



# **Angel Community Canal Boat Trust**

# **Annual Report 2019/20**



Registered Charity Number: 1103542 Company Number: 5088108 **Angel Community Canal Boat Trust** (ACCT) is a charity which operates a skippered community canal boat – *Angel II of Islington* - for use by local residents and community groups at a cost they can afford. It was originally established in 1976 as Islington Narrow Boat Association (INBA) and continues to be based at City Road basin in Islington on the Regent's Canal.

The charity enables up to 2,000 people a year to have the opportunity to:

- experience the fun and activity of a canal cruise
- learn about the history and development of their local area and London through the inland waterways
- see the extensive flora and fauna of the canal environment and understand the ecological balance
- gain the confidence and social skills necessary for travelling, working and living together on a canal boat, and, for many, to have the novel experience of a period away from the city, cars, street lights, TVs and all that comes with life in an inner city area.

The charity has also developed and runs projects based on *Angel II* and the canal, and focused on the needs of particular groups of young people from our local community.

Now onto our second specially designed steel narrow boat we offer trips lasting from one to seven days.

ACCT is supported by Islington Council, and receives grants from a variety of charities and grant-making organisations (both local and national), donations and subscriptions from supporters and hire fees from user groups, which are related to their ability to pay.

Most of our users are local children and young people who would not be able to afford the cost of such an experience if we did not exist and if we were not able to charge heavily subsidised rates.



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### 100 Club

To become a **Friend of the Angel Boat** it is only necessary to donate a regular annual sum to support *Angel II*. The regular donation will give local people the opportunity of a trip to remember, to learn new skills and to have new experiences. As a Friend you can also contribute to the development of our operations by offering ideas to improve or expand our service to the community or by helping us in doing so.

To sign up to be a member of the 100 Club, just contribute at least £100 a year. In return, in each year you contribute we offer you and one guest an evening trip on the Angel Boat, along with other 100 Club members. In the company of some of our trustees and other guests of our organisation you can enjoy a trip to Camden and back, working locks, steering or simply enjoying the ride while enjoying food and drink.

If you haven't, why not join the **100 Club** now and help support *Angel II*?

# Chair's Report

At the time of writing (July 2020) we are adapting to the Covid-19 post-lockdown 'new-normal', with residential trips on hold but we've commenced day trips, following government guidelines.

The shutdown from March 2020 brought a very positive year to an end in a manner we (like so many others) had not anticipated. But putting a positive note on 2020/21, we are sufficiently financially secure to weather the immediate storm, while the medium-term consequences are assessed and plans for our future put in place. Our greatest worries must be about the financial position of our many user groups, and how they will manage in the year ahead, and for the future priorities of the many grant-making bodies we turn to in order to fund trips.

But back to the positive – and our 2019/20 year. Funding from **Tesco 'Bags of Help'** enabled us to run a project, which we had previously trialled, with young people with special needs who are in transition from school to employment.

As our skipper Phil records in his report, the summer residential project stayed closer to home on the Rivers Lee and Stort this year. People are often surprised by the pleasantness and variety of the area, which combined with the opportunities for off-boat activities made it a big hit. These trips are funded by Children in Need and we aim to show how in the course of a five-day trip the young people can learn to work together, take and give instructions and gain greater confidence in their own abilities. As the year ends, we have been awarded a further £3,000 'booster' from **Children in Need** to continue this project for a few more weeks.



This year (Summer 2020) for the first time in our 45-year history, there has been no public event to join us and hear about our year's achievements. This annual report is the best we can provide until we are able to gather safely again. In June 2019 we held our meeting at our preferred venue at the offices of PTE Architects on Diespeker

# Chair's Report (continued)

Wharf and were pleased to invite Rakhia Ismail, the Mayor of Islington, as well as many of our users and supporters.



Annual meeting – July 2019:

(Left to right): Errol (Awesome Adventure Playgrounds), Phil (Angel Boat skipper), Rakhia Ismail (Mayor of Islington 2019/20) and Giles (Chair of Angel Boat) at Angel Boat's 2019 Annual General Meeting

The Angel Boat continues only because of the support – financial, physical and in kind – which we receive from so many sources, both institutions and individuals. I have already acknowledged the funding from Children in Need and Tesco, but we were also grateful for new funding during the year from Camden Giving, and from local residents via the Angel Association and Arlington Association, as well as a number of very generous private donations, and the subscriptions of our Friends and members of the 100 Club (more details appear in the accounts). PTE and Bill Thomas have continued to provide us with regular vital support on Diespeker Wharf.

