



JAMAICA SOCIETY LEEDS

Annual Report 2024-2025

Connecting Generations,
Celebrating Heritage.



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Trustees 2024-2025

Chair	Wendy Henry
Vice Chair	Hamlet Fothergill
Treasurer	Theresa Condor
Secretary	Melody Walker
Assistant Secretary	Carol Patterson
Trustees	Dorothy Stewart
	Yvonne English
	Neville McFarlane
	Angela Eddison
	Irene Henry

Chairperson Message and Report

The 2024–25 financial and operational year marked a historic milestone for the Jamaica Society Leeds (JSL). For the first time in our 47-year history, the role of Chairperson has been entrusted to someone from the second generation - born in Britain and of Jamaican heritage. This moment reflects a profound transition: as we honour and bid farewell to many of the pioneering Windrush generation who founded JSL in 1977, we embrace a new chapter shaped by their legacy. It has been both an honour and a privilege to step into this role at such a pivotal time.

With a new Board of Trustees in place in October 2024, we embrace the mission of transforming JSL to become relevant to all generations whilst remaining true to its founding.

The Society remains committed to its objectives and delivering meaningful activities and support throughout 2024 - April 2025.

Our ongoing aim to foster connections, promote cultural understanding, and provide meaningful opportunities and assistance to people of all ages within our local community were reflected in the activities we delivered during this period and our approach to overcoming the challenges we had to face.

Under the direction of Susan Pitter, the Jamaica Society Leeds continued its commitment to community engagement through the ongoing King and Country exhibition, which remained on display in local libraries as part of the Out of Many Festival (OOMF) programme. In July 2024, OOMF presented its comprehensive evaluation document to the membership, highlighting key achievements of the festival. These included increased community participation, successful delivery of cultural heritage workshops, strengthened partnerships with local organisations, and enhanced visibility of Jamaican heritage within the wider Leeds community. These initiatives were supported by grants and formed a vital part of the Society's community projects over the year.

Wendy Henry
Chairperson

Achievements and Milestones

The period 2024 – April 2025 has seen important progress both in our community programmes and in the maintenance and improvement of our premises, Jamaica House. We have continued to build on the strong foundations of previous years, ensuring that our activities are inclusive, impactful, and responsive to the evolving needs of our community. Our achievements reflect a collective commitment to preserving our heritage, supporting our members, and ensuring our long-term sustainability.

A key priority this year was addressing the extensive repairs needed at Jamaica House following the impact of the pandemic. Although the COVID-19 crisis of 2020-2022 may feel like a distant memory, its effects continue to shape our work. The Society is still overcoming and resolving many of the challenges caused by that unprecedented disruption to life as we knew it.

Building Improvements and Accessibility

We completed essential repairs to the roof and balconies at the front and rear of the building. Holes allowing water damage have been sealed, ensuring safer access and helping to protect and preserve the building. These repairs have not only addressed immediate safety concerns but have also contributed to the preservation of Jamaica House as a vital community asset. By investing in the upkeep of our facilities, we are safeguarding a welcoming and accessible environment for all who use our space, now and into the future.



Refurbishment and Office Space Rental

A significant milestone during 2024 – April 2025 was the refurbishment of the first-floor office space at Jamaica House. The space has been fully renovated and prepared for rental, creating a new opportunity to generate income that will help sustain our charitable activities.

We have now handed the office space over to a letting agent and are hopeful that we will secure tenants in 2026. This achievement reflects our ongoing commitment to making the best use of our resources and ensuring the long-term financial health of the Society.

To further develop our capacity, we enlisted the services of an architect. Thanks to their expertise, we now have detailed designs for optimising our existing space, with a long-term vision to extend the building and improve accessibility for all. These developments also increase our potential to generate future income, strengthening our sustainability as a community asset.

Responding to Environmental Challenges

In December 2024, we faced significant setbacks caused by adverse weather of Storm Darragh. The storm led to damage in the neighbouring garden, including the loss of a large, iconic mature tree that had long been a feature of our outdoor space. Despite these challenges, the Society engaged professional tree surgeons to safely remove the fallen tree.

