpreting service for users who are unable to access the statutory services they approach. This enables our members to overcome language and disability barriers in situations such as important medical appointments and interviews with statutory agencies. This service is provided by a group of volunteers and **125 users have benefited from this services**

* Referrals

LADPP receives referrals, sign posted from various government offices and other non-governmental organisations. We also refer our clients to various departments and statutory bodies such as Social Services and other specialised advice agencies such as the Citizens' Advice Bureau. We also work closely with Shelter London. Regular contact is also made with other Latin American Organisations. Throughout these difficult times due to the pandemic, we are committed to provide the best services available to our service users, which will, in turn, benefit the wider Spanish and Portuguese speaking community.

35 internal referral services and 8 external referral services where made.

* Partnerships

- We continued our partnerships with the Lambeth Refugee Health Team and with the Lambeth Southwark Lewisham NHS-PCT and Naz Latina Project.

-Volunteer networking with Foundation for International Studies and local colleges and secondary schools and Community Southwark volunteer services.

- We continued our referral housing surgery with Shelter London.

- We continue in Partnership with local foodbanks, including providing referrals for users who are in immediate need of basic resources and providing interpretation services for the foodbanks. We hold referral vouchers for Norwood & Brixton and Peckham and Waterloo foodbanks, and we are members of the pilot online system so we can refer users to any foodbank in the UK.

-We continue taken part in the Southwark Latin American Network and take part Southwark Disability Network.

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Membership

LADPP is a member-led organisation. Our members come from Latin America, Spain and Portugal and Africa. We are now expanding our membership to non-disabled people from the Spanish and Portuguese speaking community living in London.

- * Most of our members are refugees, with Indefinite Leave to Remain, British Citizenship and EU citizenship.
- * Many are elderly.
- * Many live in households in receipt of means-tested benefits.
- * Most have not acquired basic knowledge of the English language.

Many have one or more of the following:

- * Long Covid-19 health Impact.
- * Learning impairment.
- * Physical disability.
- * Mental health problem.
- * Sensory disability.
- * Chronic illness.
- * Terminal illness.

This year the organisation has renewed his basic insurance and keep up-date with the membership to organisation offering capacity building and networking of services support that will allow us to continue a professional service for the community.

The project has a total of 1790 registered members-users, and for this financial year 14650 users members of the community benefited from our services through this year.

We hold the accreditation from the **Advice Quality Standard -AQS-** for the Advice and Representation services with Case Work in Housing, Disability and welfare.

Plans for the Year: April 2025 – March 2026

Service Delivery

With the continued support of funders, local authorities, staff, volunteers, and the wider community, LADPP remains committed to mitigating the long-term impacts of the global COVID-19 pandemic and the ongoing cost-of-living crisis on our beneficiaries.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

We will maintain a hybrid model of service delivery, ensuring advice services—including welfare, housing, disability, and employment support—are accessible through both one-to-one appointments and remote consultations. Contact will be sustained via phone, email, social media, and our website, allowing us to reach users effectively in their homes and within the community.

We will continue to work closely with local authorities, including Southwark Council, through the Common Purpose Grant, to sustain the key projects currently delivered by the organisation.

To enhance service delivery and sustainability, we are launching a new fundraising campaign using social media and digital platforms. This initiative aims to secure funding for essential IT and communication equipment and to support the operational costs of our new office premises.

Partnerships

We plan to strengthen our collaborative networks by engaging with local and London-wide forums and umbrella organisations. These partnerships will ensure the specific needs of Latin American disabled people and those from minority ethnic backgrounds are represented in broader policy and service development agendas.

Consultation and User Involvement

We are committed to increasing service user involvement in shaping the services they receive. Building on our consultation processes, we aim to develop user-led services that reflect the lived experiences and needs of our community. Service users will have more opportunities to participate in the planning, delivery, management, and evaluation of projects, contributing to a more inclusive and representative organisation.