Finally, my thanks go to all of the trustees and volunteers for their various and varied contributions to the Angel Boat. They give generously of their time because they believe in the value of what we are doing and of the many benefits of the 'waterways experience' for our community.

Giles Eyre

# Project Manager and Skipper's Report

The job of a project manager and skipper to a community canal boat is nothing if not varied. From outreach and grant applications, to carrying out maintenance of the boat, to taking out groups on *Angel II of Islington (Angel II)* and introducing them to the joys of canals, boating and living together and the history and varied environment we pass by and through on our trips. There is no other job quite like it.



This year (April 2019 to March 2020) has been as varied as ever, and, towards the end of the year, an unusually challenging period for *Angel II*.

We started our year with trips through Islington tunnel in association with The London Canal Museum, with whom we have a very close working relationship and are their boat of choice for visiting groups. These were mainly primary schools, but also historical societies and even wedding parties - we have now delivered several brides and groom to their receptions at the Museum. Our passengers love passing through the gloom of Islington Tunnel even if your skipper feels some days he barely sees daylight!

Our main focus is, as always, community organisations and this year we have welcomed back many past hirers as well as several groups new to *Angel II*. One of our new groups was Think Forward, an organisation working with young people with different needs, helping them to prepare for independent living. We were able to provide these fully funded trips through our partnership with Tesco's via their 'Bags of Help' fund.

"I haven't even missed my phone because we have been doing so many activities together"

# Project Manager and Skipper's Report (continued)



Our day trips are as popular as ever and we have increased our reach within the local community to enable even more groups to experience an alternative day out aboard *Angel II*. With help and support from Islington Community Chest and Camden Giving's King's Cross Fund we have welcomed some 20 groups from our elderly and isolated and BAME neighbours. Many of them were discovering and exploring their local canal for the first time and spending time with others whom they would not normally meet. And all while in the comfort and safety of our boat.

"A lovely day out, relaxing, great fun, great company. Really enjoyed socialising together in an interesting and enjoyable environment."

For our summer project of residential trips with young people, this year we concentrated on the local waterways that surround London, specifically the rivers Lea and Stort, rather than travelling further afield. The route gives a good mix of industrial and rural scenery, and an opportunity to learn how and why the canals were built. There are also plenty of locks, both manual and electric, to keep the groups active. They also have the opportunity to enjoy the fantastic range of leisure facilities this route provides alongside its abundance of wildlife and places of historic interest to discover. For those groups who had been with us before, this alternative route was an enjoyable change.

"The trip has been phenomenal! The young people have been learning so much and gaining new skills continuously"

"It's been an experience I will never forget; I've enjoyed having responsibilities and being on the boat with my friends"

"It was such a great adventure! I loved how we all worked as a team and communicated with each other"

# Project Manager and Skipper's Report (continued)

One of the highlights of our year is the annual Angel Canal Festival in September, our chance to show the thousands of people who attend what we do and to raise awareness of our work and raise funds to carry on providing this much needed project.





Our last residential of 2019 was in October, enjoyed by new users Leaside Trust who came along with inflatable stand up paddle boards. One week after their trip they rang to book again for next October.

In October we also hosted our first social and information sharing evening for play and youth workers to hear what their groups loved about a residential trip on *Angel II* and any ideas they had for improvement. This was a great opportunity to hear what we do right and what we could perhaps do better, and how our user groups can get even more out of their trips. We had some incredibly positive suggestions which we will incorporate in our activities. One of the highlights of the evening was a very lively presentation from Errol and Dawn, youth leaders, who have each made several trips with their groups of young people and who extolled the many advantages for the young people on our residential trips, and the differences the trips had made to them all.

The age range on our residential trips this year was from an 8-year-old adventure playground group to the UpperDeckers, a paddle sport group for over 50s, proving you are never too old or young for a holiday on board *Angel II*.

We had an unusually busy winter with guide and scout groups braving the rain and cold on weekend residential trips. The daylight hours may have been short but their days were packed with activities.