We are deeply grateful to our committed and dedicated members and trustees, including Mr Chambers, Mr Neville Gonzalas, (Members), Hamlet Fothergill and Neville McFarlane (Trustee's) who were present throughout this challenging period.

From the loss of this tree a new vision has emerged, the future plan is to create a memorial garden in memory of the Caribbean war veterans providing a tranquil space for reflection and community gatherings.

The resilience shown by our team and volunteers during this period is a testament to our commitment to maintaining a safe and nurturing environment for all.



Our Purpose and Promise

“Connecting Generations, Celebrating Heritage.”

Vision

A united Leeds where Jamaican heritage is celebrated, inspiring cultural pride and empowering generations to thrive.

Mission

To preserve and share Jamaican culture, support wellbeing and education, and provide an inclusive space at Jamaica House where all generations can connect, learn, and grow together.

Values

Heritage	We honour and promote Jamaican culture and history.
Community	We create a welcoming space that brings people together.
Respect	We value diversity and treat everyone with dignity.
Empowerment	We support people of all ages to reach their potential.
Collaboration	We build partnerships to strengthen community impact.

As we look ahead, the Jamaica Society Leeds remains steadfast in its commitment to honouring our heritage while embracing the future. Guided by our refreshed Vision, Mission, and Values, we will continue to create spaces that connect generations, celebrate Jamaican culture, and empower our community to thrive. Together, we carry forward the legacy of those who came before us, ensuring that Jamaica House remains a beacon of pride, resilience, and unity for years to come.

Activity Report

"Together, we build on legacy and inspire tomorrow"

Community Events and Cultural Celebrations

We kicked started our new year with preparations and delivery of our Windrush Day activities and celebrations for the year.



Windrush Day 2024: Celebrating Legacy, Inspiring Generations

Windrush Day 2024 was nothing short of extraordinary for Jamaica Society Leeds, as we honoured the legacies of the Leeds Windrush generation with a vibrant programme of events that brought history to life and united our community in celebration. We worked in collaboration with the Leeds St Kitts and Nevis Association to put on the various activities.

The festivities began with a powerful school engagement programme, where nine interactive workshops reached over 350 pupils and teachers across five Leeds primary schools. Delivered by acclaimed arts practitioners Ansell Broderick and Khadijah Ibrahiim, these sessions blended storytelling, music, and performance to explore the experiences of Caribbean nurses in the NHS and raise awareness of sickle cell anaemia. Pupils were captivated by personal stories and cultural heritage, sparking curiosity and pride in the contributions of the Windrush generation.

Our “In Conversation with Windrush Generation Nurses” event at Leeds Central Library was an inspiring evening attended by 46 guests. Four pioneering nurses - Yvonne English, Dorothy Steward, Gloria Hanley, and Adora Maynard - shared heartfelt recollections of their careers and activism, highlighting their fight for health equality and their enduring impact on British healthcare. Hosted by award-winning poet and academic Malika Booker, the event featured an exhibition of photographs and memorabilia, creating a moving tribute to these trailblazers.

On Windrush Day itself, Jamaica House opened its doors for a spectacular community celebration. Over 200 people joined us for an afternoon of music, food, cultural pride and British sunshine, bringing a Caribbean feel to the hot day. Our guests – of all ages- filled our hall for the day cultural showcase and some sat outside in the sun; enjoying freshly prepared Jamaican and Kittian foods, drinks, good company and cultural entertainment. The Lord Mayor of Leeds, Councillor Abigail Marshall Katung - the first Lord Mayor of African descent - graced the occasion, underscoring its significance. Guests enjoyed performances by Pantones Steel Band, a soulful set from 15-year-old singer Claire Howarth, and electrifying spoken word from Khadijah Ibrahiim. DJ Fluid kept the energy high, while actor Joe Williams hosted with flair. Caribbean cuisine flowed freely, and a raffle featuring prizes donated by local businesses raised £194, adding to the day’s success.

The celebrations culminated in “An Evening with Alford Gardner”, honouring the last surviving Windrush passenger in Leeds. Over 115 attendees gathered for a documentary screening and a reading from *Finding Home: A Windrush Story*, co-authored by Alford and his son Howard Gardner. Though Alford was unable to attend, Howard led an engaging Q&A and book signing, supported by hosts Jason Allen-Paisant. This event was a poignant reminder of the resilience and vision of the Windrush pioneers.