We will continue working to reduce social exclusion and discrimination by ensuring equal access to services and by promoting greater community integration, ultimately enhancing users' quality of life.

Support Group

Our support group for isolated users and those facing mental health challenges will continue to be a priority. The group will provide a safe, neutral space where participants can meet regularly to share concerns and experiences. It will also allow members to co-design and lead events and activities, fostering empowerment and community connection.

Digital Access and Communication

We will continue promoting LADPP's services to reach new potential beneficiaries through our website and social media platforms. Users can access information and support via our dedicated advice email (ladppadvice@ladpp.org.uk) and our official website (www.ladpp.org.uk). We will also utilise platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, WhatsApp, Instagram, YouTube, Skype, Zoom, and Google Drive to ensure ongoing connectivity and service accessibility.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Community Office Hub – Elephant and Castle

Since May 2021, LADPP has been implementing an Office Administration and Community Assistance Project, aimed at establishing a dedicated “Office Hub” for the Latin American community in the Elephant and Castle area. The office functions as a central access point for information, community support, training sessions, and workshops. We will continue working with the Management Committee and Office Director to make this hub a welcoming, inclusive, and functional space.

Income Generation and Financial Sustainability

In light of financial pressures affecting the voluntary and community sector, we will prioritise efforts to ensure the charity's sustainability. This includes developing new income streams through public donations, fundraising activities, and digital campaigns using platforms such as Zoom, Skype, and WhatsApp. These initiatives are vital for supporting core costs and maintaining our service offer throughout ongoing economic challenges.

Social and Cultural Activities

Recognising the importance of social and cultural initiatives to community wellbeing, we will continue to deliver these activities in accordance with current public health and government guidance. Outdoor gatherings will be organised for up to 30 participants where possible, while digital platforms such as Zoom, Skype, and WhatsApp will also be used to engage the community, combat isolation, and support our fundraising efforts.

Transactions & Financial Position:

The statement of financial activities shows income for the year of £131,622 with expenditure of £140,977. At the end of this year, we carried forward unrestricted funds of £17,317 and £5,459 of restricted funds.

Reserves Policy:

We aim to keep a reserve of at least £6,000 as contingency for emergencies and unexpected expenditure. At the year-end we had £35,392.

Risk Assessment:

The management committee has taken various steps to reduce risks to which the organisation is exposed:

The survival and expansion of the organisation is reliant on obtaining external funding through this difficult time. We are conscious that access to funds is increasingly competitive. We continue to work to secure funding, investigating new sources of funding and to continue implementing and developing the LADPP long-term funding strategy. For the last 10 years we have been developing our own fundraising activities which have allowed the organisation to cover basic financial expenses but we still require the support from funders towards the support of the main community projects and services and running cost of the new office space.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Our premises are insured and insurers have confirmed through assessments that they are secure.

A Management of Aggression and Violence policy has been established with the aim of reducing the risk of staff exposure to violent situations and increasing their security in potentially dangerous situations.

Fixed Assets:

LADPP has office equipment and furniture valued and insured at £20,000.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

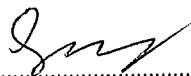
Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs and of the profit and loss of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements the trustees are required to:

- * Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- * Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- * Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- * Providing a safe working space and environment for staff, volunteers, uses and the community.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with SORP issued by the Charities Commission.

The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 18/12/25 and signed on its behalf by:



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Lucia Cruz-Alcantra
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Latin American Disabled People's Project

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this 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 work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Latin American Disabled People's Project 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 Latin American Disabled People's Project's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