We ended our year pretty much as it began with a week on Enfield dry dock. *Angel II* is now over 20 years old and was in need of repairs to the engine propulsion system, a costly but essential service that will help us to continue for many more years. This

# Project Manager and Skipper's Report (continued)

was also a chance to touch up some of the paintwork that makes *Angel II* one of the most photographed and admired boats on our canal system. On our way back to Islington we even had time for some crew training including a session on use and maintenance of life jackets in line with our updated Health and Safety policy.

As the year ended, Covid-19 was becoming a part of our lives, and just as we were raising substantial funds to run day and residential trips for the victims of domestic abuse we had to cancel trips as we headed for lockdown. As I write this (July 2020) we are just beginning to open up again to limited trips, but it is going to be some time before our operations are back to normal.

Phil Gavigan

Artist Sophie Harris-Greenslade has continued her great work with us by repainting our water can in traditional style





Before...

...and after

# Overview of 2019/20

Diversity and opportunity lie at the heart of our purpose. Our enduring mission of making a difference to the disadvantaged, the vulnerable, the isolated and lonely – as well as skills building for young people - means we are lucky enough to be able to welcome on board diverse groups of people from Islington and neighbouring boroughs with diverse needs and interests.

Here we give you a flavour of some of the trips we've done in the last year to achieve our aims.

### Children and Young People





Thanks to Tesco 'Bags of Help' funding from the Islington Green store, we were able to welcome on board groups from Think Forward for two-day residential trips.

Think Forward is an Islington based charity working with young people with special needs in the transition from school to employment.

The youngsters are helped to develop key life skills to help them on their journey to independence. For example, the importance of food planning, making a shopping list, and taking into account special dietary requirements, food allergies and personal likes/dislikes, before a trip to Tesco. They then return to *Angel II* to prepare and enjoy a meal together, while at the same time gaining confidence (and pleasure) from a canal trip.

Our regular users include girl guides and cub scouts who come for weekend residential trips. The demand was such that *Angel II* (and a well-wrapped up skipper Phil) continued throughout the winter, braving between them storms Clara, Dennis and Jorge without complaint. We did a total of seven weekends in January and February 2020.

### Overview of 2019/20 (continued)

The combination of the bracing weather outside and the cosy interior of *Angel II* provides the opportunity for a wide range of activities to be experienced and 'badges' to be gained.







#### Social Inclusion

We ran many day trips with local community groups, some of whom were well known to us, but some new. We welcomed members of **Dragon Hall Trust** on a lovely sunny September day. Dragon Hall Trust provides opportunities for social, educational and recreational activities developed for and by the members of diverse communities, especially those at risk from social exclusion and isolation.

Our guests, like so many others we see on *Angel II*, gave their outing a 100% satisfaction rating. Their feedback confirmed that we were achieving our objectives in our work with such groups:

"Everybody has a chance to have pleasant conversations with each other."

### Overview of 2019/20 (continued)

"Perfect weather and pleasant group make this trip memorable. very interesting tour, comfortable boat, lots of history and opportunities for photography."

"Many, many thanks for giving us the opportunity to meet the other people as well.

[...] Not only was the trip both very interesting and enjoyable in itself it also provided an excellent opportunity [..] for extensive chat with virtually all of the other participants taking part in a lively positive way. The scenery was interesting and the pace of the boat restful."

#### **Survivors of Domestic Violence**

This year we sought to reach a new group of users, raising funds in, for us, a new way. Under the Aviva Community Fund initiative, we set out in March 2020 to raise £2,500 to provide trips to women and their children made homeless through domestic violence or sexual abuse by means of crowd-funding. Our chosen partner - **Solace Women's Aid** - is an Islington-based charity which provides temporary refuge, therapeutic counselling and training at their 22 refuges across London to help women survivors and their children to get back on their feet.

This new project aims to offer female survivors of domestic violence and sexual abuse - and their children - a relaxing and safe experience on board the Angel Boat, guided by our skipper Phil. Not only will this provide respite from their day-to-day hardships, but also will help re-build self-esteem and enable women to meet other women similarly affected in order to build new friendships and introduce supportive networks to help rebuild their lives.