From heartfelt conversations to joyous cultural showcases, Windrush Day 2024 embodied the spirit of connection, heritage, and gratitude. It was a proud moment for the Society and the Leeds community - a celebration of history that continues to inspire future generations.

Windrush Day Project in Numbers

School Workshops

- 9 interactive sessions delivered
- 5 primary schools engaged
- 350+ pupils and teachers reached

In Conversation with Nurses

- 46 attendees
- £45.40 donations
- £45 in book sales

Windrush Celebration Day at Jamaica House

- 200+ attendees
- £67.13 donations
- £100 in book sales
- £194 raised through raffle

An Evening with Alford Gardner

- 115+ attendees
- £31.06 donations
- £580 in book sales (raising £180 for JSL)

Total Attendance Across Events

- 360+ people

Media Coverage

- Featured by BBC, Yorkshire Times, Lancashire Times, Leeds Inspired and The Voice Online



Annual Independence Day Service 2024

On Sunday, 5 August 2024, Jamaica Society Leeds hosted its annual Independence Service. This event brought together members of the Jamaican ok diaspora and the wider Leeds community to celebrate Jamaica's independence. The service included vibrant cultural performances, music, and reflections, creating a sense of unity and pride among attendees. Such events play a crucial role in strengthening community ties and celebrating our shared heritage, while also welcoming new friends and supporters to the Society.

Care Group: Year-Round Care

The Care Group, which is led by Theresa Condor (Trustees and Treasurer), has played a vital role in supporting members and friends of the Society throughout 2024 - April 2025. The group made 268 telephone calls, offering support and reassurance to individuals who were unwell, 28 calls were made to support families who were bereaved or experiencing loneliness, as well as to provide them with information about upcoming events in the community. This dedicated outreach helps members stay connected, combats loneliness and isolation, and ensures that everyone feels valued and included in the life of the Society.

Intergenerational Christmas Carol Service 2024

On 14 December 2024, we held our second annual Christmas Carol Service, which was very well attended with over 70 people filling the hall. The event featured prayers, carol singing, and readings, as well as reflections on Jamaican culture and heritage. The participation of both young and older members of our community made this a truly intergenerational occasion, fostering a sense of belonging and togetherness during the festive season. The carol service continues to be a highlight of our annual calendar, reinforcing the importance of cultural traditions and collective celebration.



Fundraising Drive 2025

We launched a fundraising drive to raise funds for activities around the fallen tree. We needed funds to inspect the remaining trees to ensure they are not at risk of falling due to storm damage or diseases. We raised over £1,400+ from our members and friends which went a long way to completing the inspection of the trees.

Easter Tea Party 2025

We concluded the year with a delightful Easter Tea Party on 19 April 2025 - a stylish and joyful occasion that brought our community together in celebration. The event was filled with laughter, lively conversation, and plenty of opportunities for everyone to connect, share stories, and enjoy the festive atmosphere."



Looking Ahead

Building on these milestones, we have ambitious plans for the coming year. We are preparing to launch the Golden Connections Social Club and expand our Caribbean Memories Lunches, both of which will support the wellbeing of senior citizens and provide new opportunities for social interaction and cultural exchange.

We are also excited to introduce the 'Rise to Success' afterschool programme, aimed at empowering young people through educational support, mentorship, and skills development.

Our Maroon Support Centre is aimed at, providing advice and advocacy on Caribbean-related issues and offering support to members and the wider community.

We remain committed to fostering cross - cultural understanding through diverse events and collaborative partnerships, making our facilities accessible for wider community use, and securing more funding to sustain and grow our work.

Our long - term vision includes the creation of an intergenerational space a quiet, reflective memorial garden that is also an explorative and inquisitive environment for all ages to experience and enjoy together.

