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Charity Number: 1050342

Hibiscus Caribbean Elderly Association
Directors' Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended
31 March 2023

Augustus & Co
Chartered Certified Accountants

Hibiscus Caribbean Elderly Association

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Legal and Administrative Details

Directors	Mrs Mary Richards Mr Clifford A Headley Mrs Lynette Diana Carr - Armstrong
Secretary	Clifford A Headley
Company Number	03100194
Charity Number	1050342
Bankers	Nat West Bank Plc 386 Barking Road London E13 8JB
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Registered Office & Business Address	Hibiscus Community Centre Buckingham Road Stratford London E15 1SP

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Directors' Report

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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) (effective 1 January 2015).

Principal Activity

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up on 8 September 1995 and registered as a charity on 8 September 1995. It is governed by a memorandum and articles of association.

The principal activities of the company are to relieve:

1. The aged and unemployed in particular those of Caribbean and African origin in East London by the provision of facilities for recreation or leisure time occupation with the object of improving their conditions of life.
2. Poverty amongst retired persons, in particular those of Caribbean and African origin in East London.
3. To provide support, assistance and care to elderly African and Caribbean men and women.

Results

The financial position of the charity at the end of the financial year is as detailed in the attached financial statements. Income for the year was £52,981.

Review of Activities During the Year

The period under review was particularly challenging as the impact of the lockdown coupled with rising cost and the debt generated by the legal challenge to Newham Council's efforts to remove the Associations premises licence.

Adjustments to the services, specifically entertainment services had to be made to accommodate the restrictions on the Premises Licence imposed by the Court. Operating hours were scaled back and the overall cost of delivering entertainment service increased.

Day Centre Services have yet to recover: the number of clients attending on a regular basis have not risen above five. Here it must be noted that referrals from the Council have virtually stopped, with only one client being referred during this period.

Resident organisations alongside renting the facility have been the main source of income.

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Delivering digital services in the areas of art, Hibiscus Virtual Gallery, and leisure and recreation, BRUKOUT the streaming of live musical performances was successfully continued throughout this period. Hibiscus's Youtube Channel "Hibiscus Community Centre" continues to attract interest and the target of achieving five-hundred Subscribers was achieved and surpassed. Hibiscus Live Community Radio has been fully established; and the groundwork of coordinating content across Youtube Instagram, Hibiscus's website and other digital platforms, with a view to monetising the content on these platforms.

Networking within and across the cultural sectors continues to be an important activity in maintain both profile and relevance. The partnerships with Sadlers Wells, Drumbeat, Soca Massive, and the Dub Exposure Band were especially productive in delivering additional resources, skills, experience and opportunity for Members and volunteers to draw on. A new partnership assisting with the distribution of FREE VITAMIN D tablets was established with Newham Public Health.

Members and Friends continue to be a source of strength and support; here however it must be noted that formal Membership has fallen and will require sterling work to restore it.

Future Plans

In looking to the future our priority will be in securing a long term lease for our premises from Newham Council. Serious efforts will be made to upgrade services across the board by utilising the instruments of new technology. A website and online media platforms will be established with a view to raising the profile of the organisation whilst marketing its services

Volunteers

Volunteers continue to be the backbone of the service. Day Care delivered on Tuesday and Thursday between the hours of 10.00am -3.30pm continue to be popular with a healthy attendance. Attendees participate in a range of activities which encourage physical and mental wellbeing, and help to promote the individuals independence and self esteem. The luncheon Club continues to provide culturally appropriate meals.

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Directors

The following served as directors during the year covered by these accounts:

Mrs Mary Richards
Mrs Lynette Diana Carr - Armstrong
Mr Clifford A Headley

The directors at the time the financial statements were approved are as follows:

Mrs Mary Richards
Mr Clifford A Headley
Mrs Lynette Diana Carr - Armstrong

Directors' Responsibilities

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the Financial Statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue to provide services.

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

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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Reserves Policy

The directors will endeavour to maintain free reserves sufficient to cover at least three months' running expenses. At 31 March 2023, the unrestricted reserve was a deficit of £20,747. We are actively seeking to raise more funds to increase the amount of free reserves.

Decision Making

The directors meet about once every 2 months to review the progress of the charity and to make any decisions that are needed to keep the organisation in pursuit of its objectives.

Directors Selection Method

The directors are elected at the Annual General Meeting to serve for a term of one year.

Risk Review

The directors are undertaking a complete risk assessment of all activities of the company.

Accountants

The directors propose to re appoint the current accountants Augustus & Co and a resolution proposing the appointment will be put to the annual general meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

This report was approved by the board on 29 September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



**Mr Clifford Headley
(Director)**

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Hibiscus Caribbean Elderly Association

I report to the trustees (who are also Directors for the purpose of company law) on my examination of the financial statements of Hibiscus Caribbean Elderly Association ('the charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2023 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 trustees of charitable company you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charitable company's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('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 2011 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

If the charitable company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. Your income for the year was below this amount. I confirm I am a member of ACCA which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charitable company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