Despite fundraising starting just as the world was imploding due to Covid-19 we raised a total of just over £5,500 through Aviva and other sources, including Islington's Local Initiative Fund, as well as generous support from some of our established supporters.

This will enable us to reach 150 women and children using Solace's services. The start of the project has been delayed due to Covid-19 but is now needed more than ever, as a result of increased domestic violence during lockdown. Suitable socially distanced trips will be starting in July 2020.





Photo credit: Solace Women's Aid

# **Supporter Engagement**

### Volunteers

With just one employee, we rely on committed Trustees and volunteers to help us. They get involved in a wide range of activities, including crewing on our trips, fund raising, getting their hands dirty in painting *Angel II* as well as posting leaflets to promote our services.

Apart from our Trustees, special thanks to Ian Bland and Steve Shaughnessy who have committed much time in supporting us.

We always welcome new volunteers.

Photo: Trustee Nancy, Skipper Phil and volunteer Steve practise 'man overboard!'



### **Community Groups**

We're always keen to engage community groups to learn how we can best support them.

The biggest user of our residential trips between Easter and October 2019 were local **adventure playgrounds** (APGs). Following the 2019 project, on a Saturday evening in November we invited youth leaders from these APGs to hear their thoughts on how we could make our residential trips on *Angel II* even better for the youngsters and the youth workers who lead them and how we might reach even more playgrounds and youth groups.

Hosted aboard the *Water Gypsy* at Islington Boat Club, we were pleasantly surprised at the number of workers from APGs we welcomed from APGs operated by Islington Play, Awesome, Isledon Arts and London Borough of Hackney.



Photo: Dawn and Errol (Rose Bowl and Awesome Adventure Playgrounds) talking about the huge impact of their Angel Boat residentials on youngsters they led

### Supporter Engagement (continued)

As part of the discussion two experienced youth workers, Errol Salmon of Awesome and Dawn Jarret formerly of Awesome and now Isledon Arts (Rose Bowl Youth Club), gave us a presentation and shared their stories of the differences our trips have made to some of their youngsters. We received many helpful tips from the group on how we could make the experience even better for young people, and the youth workers were able to swap ideas and experiences amongst themselves to help develop future trips. We have now incorporated much of what we heard into a new guide for residential trips, and a more detailed route planner for groups.



# **Fundraising and Awareness-Raising**

Our income comes mainly from successful grant applications, individuals supporting us through regular (100 Club) or single gifts donations, our own fundraising events and private hire fees which we use to subsidise community groups. We cover the highlights below.

# City Road Basin History Development and Evolution (1820 -2019) Talk – May 2019

A new fundraising venture for us - a talk by our very own chair, Giles Eyre, a keen and knowledgeable historian.

Playing to a packed house at St James' Church Hall, Prebend Street, Giles fascinated the audience with little known facts and interesting insights about the development of the City Road Basin and surrounding area. Who'd have thought that tonic water was first produced in Wharf Road?

From our sales of entrance and raffle tickets, as well as refreshments on the night, we raised just nearly £1,000.

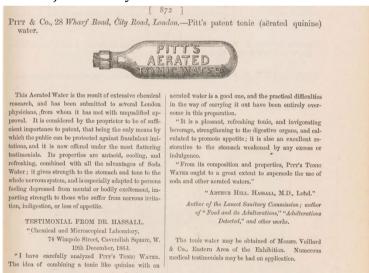


Image: Pitts Aerated Tonic Water, Wharf Road

# Angel Canal Festival - September 2019

Once again Angel Boat played an active role at the annual Angel Canal Festival on 1 September 2019.

Our volunteers worked hard to raise awareness of our aims and to meet our supporters. We welcomed a constant stream of visitors on board.

# Fundraising and Awareness-Raising (continued)

Our fundraising raffle – top prize, a champagne cruise on *Angel II* for 12 passengers – with additional generous donations of prizes from supporters, including meals at Frederick's and The Narrowboat Pub – was well supported.

Angel Boat Trustee Nancy made over 100 jars of her home-made jam which sold out by 3:00 pm, adding a healthy sum to the day's fundraising.

Sadly, there will be no 'live' Festival this year, due to Covid-19, but we hope this lovely event will resume in 2021.

