

Charity Registration No. 518391

COBRIDGE COMMUNITY MULTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

## Cobridge Community Multicultural Association

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## Cobridge Community Multicultural Association

### Reference and administrative information

<b>Charity number</b>	518391	
<b>Business address</b>	353 Cobridge Road Cobridge Stoke-on-Trent ST1 5JP	
<b>Trustees</b>	C. Jackson C M McCausland S. Lloyd R Scott C Savage S. Thaw V Patterson (Treasurer) C Barker (Assistant Treasurer) H Salmon (Chair) I Nugent (Assistant Chair) J Falconer S Robinson (Secretary)	Resigned 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2023 Resigned 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024       Appointed 29 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 Appointed 29 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 Appointed 29 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	C B V France Geens Limited Chartered Accountants Graphic House 124 City Road Stoke-on-Trent ST4 2PH	
<b>Bankers</b>	National Westminster Bank plc 1 Upper Market Square Hanley Stoke-on-Trent ST1 1NS	

## **Cobridge Community Multicultural Association**

### **Report of the Trustees**

**for the year ended 31 December 2023**

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### *Organisational structure*

Cobridge Community Multicultural Association (CCMA) is an unincorporated association established by Constitution dated 1 October 1984, which was amended and updated on 24 August 2004, and a registered charity.

The trustees, who are also members of the Management Committee are elected on an annual basis with the honorary officers being elected from the membership of the Management Committee. The committee meets six times a year but certain executive powers with regard to the day to day operation of the centre are delegated to the honorary officers.

### **Objectives and activities**

#### *Charitable objects*

The charity is established to advance education and provide community facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation. The activities of the charity primarily focus on a multi-cultural centre which caters for the needs of the community of North Staffordshire.

### **Achievements and performance**

#### *Review of activities and achievements*

The centre over the last year has increased its activities to include the following; we have run a number of training courses to our members and the wider community;

First Aid (short courses), Saturday Soup Club (every two weeks), Keep Fit for the Elderly with Age UK (weekly), Dominoes Team (weekly), Salsa Dance Classes (weekly), Soca Fitness Boot Camp (weekly), Day Trips (quarterly), Empowering People Discussion Group (monthly), Arts Group for the elderly, is our newest weekly activity. We have also provided the community with a range of social events such as an Easter Egg Hunt, Fireworks Display and Meet Santa for the local children. We are also used regularly by other organisations that hire our rooms for meetings and training, and the wider community hire our spaces for social events such as weddings, anniversaries and other celebrations.

### **Financial review**

#### *Results for the year*

The unrestricted payments for the year exceeded the receipts by £2,217, giving an available unrestricted balance at the year-end of £18,584.

#### *Reserves*

The trustees consider that an appropriate level of free reserves, that is unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity, should be between three and six months running expenses which would amount to at least £6,000.

On behalf of the trustees



H. Salmon (chairperson)

Date: 04.10.2024

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Cobridge Community Multicultural Association**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 4 and 5.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

### **Independent examiner's statement – matter of concern identified**

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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act;  
or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



C B V France  
Geens Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Graphic House  
124 City Road  
Stoke-on-Trent  
ST4 2PH

Date: 04.10.2024.

Cobridge Community Multicultural Association

Charity number 518391

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds £	Total funds £	Last year £
<b>Receipts</b>			
Membership fees	202	202	255
Room hire and catering	15,921	15,921	21,537
Donation, rent and expenses from bar	9,500	9,500	9,000
Fund raising	-	-	96
Bank interest	45	45	8
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>25,668</b>	<b>25,668</b>	<b>30,896</b>
<b>Payments</b>			
Food and household goods etc	3,781	3,781	5,794
Volunteers expenses	-	-	298
Electricity, gas and water	7,801	7,801	9,274
Insurance	3,904	3,904	3,511
Repairs, renewals & equipment	7,398	7,398	11,062
Bank charges & sumup machine fees	78	78	107
Printing, stationery and advertising	710	710	868
Licences	685	685	700
Telephone charges	1,063	1,063	982
Independent examiner's fees	1,230	1,230	1,164
Events	143	143	1,075
Sundry Expenses	444	444	204
Donations	-	-	50
Printer Lease	648	648	648
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>27,885</b>	<b>27,885</b>	<b>35,737</b>
<b>Excess of receipts (payments) in year</b>	<b>(2,217)</b>	<b>(2,217)</b>	<b>(4,841)</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>20,801</b>	<b>20,801</b>	<b>25,642</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>18,584</b>	<b>18,584</b>	<b>20,801</b>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on ... *H Salmon* and signed on their behalf by

*X* H Salmon (Chairperson)  
Trustee

*04.10.2024.*

**Cobridge Community Multicultural Association**

**Charity number 518391**

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2023**

<b>Cash funds</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cash at bank</b>	
<b>Nat West</b>	
CCMA Current Account	8,037
CCMA Deposit Account	3,786
CCMA Fundraising Account	2,152
Luncheon Club Current account	4,346
<b>Cash in hand</b>	
Luncheon Club	172
CCMA Cash Account	91
<b>Total</b>	<u><u>18,584</u></u>
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	<b>£</b>
Freehold land & buildings	146,127
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	5,524
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<b>Investment assets</b>	<b>£</b>
Shares in Manumit Trading Ltd	<u><u>3</u></u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>	<b>£</b>
Connected company	<u><u>1,937</u></u>
Trade creditors and accruals	<u><u>1,292</u></u>