A A Boafu – Brewu FCCA MBA

Augustus & Co

Dated: 30 September 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Income & Expenditure Accounts)
Year ended 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Income					
Donations and legacies					
Donations		18,419		18,419	
Income from charitable activities					
Voluntary income	3.1	2,400		2,400	34,224
Other income	3.2	32,162		32,162	17,689
Total Income		<u>52,981</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>52,981</u>	<u>51,913</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable Activities	4	48,314		48,314	68,875
Fundraising costs	6			0	0
Total Expenditure		<u>48,314</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>48,314</u>	<u>68,875</u>
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year		4,667	0	4,667	-16,962
Reconciliation of funds					
Total Funds Brought Forward at 01/04/2022		-25,414	0	-25,414	-8,452
Total Funds Carried Forward at 31/03/2023		<u>-20,747</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-20,747</u>	<u>-25,414</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet
At 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	8	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors	9	0	0
Cash at Bank and in Hand		<u>906</u>	<u>5,853</u>
		<u>906</u>	<u>5,853</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>16,315</u>	<u>23,586</u>
		<u>16,315</u>	<u>23,586</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>-15,409</u>	<u>-17,733</u>
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		<u>-15,409</u>	<u>-17,733</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due over one year		5,338	7,681
Net Assets		<u><u>-20,747</u></u>	<u><u>-25,414</u></u>
Represented By:			
Restricted Funds	11		
Unrestricted Funds	12	<u>-20,747</u>	<u>-25,414</u>
		<u>-20,747</u>	<u>-25,414</u>

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

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

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP

This financial statements were approved by the board on 29 September 2024 and signed on its behalf by



Mr Clifford Headley
 Director

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting Convention

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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2 Incoming Resources

Revenue grants are the amounts due for the year whether or not actually received in the year.

Donations and other incoming resources are the actual amounts received in the year.

1.3 Depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value of each asset over the expected useful life as follows:

Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment	- 20% on cost
Plant & Machinery	- 20% on cost
Motor Vehicle	- 20% on cost

Items of expenditure are capitalised when purchase price exceeds £300.

1.4 Restricted Funds

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets this criteria is charged to the fund.

1.5 Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purposes and are available as general funds.

2. Directors

The directors do not receive any remuneration for their services and are not reimbursed for their expenses.

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3 Income from charitable activities

3.1 Voluntary income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	2023	2022
			£	£
Day Care Contract Services	2,400		2,400	34,224
Subco Trust - Reaching Communities Project			-	0
Aspers Casino			-	0
Voice4Change	0		-	
	<u>2,400</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,400</u>	<u>34,224</u>

3.2 Others

Donations			-	
HMRC JRS Grant			-	4,816
Hall and mini bus hire	27,774		27,774	12,551
Fund Raising	4,388		4,388	322
	<u>32,162</u>		<u>32,162</u>	<u>17,689</u>

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4. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	2023	2022
			£	£
Bad debts			0	13,490
Staff salaries	4,800	0	4,800	9,276
Advertising			0	300
Rent Payable	3,000		3,000	3,000
Rates			0	369
Insurance	352		352	239
Light & Heat	2,252		2,252	2,525
Cleaning	453		453	8,304
Computer running expenses	2,399		2,399	7,031
Repairs and Renewals	6,200		6,200	10,909
Cultural Activities	4,966		4,966	6,056
Printing, Postage and Stationery	4,293		4,293	588
Luncheon Club	5,206		5,206	2,136
Telephone	1,302		1,302	1,019
Motor Expenses			0	140
Staff Volunteers' Expenses			0	420
General Expenses	210		210	576
Governance costs (per note 5)	8,399		8,399	2,097
Travelling expenses	782		782	400
Other Running Expenses	3,700		3,700	
	<u>48,314</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>48,314</u>	<u>68,875</u>

5. Governance Costs

Independent Examiner's Fees	720		720	720
Legal & professional fees	7,430		7,430	1080
Bank Charges	249		249	297
	<u>8,399</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,399</u>	<u>2,097</u>

6. Fundraising Costs

Fundraiser	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total expenditure	<u>48,314</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>48,314</u>	<u>68,875</u>

Of the £68,875 expenditure in 2022, £68,875 was charged to unrestricted funds and none to restricted funds.

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7. Staff Costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Salaries	4,800	8,146
Employer's National Insurance	0	0
	<u>4,800</u>	<u>8,146</u>
No employee earned in excess of £60,000		
The average number of employees was	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

The trustees are considered as key management personnel but none of them receives a salary.

8. Fixed Assets

	Furniture Fixtures & Equipment £	Motor Vehicle £	Plant & Machinery £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2022	29,014	36,873	5,041	70,928
Addition in the year				0
At 31 March 2023	<u>29,014</u>	<u>36,873</u>	<u>5,041</u>	<u>70,928</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2022	29,014	36,873	5,041	70,661
Charge for the year				0
31 March 2023	<u>29,014</u>	<u>36,873</u>	<u>5,041</u>	<u>70,661</u>
Net Book Value				
At 31 March 2023	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

9. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade Debtors	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

10. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Paye & NI	3952	3472
Directors'		8771
Accruals	10,020	9,000
Bank Loan	2,343	2,343
	<u>16,315</u>	<u>23,586</u>

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11. Restricted Funds

	Balance	Movement in Resources			Balance
	at 1 April 2022	Incoming Capital	Incoming Revenue	Outgoing Capital	at 31 March 2023
	£	£		£	£
Day Care Contract Services			0		0
	0	0	0	0	0

Restricted funds represent grants received from funders for specific activities. Any balance at the year end is committed and will be used for the same activity in the following year.

12. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total £
Current assets		-15,409	-15,409
Amounts falling due over one year		-5,338	-5,338
Fixed assets		0	0
	0	-20,747	-20,747