### Crowdfunding - March/April 2020

Our chair has spoken about a new departure for us - extending our reach to provide trips to women and their children made homeless through domestic violence or sexual abuse and raising the necessary funds by crowdfunding.

Under the umbrella of Aviva's Community Initiative, we raised a total of £6,000 including Gift Aid receipts. As the present time, we are planning to welcome the first guests from Solace Women's Aid refuges on board very shortly.

### 100 Club

To say thank you to our Friends and 100 Club members, we laid on a number of evening cruises for our supporters. Our guests enjoyed a light supper and refreshments on lovely July evenings.

Always convivial events with our delightful supporters, thank you for coming and continuing to be members of our 100 Club. This helps provide us with an ongoing income stream.



## **Corporate Sponsorship**

We have developed an attractive corporate sponsorship package to both promote the sponsor's generosity buy also to offer employee engagement opportunities. Given the

# Fundraising and Awareness-Raising (continued)

Covid-19 crisis when many businesses are struggling for survival, we feel the time is not right to seek sponsors. However, this will become more of a priority in 2021.

### **Awareness Raising**

Angel II featured in the media twice this last year, first on the front cover of an Observer and Guardian Cities special weekend supplement in July 2019, which included pieces on regeneration and the changing nature of the role of canals, and second, on prime-time TV.



To compliment the supplement, a group from the publisher came onboard for a slow cruise down to Broadway Market, distributing extra copies to boaters, walkers and joggers along the way.

Cover Image: Artist Holly Wales

Well known comedian Russell Howard (and film crew) spent a day on board with fellow comedian Josh Widdicombe who relived memories of childhood canal holidays for an episode of the Russell Howard Hour shown on Sky One in February. Josh later said that his experience on *Angel II* was "one of the best hours of my life". (The episode is still available to view on YouTube

(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MtJtOjnA558)





# Trustees' Report

The Management Committee presents its report and independently examined financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2020.

#### Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Angel Community Canal Boat Trust

Working Name: The Angel Boat

Charity registration number: 1103542 Company registration number: 5088108

Registered office: 27 Rollscourt Avenue, London SE24 0EA Operational address: 16-34 Graham Street, London N1 8JX

Employer's Insurance: Hiscox Instructing Solicitors Co Ltd (Policy No

S19M5275)

**Management Committee** 

Giles Eyre Chair

Keith Ball Secretary and Hon Treasurer

Robin King Nancy Harrison Kevin Mitchell Luisa Myers-Nobbs Debra Whitaker

**Independent Examiner** 

Alistair Milliken, FCA 34 Elwill Way, Beckenham, Kent BR3 3AD

**Bankers** 

Co-operative Bank, 1 Islington High Street, London N1 9TR1

### Structure, Governance and Management

#### Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 30 March 2004 and registered as a charity on 30 April 2004. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are each required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10. On 31 March 2005, the assets of Islington Narrow Boat Association (registered in 1976 as charity number 271457) were transferred to the company for the express purpose of taking over the charitable operations of Islington Narrow Boat Association as of 1 April 2005. The Company has identical objects to Islington Narrow Boat Association and the approval of the Charities Commission was obtained for the 31 March 2005 asset transfer.

#### Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee

The directors of the company are also the charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and are known as members of the Management Committee. Under the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, one third of the directors are required to retire

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each year at the Annual General Meeting. The directors retiring are Robin King and Luisa Myers-Nobbs. Robin King and Luisa Myers-Nobbs, being eligible, offer themselves for reelection. Anyone interested in appointment as a director should contact any one of the existing directors.

#### Risk Management

Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, users and visitors. Written procedures for the protection of children and vulnerable adults and enhanced criminal record bureau disclosures are maintained for all staff and volunteers. Internal control risks are minimised by implementation of procedures for financial management and control.

#### Organisational Structure

The Management Committee meets at least four times a year and is responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. Day to day responsibility is delegated to the Chair with day to day operational management the responsibility of the Project Manager and Skipper.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the Company are, inter alia, 'to provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life of those persons resident in or in the vicinity of the London Borough of Islington, who have a need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances'. This is achieved by the operation of a purpose-built community canal narrow boat ANGEL II OF ISLINGTON (which is the sole asset of the Company), and the employment of a fulltime skipper, providing day and residential cruises on the Regent's Canal and connecting waterways from its base at City Road Basin. Groups using the boat include schools, playgroups, adventure play grounds, scouts and guides, residents' associations, homeless and psychiatric hostels, ethnic minority and refugee groups and senior citizens, young people and adults with special educational needs and learning difficulties and those participating in educational and environmental projects involving waterways or local topics.