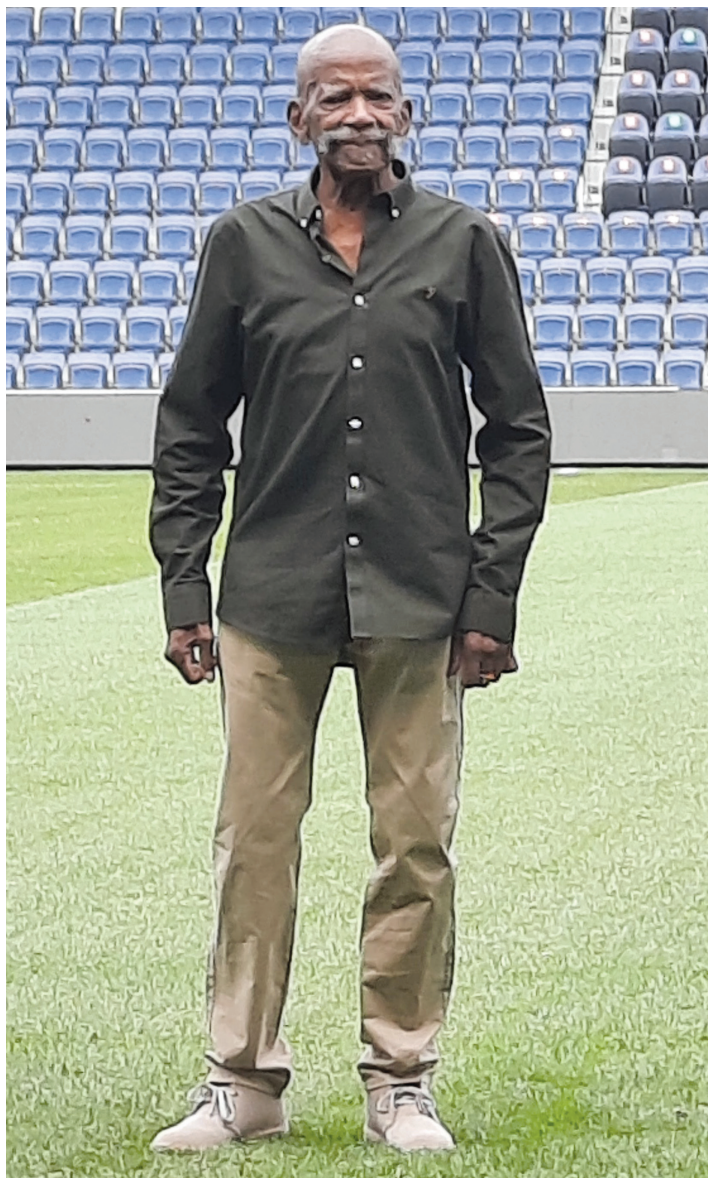
Community Benefits

All our work remains focused on delivering significant benefits, promoting inclusion, cultural connection, and wellbeing across our diverse community.

The support of our members, partners, and funders has been invaluable, enabling us to overcome challenges and achieve lasting positive impact. We are proud of the progress made during 2024 - April 2025 and look forward to building on these achievements as we continue to serve and uplift the Jamaica Society Leeds community.

Tribute to Alford Dalrymple Gardner

12 January 1926 – 1 October 2024



On 1 October 2024, we lost Alford Gardner, one of the last surviving passengers of the MV Empire Windrush and a towering figure in the history of Leeds' Caribbean community.

Alford's life was a testament to resilience, courage, and vision. Returning to Britain in 1948 after serving as ground crew in the RAF from 1944, he helped lay the foundations for a vibrant Jamaican and wider Caribbean presence in Leeds - a legacy that continues to enrich our city today. Alford was not only a pioneer but also the founder of the Leeds Caribbean Cricket Club, one of the oldest Caribbean organisations in Leeds. Through this club, he created a space for camaraderie, cultural pride, and sporting excellence, strengthening community bonds for generations.

He was a storyteller, an advocate, and a custodian of history. His book *Finding Home: A Windrush Story*, co-authored with his son Howard Gardner, captures his remarkable journey and the experiences of the Windrush generation. He was interviewed for the Jamaica Society Leeds' history book, *A Journey Through Our History*, anchoring the story in the experience of a Windrush passenger in the emergence of the Jamaican community in Leeds. As Alford once said:

*"We came with hope, and we built a life.
Our story is Britain's story too."*

In June 2024, Jamaica Society Leeds had the privilege of honouring Alford during our Windrush Day celebrations, making him an honorary member of the Society in recognition of his foundational role in shaping our community. His passing marks the end of an era, but his spirit lives on in the work we do and in the lives he touched.