Independent examiner's statement

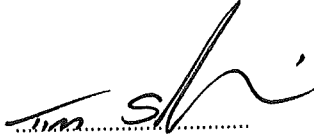
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Latin American Disabled People's Project as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Latin American Disabled People's Project
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Date: 30/9/25.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	3	50,400	63,075	113,475	34,733	88,659	123,392
Investment income	4	147	-	147	195	-	195
Other income	5	18,000	-	18,000	9,182	-	9,182
Total income		68,547	63,075	131,622	44,110	88,659	132,769
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds		-	-	-	(350)	-	(350)
Charitable activities	6	(53,519)	(87,458)	(140,977)	(48,727)	(86,466)	(135,193)
Total expenditure		(53,519)	(87,458)	(140,977)	(49,077)	(86,466)	(135,543)
Net income/(expenditure)		15,028	(24,383)	(9,355)	(4,967)	2,193	(2,774)
Gross transfers between funds		(7,570)	7,570	-	4,250	(4,250)	-
Net movement in funds		7,458	(16,813)	(9,355)	(717)	(2,057)	(2,774)
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		9,859	22,272	32,131	10,576	24,329	34,905
Total funds carried forward	19	17,317	5,459	22,776	9,859	22,272	32,131

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2024 is shown in note 19.

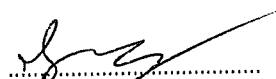
The notes on pages 19 to 30 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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(Registration number: 1027205)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	13	1,250	1,871
Current assets			
Debtors	14	7,267	5,938
Cash at bank and in hand	15	<u>20,508</u>	<u>34,016</u>
		27,775	39,954
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	16	<u>(6,249)</u>	<u>(9,694)</u>
Net current assets		<u>21,526</u>	<u>30,260</u>
Net assets		<u>22,776</u>	<u>32,131</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds		5,459	22,272
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>17,317</u>	<u>9,859</u>
Total funds	19	<u>22,776</u>	<u>32,131</u>

The financial statements on pages 17 to 30 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 18/04/25... and signed on their behalf by:



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Lucia Cruz-Alcantra
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 Charity status

The charity is domiciled in England and Wales.

The address of its registered office is:
102 Harper Road
SE1 6AQ

2 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Second edition October 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). They also comply with the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Latin American Disabled People's Project meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

There are general concerns in the charity sector regarding the financial impact that the charity sector is passing though due to the lack of financial support from local authorities central government, trust and foundation in addition to the high cost of living affection us all leaving the charity sector in a very weak financial situation and is a challenge for us to overcome this finding the way to gain the necessary financial support we need to continue delivering services for the community.

Even with all the financial pressure we have there is not any risk of the organisation closure at least for the next two years as they aim to gain new funding to support the project.

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Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the periods in which the estimate is revised where revisions affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revisions affects both current and future periods.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Investment income

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, the management of investments and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

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Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Grant provisions

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty about either the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Office equipment	25% straight line

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

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Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

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3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;				
Appeals and donations	9,693	-	9,693	8,413
Grants, including capital grants;				
City Bridge Trust	-	42,700	42,700	25,720
Trust for London	-	-	-	23,650
Llyods Bank Foundation	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
Southwark Council	-	20,375	20,375	22,610
Big Lottery - Awards for All	-	-	-	10,000
Home Office	-	-	-	3,999
The Greater London Authority	-	-	-	4,000
Small Wood Trust	10,000	-	10,000	-
Columbian Consultant	5,707	-	5,707	-
	<u>50,400</u>	<u>63,075</u>	<u>113,475</u>	<u>123,392</u>

4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	147	147	195
	<u>147</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>195</u>

5 Other income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Transform Network	18,000	18,000	9,182
	<u>18,000</u>	<u>18,000</u>	<u>9,182</u>

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6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Note	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Materials		5,244	1,040
Events		9,995	1,438
Volunteer expenses		2,945	3,739
Depreciation of office equipment		823	1,952
Grant funding of activities		-	4,000
Staff costs	9	96,971	96,409
Support costs	7	24,999	26,615
		<u>140,977</u>	<u>135,193</u>

7 Analysis of support costs

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Sundries	114	380
Repairs and maintenance	-	510
Staff training	450	458
Rent and rates	5,358	5,641
Light, heat and power	3,640	3,415
Insurance	1,833	2,234
Telephone and fax	739	1,283
Office expenses	2,848	4,541
Computer software and maintenance	-	1,302
Subscriptions	1,473	3,176
Travel and subsistence	5,439	1,365
Independent examination	2,316	2,310
Legal and professional	789	-
	<u>24,999</u>	<u>26,615</u>

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8 Grant-making

Analysis of grants

	Grants to institutions 2024 £
Analysis	
Networking Latin Hub	<u>4,000</u>

LADPP received £4,000 on behalf of the Latin Hub as they didn't have a bank account at point of payment. This was then repaid back to the Latin Hub.