#### **Public Benefit Statement**

The directors have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

We have obtained additional funding from grant-giving bodies to enable groups who are unable to pay our subsidised hire fees to enjoy a trip without charge and with additional funding for off-boat activities. We have widened our volunteer base and trained up additional volunteer crew members. We have continued to widen the range of groups of users, many from the more socially excluded groups within the Borough, and continued our projects developed and specifically targeted at primary schools (Stage 1 and 2) in

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partnership with the London Canal Museum and at young people and young adults with learning difficulties. We have continued to expand our work with elderly and socially excluded groups of users working with Age UK, and our residential trips with young people.

Until 30 September 2016 ACCT was part funded through a service contract with the London Borough of Islington. That funding has now ceased. We continue to widen our base of funders both to replace the funding we have received for many years from Islington Council and in order to reduce the cost of our trips to user groups. We have received financial support from BBC Children in Need, The Newby Trust, Islington Council's Community Chest in partnership with the Cripplegate Foundation, Camden Giving's Kings Cross Fund, Tesco Bags of Help, Kusuma Trust and James Douglas.

We have continued to seek and to obtain increased funding from private supporters to assist with general operating costs and the cost of the new projects, and extended are fundraising activities.

#### **Financial Review**

Details of the year's operations are to be found in the Statistical Summary from the Skipper's Log (page 27), and the List of Hirers (page 28). The total number of passengers carried was 1201 and a total of 83 passenger trips.

In addition to hire fees, the Company was funded by grants from a number of sources. Total grant resources for the year were up on last year at £26,965, of which £10,000 was attributable to Children in Need, £7,500 from Kusuma Trust, £5,000 from the John Murray Trust and £3,600 from Groundwork (Tesco). Donations and Friends' subscriptions received in the current year were down on last year at £13,419; donors of sums exceeding £500 are listed at Note 8.

The accounts are set out on pages 20 to 25, and show a surplus of £4,505 on the Unrestricted Funds. Hire and running costs amounted to £49,609, and principally consist of staff salary costs of £27,890, office and boat equipment £5,882, boatyard costs and supplies of £5,230 and boat licence and insurance costs of £3,390. The deficit arising on restricted funds consists of depreciation on the boat (£1,456). The current year surplus, before transfers, of £5,962 is not significant compared to the unrestricted fund balance and current year financial activities. The surplus includes an increase in grants but a decrease in hire fees and a small increase in overheads, mostly due to boat repair costs. The Company is still dependent upon the level of grant aid provided, but also significant donations from all supporters, both individual and corporate. The Company continues to actively explore ways to expand its income base. All outgoings, in light of the uncertainty of grant income, are constantly reviewed so as to remain within income constraints.

#### **Responsibilities of the Directors**

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company's financial activities during the

## Trustees' Report (continued)

year and of its financial position at the year end. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors 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 accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Members of the Management Committee, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report were:

Giles Eyre Robin King
Kevin Mitchell Nancy Harrison
Keith Ball Debra Whitaker

Luisa Myers-Nobbs

Approved by the Management Committee on 30 June 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Giles Eyre Director

# Statement of financial activities For the year ended 31 March 2020

	Notes	2020 Unrestricted Funds £	2020 Restricted Funds £	2020 Designated Funds £	2020 Total Funds £	2019 Total £
Incoming resources		~	~	~	~	~
Hire Fees		23,785	_	_	23,785	25,754
Grants	8	26,965	-	_	26,965	21,050
Less Allocated to Hire Fees		(11,065)	_	-	(11,065)	(11,550)
Donations & Friends	8	13,419	_	-	13,419	14,901
Interest receivable & Other		2,467	_	-	2,467	2,110
Income						
		55,571			55,571	52,265
Resources Expended Cost of Generating Funds Fundraising and publicity		-	-		-	-
Charitable Expenditure Hire and running costs		49,609	-	-	49,609	47,781
Total resources expended		49,609	-	-	49,609	47,781
Net incoming resources	3	5,962			5,962	4,484
Transfer to New Boat Fund	-	(1,457)	1,457	-	-	-
Net transfer to funds for year		4,505	-	-	4,505	4,484
Fund balances at 1 April 2019	7	8,092	76,403	38,506	123,001	118,517
Fund balances at 31 March 2020	7	12,597	77,860	38,506	128,963	123,001

There were no recognised gains or losses other than the result for each year as shown above.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement of financial activities.