We extend our deepest condolences to his family and loved ones and pledge to continue preserving the legacy he helped create. Rest in power, Alford Gardner - your journey will forever inspire ours.

Financial Statement

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The Jamaica Society (Leeds)
277, Chapeltown Road, Leeds, LS7 3HA

Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 30 April 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to The Jamaica Society (Leeds)

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Jamaica Society (Leeds) for the year ended 30 April 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the 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 Society'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.

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 the Society as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable 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.

Name: Syed Zahid Ali

Date: 12 December 2025

Address: 10 Dewar Close, Collingham, Wetherby LS22 SJR

The Jamaica Society (Leeds)

Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 30 April 2025

Income and Grants

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Donations and Grants				
ACE Festival		10,000	10,000	6,701
Tree Fund Donation	1,488	-	1,488	-
Renewal & Membership (New)	572	-	572	335
Church Service Collections/Donations	150	-	150	100
Donations - Members	949	-	949	1,590
Membership Monthly Dues	2,562	-	2,562	1,354
Senior Citizen Members Donations	-	-	-	201
Other Donations - Members	44	-	44	-
Miscellaneous Donations	-	-	-	35
Leeds Inspired	-	-	-	1,431
Leeds City Council	300	-	300	150
NLHF & Associated Activities	-	7,700	7,700	46,230
Leeds Culture Trust	-	-	-	4,000
Windrush 75 Project	-	-	-	34,982
Leeds Fund Strategy	-	15,000	15,000	-
Windrush General Legacy	-	15,660	15,660	-
Refund of Professional Fees	1,900	-	1,900	-
Donations and Grants Total	7,965	48,360	56,325	112,109
Other Activities				
Book and Tie Sales	1,096	-	1,096	845
Social Functions	658	-	658	1,420
Use of Hall	2,000	-	2,000	1,637
Trips	955	-	955	751
Raffle	351	-	351	45
Yoga			-	180
Other Activities Total	5,060	-	5,060	4,878
Investments				
Deposit Account Interest	285	-	285	1,063
Income Grand Total	13,310	48,360	61,670	118,050

The Jamaica Society (Leeds)

Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 30 April 2025

Expenditure

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Relating to the Work of The Jamaica Society				
Printing, Postage & Stationery	540	-	540	839
Van/Coach Hire/Travelling	909	-	909	870
Lighting and Heating	2,742	-	2,742	1,520
General Rates/Water Rates	1,889	-	1,889	1,414
Telephone	1,250	-	1,250	1,223
Repairs & Maintenance	2,946	-	2,946	1,937
Accountancy Fees	400	-	400	500
Books	400	-	400	-
Waste Disposal	1,858	-	1,858	1,767
Insurance	3,535	-	3,535	3,020
Cleaning	600	-	600	-
Benevolence - Care Group	464	-	464	582
- Tea Party/Supper	-	-	-	793
- Snr Citizens/Childrens Party	-	-	-	496
Fire Protection/Homeguard	536	-	536	150
Yoga	-	-	-	180
Social Fund	90	-	90	521
Church Service	224	-	224	358
Loan Repayment	1,000	-	1,000	-
Bond Refunds	-	-	-	100
Bid Writing Services	-	-	-	579
Relating to the Work of The Jamaica Society				
Total	1 9,383	-	19,383	16,849

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The Jamaica Society (Leeds)

Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 30 April 2025

Expenditure *continued*

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Expenditure on Restricted Projects				
National Lottery Heritage Fund	-	-	-	2,030
Leeds Fund Strategy	-	9,215	9,215	8,500
Windrush 75 Project	-	-	-	34,982
Windrush General Legacy	-	15,660	15,660	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	3,000
ACE Festival	-	9,300	9,300	36,741
Community Foundation	-	-	-	11,834
Leeds Inspired	-	-	-	1,200
National Lottery Heritage Fund OOMF	-	10,910	10,910	64,404
	-	45,085	45,085	162,691
Expenditure Grand Total	19,383	45,085	64,468	179,540
Income Grand Total	13,310	48,360	61,670	118,050
Transfer in/(out)	6,485 -	6,485	-	6,453
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	412 -	3,210	- 2,798	- 55,037

