Trustees Report 2025

The German Christian Association (London) Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Registered Charity No.1187036)

The German Christian Association (London) Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the Charity) was registered with the Charity Commission on the 18th of December 2019 with the Charity Number 1187036.

The Charity is dependent on its associated charity, the German YMCA in London (Charity Number 250118), being able to implement its restructuring plans, as these would provide the Charity with the means to fulfil the roles foreseen for it in its foundation.

The German YMCA plans were stopped in their tracks by the pandemic, which forced our sister charity to devote all its efforts to surviving the severe threat posed to its existence by the impact of covid on the surpluses of its hotel trading company. These had historically been the lifeblood which sustained the charitable work of the Association.

The German YMCA eventually emerged from this challenge and, with its finances restored, as reported in outline last year, had embarked on a revised and simplified reconstruction plan which necessitated the revision and updating of its Articles of Association. Subsequently the approval of the Charity Commission to the revised plans for incorporation and the changes to the Articles needed to be sought. As the reconstruction plan envisaged the ultimate migration of the GYMCA's assets and liabilities into this charity and its transformation into the incorporated GYMCA, key changes to the GYMCA Articles needed to be reflected in this Charity's documents. This work progresses.

Whilst the GYMCA plans are straightforward in principle, the associated legal complexities and the process of obtaining approval from the Charity Commission are proving time consuming given the need to navigate established systems and procedures that are not always readily suited to non-standard transactions.

In the circumstances, the Charity has remained dormant, with neither income nor expenditure, pending the resolution of the GYMCA's plans. The Trustees have not met formally but developments are monitored closely through those trustees who are common to both charities.

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Chairman

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