There were no related party transactions during the year.

# **Balance Sheet**As at 31 March 2020

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	5	0	1,457
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		141,971	143,731
Debtors and Prepayments		3,402	2,698
Creditors & deferred income:			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(16,410)	(24,885)
Net current assets		128,963	121,544
Total assets less current liabilities		128,963	123,001
Funds			
Designated fund	7	51,103	46,598
Restricted funds	7	77,860	76,403
		128,963	123,001

#### **Audit Exemption Statement**

For the year ending 31st March 2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

#### Directors' responsibilities:

- the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,
- the directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts
- these accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 30 June 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Giles Eyre	Keith Ball
Director	Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this balance sheet.

### **Notes to the Accounts**

### 1 Accounting policies

#### a) Basis of accounting

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The accounts, incorporating a Statement of Financial Activities, have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice - 'Accounting & Reporting by Charities' and applicable accounting standards ('SORP FRS102' & 'SORP FRSSE').

### b) Fund accounting

General funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the Trustees to help finance specific operations.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by donors or by the purpose of the appeal or for specific capital projects. The purpose and use of restricted funds is set out in the notes to the accounts.

#### c) Resources expended

The cost headings comprise operating staff costs, fundraising & publicity activities, general administration costs and depreciation.

Central overheads are allocated on the basis of their use with the aim of ensuring that those costs remaining within administration relate to the management of the charity's assets, and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

#### d) Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

Narrow boat and fixed equipment	-	20 years
Other equipment	_	5 years

#### e) Taxation

No corporation tax has been provided in these accounts because the income of the charity is within the exemption granted by Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

### 2 Analysis of total resources expended

	£
Staff costs	27,890
Fundraising and publicity	0
Boat and office equipment	5,882
Trip expenditure and boat supplies	5,230
Other	9,150
Depreciation	1,457
Total	49,609

£

£

### Notes to the Accounts (continued)

### 3 Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year

is stated after charging:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,457	3,893
4 Staff costs		
Particulars of employees, including those of the subsidiary, are shown below:		
	2020	2019

Employee costs during the year amounted to:

Employee costs during the year amounted to:

Wages and salaries

Social security costs

27,890
29,780
27,890
29,780

The company benefited from the Employment allowance which exempted small companies from the Employers National Insurance charge.

The average number of persons employed by the group during the year was 1. The trustees do not receive remuneration for their services to the charity. No employee earned more than £50,000 per annum.

### 5 Tangible fixed assets

The following are included in the net book value of tangible fixed assets:

	Narrow	Total
	boat	
	£	£
Cost		
1 April 2019 (boat purchased April 2000)	77,860	77,860
Additions	-	-
Disposals		
31 March 2020	77,860	77,860
Depreciation		
1 April 2019	(76,403)	(76,403)
Charge for the year	(1,457)	(1,457)
Disposals	<u> </u>	
31 March 2020	(77,860)	(77,860)
Net book value		
31 March 2020		-

All fixed assets have been used for the charitable activities of the charity.

# Notes to the Accounts (continued)

### 6 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020	2019
	£	£
Salary and skipper expenses payable	0	0
Other creditors	1,645	3,630
Accrued 19/20 Grant Income	14,765	21,255
	16,410	24,885

Accrued 19/20 Grant Income includes Donations received in 19/20 in respect of 20/21 projects which total £2,605.

#### 7 Funds

	Balance 1 April 2019 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfer of Funds	Balance 31 March 2020 £
Unrestricted					
Designated	38,506	-	-	-	38,506
Working capital	8,092	5,962	-	(1,457)	12,597
fund					
General fund	-	49,209	(49,209)	-	-
Total unrestricted	46,598	55,171	(49,209)	(1,457)	51,103
Restricted					
New Boat Fund	76,403			1,457	77,860
<b>Total Restricted</b>	76,403			1,457	77,860
Total funds	123,001	55,171	(49,209)		128,963

The designated fund is to cover future capital projects and refurbishment in addition to any major boat repair, and running costs of the charity should income levels reduce in order that appropriate action could be taken. The new boat fund is to cover the reduction in value of the existing boat since purchase.