The Jamaica Society (Leeds)

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 30 April 2025

Cash at Bank and in Hand

	Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Deposit Account		-	-	-	625
Current Account		1,403	7,007	8,410	5,866
Restricted Fund Account		-	17,545	17,545	22,262
		1,403	24,552	25,955	28,753

Represented By:

Reserves at 1 May 2024				28,753	83,790
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year				- 2,798	- 55,037
				25,955	28,7533

Other Assets Held for the Unrestricted Use of The Jamaica Society Leeds

Fixed Assets	3	6,662			
Property	4	1,398,680			

The attached notes on page 6 form part of these financial statements

Approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on
and signed on its behalf by

Trustee

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The Jamaica Society (Leeds)

Notes to The Financial Statements at 30 April 2025

Notes to The Financial Statements

1. The financial statements of The Jamaica Society (Leeds) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 2008 using the Receipts and Payments basis.
2. The movements in designated and restricted funds during the year were.

	Bal B/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Transfer	Bal C/fwd
Restricted					
Leeds Culture Trust	7,700	-	-	- 4,000	3,700
National Lottery Heritage Fund	4,796	-	-	-	4,796
ACE Project	4,278	-	-	- 4,278	0
Community Foundation	2,316	-	-	-	2,316
ACE Festival	- 4,747	10,000	9,300	4,903	856
Leeds Inspired	- 1,050	-	-	-	- 1,050
Leeds Fund Strategy	5,500	15,000	9,215	-	11,285
NLHF & Associated Activities	8,969	7,700	10,910	- 3,110	2,649
Windrush General Legacy	-	15,660	15,660	-	-
	27,762	48,360	45,085	- 6,485	24,552

3. Assets held for the unrestricted use of The Jamaica Society (Leeds) are valued at cost less depreciation calculated at 25% on a reducing balance basis.

	Fixtures Fittings	Equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
Cost	12,400	13,635	1,148	27,183
Description				
Brought Forward	8,477	9,321	785	18,583
Depreciation for Year	981	1,079	121	2,180
Carried Forward	9,458	10,400	906	20,763
Net Book Value				
At 30 April 2024	3,923	4,314	484	8,721
At 30 April 2025	2,943	3,235	484	6,662

4. The freehold property at 277 Chapeltown Road, Leeds, LS7 3H A is shown at the insurance re-instatement valuation.

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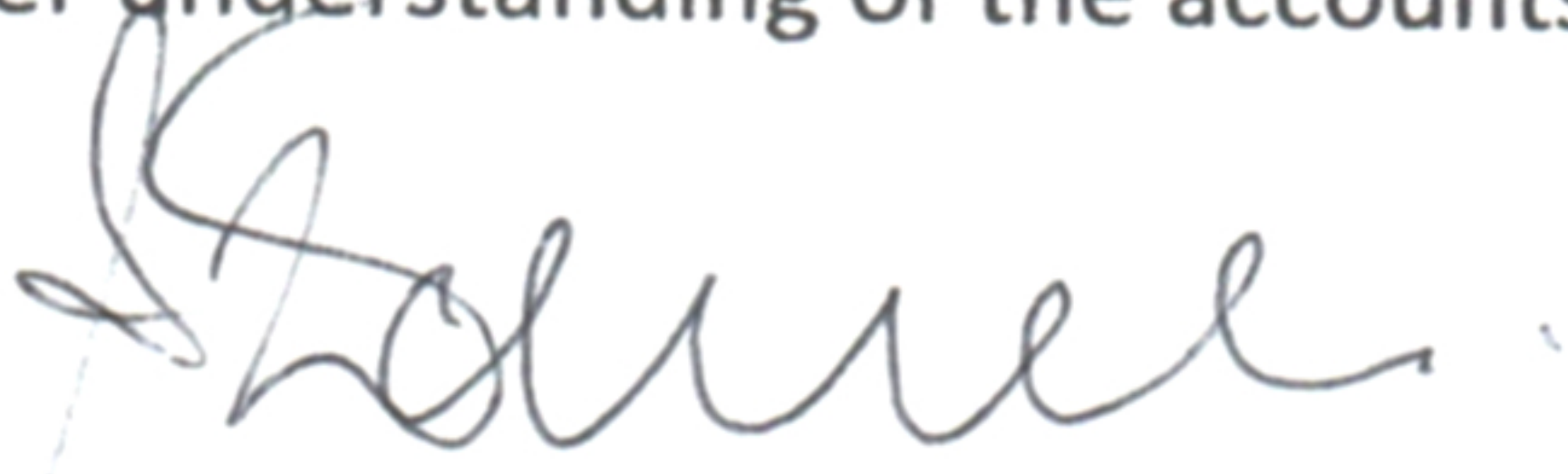
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Income Grand Total	13,310	48,360	61,670	118,050
Transfers in/(out)	6,485	- 6,485	-	6,453
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	412	- 3,210	2,798	- 55,037