9 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	94,527	94,010
Social security costs	601	560
Pension costs	<u>1,843</u>	<u>1,839</u>
	<u>96,971</u>	<u>96,409</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2025 No	2024 No
Support and advice services	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>

(2024 - 7) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

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10 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

11 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

12 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2024	11,366	11,366
Additions	203	203
At 31 March 2025	<u>11,569</u>	<u>11,569</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2024	9,495	9,495
Charge for the year	824	824
At 31 March 2025	<u>10,319</u>	<u>10,319</u>
Net book value		
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,250</u>	<u>1,250</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,871</u>	<u>1,871</u>

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14 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Prepayments	1,148	538
Accrued income	5,400	5,400
Other debtors	719	-
	<u>7,267</u>	<u>5,938</u>

15 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash on hand	350	-
Cash at bank	20,158	34,016
	<u>20,508</u>	<u>34,016</u>

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other creditors	3,933	7,384
Accruals	2,316	2,310
	<u>6,249</u>	<u>9,694</u>

17 Obligations under leases and hire purchase contracts

Operating lease commitments

Total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Land and buildings		
Within one year	6,500	6,500
Between one and five years	26,000	26,000
After five years	6,500	13,000
	<u>39,000</u>	<u>45,500</u>

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	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Prior year					
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General Funds	10,576	44,110	(49,077)	4,250	9,859
Restricted funds					
Southwark Council	5,395	22,610	(28,005)	-	-
City Bridge Trust	33	24,400	(25,510)	1,077	-
Big Lottery - Awards for All	14,319	10,000	(12,088)	-	12,231
Home Office	4,582	3,999	(3,122)	-	5,459
Trust for London	-	23,650	(13,741)	(5,327)	4,582
	<u>24,329</u>	<u>84,659</u>	<u>(82,466)</u>	<u>(4,250)</u>	<u>22,272</u>
Total funds	<u>34,905</u>	<u>128,769</u>	<u>(131,543)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,131</u>

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Southwark Council - to cover the costs of the Community Support and Integration worker, 'LADPP Covid19 Support and Income Maximisation Project' and Phase 2 of the EU settlement scheme applications.

London Community Foundation - to cover the post of the Family, Children and Youth Project coordinator.

City Bridge Trust - towards the salary of a part time Wellbeing for All project worker and project expenses.

United St Saviours - for a Christmas celebration for the elder and vulnerable.

Big Lottery - Awards for All - for 'LADPP Community Support and Integration' project.

The CLAUK - to cover the cost of casework advice on welfare, employment and/or employability advice.

Transform Network - to cover the costs of the 'Welfare & Income Maximisation Project' worker.

Home Office - to deliver practical support to vulnerable EU, EEA and Swiss citizens to help them make their EU Settlement Scheme application by 30 June 2021.

Trust for London - towards the salary and on-costs of the Community Welfare & Housing Advice and Representation worker.

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Unspent unrestricted funds of £7,570 was transferred to cover the additional costs incurred in Southwark Council (£7,218) and Trust for London (£352).

20 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 March 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	1,250	-	1,250
Current assets	22,316	5,459	27,775
Current liabilities	(6,249)	-	(6,249)
Total net assets	17,317	5,459	22,776
	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 March 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	1,871	-	1,871
Current assets	17,682	22,272	39,954
Current liabilities	(9,694)	-	(9,694)
Total net assets	9,859	22,272	32,131