# Notes to the Accounts (continued)

### 8 Grants, Donations and Friends

	2019/20			
Grants	£	£	£	£
	Rec'd in	B/F ex	C/F to	Utilised in
	Year	18/19	20/21	Year
Children in Need	10,000	6,350	-8,325	8,025
Kusuma Trust	-	7,500	-	7,500
Newby Trust	-	3,000	-	3,000
Groundwork	900	2,700	-2,160	1,440
Cripplegate	-	975	-725	250
Camden Giving	1,970	730	-950	1,750
John Murray Trust	5,000	-	-	5,000
Solace	1,845	-	-1,845	-
Bowe	760	<u>-</u> _	-760	
Total	20,475	21,255	-14,765	26,965
<b>Donations and Friends</b>				
Donations of £500 and more:				
J Douglas	5,000			
David Wadham	1,000			
Arlington Association	800			
Tim Miller	600			
Colette Bowe	600			
Gift Aid tax refunds	526			
Angel Association	500			
Other Friends subscriptions and donations:	4,393			
Total	13,419			

# **Independent Examiner's Report**

# Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Angel Community Canal Boat Trust ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2020.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- the accounts 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 accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Name: Alistair Milliken

Relevant professional qualification or body: Chartered Accountant

Address: 34 Elwill Way, Beckenham, Kent BR3 3AD

Date: 30 June 20

# **Summary of Log 2019/20**

Number of Bookings:-		Ethnic Monitoring (% of Users):	-
Day trips	31	White UK	52%
Part days	16	Black (Caribbean, African, British	າ
3-Day trips	15	& Other)	21%
5-Day trips	4	Asian	12%
Evenings	4	European	5%
Canal museum trips	11	Others (Inc. Greek, Turkish, Mid	dle
Other	_2	East)	5%
Total:-	83	Not stated	5%

# **Types of Trips:-**

J F F			
Schools	17	Total number of passengers carried	
BAME groups	5	_	1201
Youth Clubs/Playgrounds	11		
Guides and scouts	11	Total number of adults (18+)	437
Mental Health related	7	Total number of under 18s	764
Private	14		



## List of Hirers 2019/20

### Schools, including:

Hanover Primary Northbridge House

Northgate

St Paul's Steiner

Sir William Burroughs

Stormont House

The Gower

Whitefield

### Youth Clubs, including:

Bethwin Road A.P.G. Cornwallis APG Islington Boat Club King Henrys A.P.G. Leaside Trust Rose Bowl Three Corners APG

### Community, including:

Age U.K. Camden Age U.K. Islington Angel Canal Festival

Bengali Women's Association

**CCNA** 

Dragon Hall

Freedom from Torture

Hopscotch Asian Women's Centre

Kosmos Centre

King's Cross Brunswick

Neighbourhood Association

London Canal Museum

Maiden Lane Community Centre Millman Street Community Centre

Pack-up Club Think Forward Upper Deckers

## Scouts/guides:

Waterside A.P.G.

9th Chadwell Heath Guides

5<sup>th</sup> Chingford Guides

1st Clerkenwell Guides

2<sup>nd</sup> East London Scouts

8<sup>th</sup> Hampstead Cubs

12th Hampstead Scouts

4/5<sup>th</sup> Tollington Brownies, Guides and

Rangers

1st Wateringbury Guides

Private and corporate hirers are not listed

## Supporters and Funders 2019/20

Thank you to everyone who has supported us, whether through volunteering, making donations, providing grants or being our 100 Club members. This has enabled us to provide much needed services to people in our community.

A special thanks also to:

- Bill Thomas and PTE Architects
- Angel Association
- Arlington Association
- Aviva Community Fund initiative
- Camden Giving
- Children in Need
- Islington Local Initiative Fund
- London Borough of Islington
- Tesco 'Bags for Life'
- Waitrose





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And all the Friends of Angel II of Islington



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