The Jamaica Society (Leeds)
Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 30 April 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
				2025	2024
Cash at Bank and in Hand					
Deposit Account		-	-	-	625
Current Account		1,403	7,007	8,410	5,866
Restricted Fund Account		-	17,545	17,545	22,262
		<u>1,403</u>	<u>24,552</u>	<u>25,955</u>	<u>28,753</u>
Represented By:					
Reserves at 1 May 2024				28,753	83,790
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year				- 2,798	- 55,037
				<u>25,955</u>	<u>28,753</u>

Other Assets Held for the Unrestricted Use of The Jamaica Society (Leeds)

Fixed Assets	3	6,662
Property	4	1,398,680

The attached notes on page 6 form part of these financial statements.

Approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on
and signed on its behalf by by

..... Trustee

..... Trustee

The Jamaica Society (Leeds)
Notes to The Financial Statements at 30 April 2025

Notes to The Financial Statements

1. The financial statements of The Jamaica Society (Leeds) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 2008 using the Receipts and Payments basis.
2. The movements in designated and restricted funds during the year were:

Restricted	Bal B/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Transfer	Bal C/Fwd
Leeds Culture Trust	7,700	-	-	4,000	3,700
National Lottery Heritage Fund	4,796	-	-	-	4,796
ACE Project	4,278	-	-	4,278	0
Community Foundation	2,316	-	-	-	2,316
ACE Festival	4,747	10,000	9,300	4,903	856
Leeds Inspired	1,050	-	-	-	1,050
Leeds Fund Strategy	5,500	15,000	9,215	-	11,285
NLHF & Associated Activities	8,969	7,700	10,910	3,110	2,649
Windrush General Legacy	-	15,660	15,660	-	-
	<u>27,762</u>	<u>48,360</u>	<u>45,085</u>	<u>- 6,485</u>	<u>24,552</u>

3. Assets held for the unrestricted use of The Jamaica Society (Leeds) are valued at cost less depreciation calculated at 25% on a reducing balance basis.

	Fixtures Fittings	Equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
Cost	<u>12,400</u>	<u>13,635</u>	<u>1,148</u>	<u>27,183</u>
Depreciation				
Brought Forward	8,477	9,321	785	18,583
Depreciation for Year	981	1,079	121	2,180
Carried Forward	<u>9,458</u>	<u>10,400</u>	<u>906</u>	<u>20,763</u>
Net Book Value				
At 30 April 2024	<u>3,923</u>	<u>4,314</u>	<u>484</u>	<u>8,721</u>
At 30 April 2025	<u>2,943</u>	<u>3,235</u>	<u>484</u>	<u>6,662</u>

4. The freehold property at 277 Chapeltown Road, Leeds, LS7 3HA is shown at the insurance re-instatement valuation.

Independent Examiner's Report to The Jamaica Society (Leeds)

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Jamaica Society (Leeds) for the year ended 30 April 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

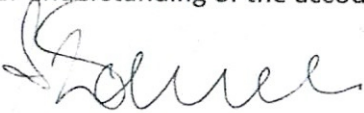
I report in respect of my examination of the Society's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 the Society as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable 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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Date: 12 DECEMBER 2025

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