Group Strategic Report, Report of the Directors and

Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

<u>for</u>

National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited

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Company Information for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

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M G McTague
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REGISTERED NUMBER:

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Group Strategic Report for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

The directors present their strategic report of the company and the group for the year ended 30 September 2021.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The principal activity of the National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited (the Federation) continues to be that of the promotion and furtherance of the interests of persons who are self-employed, direct or control small businesses, and the provision of a national voice and platform for such persons.

The results for the group (FSB) show a surplus for the financial year of £1.7m (2020: surplus £0.7m). This is after accounting for an unrealised gain of £0.45m resulting from an increase in the carrying value of investments (2020: unrealised gain of £0.06m). Income from subscriptions and joining fees, which provided 97% of the group's income (2020: 97%) amounted to £25.9m (2020: £26.1m). General reserves increased to £18.3m (2020: £16.6m) and the net cash inflow from operating activities was £1.6m (2020: £1.0m).

The consolidated financial statements include the results of its three subsidiary companies; FSB Publications Limited, the principal activity of which is the publication of First Voice magazine, F.S.B. (Member Services) Limited, which arranges additional benefits on behalf of FSB members and FSB Recruitment Limited, which provides recruitment services for FSB.

FSB is organised across the UK through geographical areas in the devolved nations and English regions. As well as UK-wide events and campaigns, local events and campaigns are delivered throughout these regions and nations to engage with members and create a real small business community.

Throughout the year, FSB also publishes First Voice magazine and policy reports and digital content that raises awareness of issues that affect small businesses and the self-employed to a range of key audiences. This is founded on robust research of its members' opinions and experiences, and often results in successfully influencing Government policy.

A crucial aim of FSB's campaigns is to engage with policy-makers as well as delivering marketing campaigns to drive the business forward. Over the last financial year, FSB campaigned on numerous important issues that affect its members, not least ensuring that government support continued for as many members as possible that were affected by the national coronavirus pandemic.

FSB ran the Recovery Ready campaign in August and September 2021. Recovery Ready was about highlighting everything FSB had done to support small businesses and the self-employed throughout the pandemic and to show that when other support came to an end, FSB would still be there, supporting small business and the self-employed with our events, networking, benefits and lobbying, and this campaign ensured that our members were recovery ready.

FSB Scotland delivered a Scottish Parliament election campaign from December 2020, with the publication of the manifesto, up until elections day in May 2021. The campaign aimed to ensure that small business issues were at the centre of public policy debate. As Scotland's leading voice for small businesses, FSB was obliged to quickly step into action to protect Scotland's independent and local business community which was hit hard by the coronavirus pandemic. To give these businesses the best chance of recovery, FSB Scotland had to ensure decision-makers at Holyrood considered their interests at every turn. FSB Scotland met with key-decision makers across Scotland's political spectrum. In parallel, FSB produced a short digital manifesto: From Recovery to Prosperity. The campaign included media relations work, online interviews with the party leaders discussing FSB Scotland's key policy proposals and a personalised e-mailshot to all mainstream candidates, with tailored information about small businesses in the area they stood in, alongside social media cards for candidates to signal their support for small business recovery.

FSB Northern Ireland delivered the Festive Fortnight campaign in December 2020. This campaign was sensitively managed in the run up to Christmas, to encourage people to continue to support small, independent businesses. This campaign had to be particularly nimble given sensitivity around lockdown restrictions and an increasingly uncertain landscape. All Northern Ireland political parties backed the campaign, and it received significant coverage across Northern Ireland print and broadcast media.

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FSB Northern Ireland collaborated with Ulster University Business School to deliver the Back to the Start-up campaign in March 2021. The campaign aimed to change the mindset in Northern Ireland, enabling a greater entrepreneurial culture, to overturn traditionally poor rates of business births. Coverage was achieved across Northern Ireland's business press, and an interview was broadcast on flagship radio programme 'Inside Business'. FSB's marketing team also contributed by creating a campaign page and graphics to be used on social. Following the initial launch, the campaign has now progressed to the next stage with FSB and Ulster University Business School continuing to work with stakeholders, with a view to providing a practical offering to increase the rate of business start-ups in Northern Ireland.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The responsibility for risk management and the internal control environment resides with the Board of Directors. FSB has a senior management team, subsidiary companies and various committees reporting to the Board of Directors, that control and manage various activities, identifying on an on-going basis any potential risks faced by the organisation and proposing solutions to mitigate these.

The list below includes the principal risks that may impact the company achieving its strategic objectives. The list does not include all of the risks faced by the company, nor does it list the risks in order of priority.

STRATEGY

FSB's purpose is to help smaller businesses survive through these difficult times and ultimately achieve their ambitions. The group's vision is to be recognised as the most influential and trusted organisation representing the voice of all small businesses, in every region and nation of the UK. FSB's strategy is to continue to pursue the corporate objectives (to be fully representative of the whole UK small business community, to provide support, advice and practical solutions to our community of members, to advocate on behalf of small businesses and the self-employed, providing a powerful voice heard by Governments and key decision makers, and to create a financial climate which ensures best value for members and safeguards FSB for the future).

FSB takes seriously all issues with regard to recycling and the environment. Within the organisation there is an active preference towards recycling wherever possible and minimising any impact on the environment. Internally there has been a move to reduce the use of paper and aim for a paperless office environment, together with investment in virtual meeting technology to reduce overall travel requirements. Communications with members, including membership renewal and publications, are also now being distributed digitally. FSB is aiming to increase digital consumption of its First Voice magazine content whilst reducing print circulation. We also look towards best practise in terms of refurbishment projects on our property, and adopting energy saving options wherever possible.

The organisation's strategy for growth is underpinned by excellence in representation and service, and ongoing development of relevant products and services to enhance the experience of members, improve retention levels and attract growing numbers of new members.

BUSINESS INTERRUPTION AS A RESULT OF COVID-19

Business disruption due to the COVID-19 pandemic has provided the group with a present and future risk to consider. The group has taken steps to ensure the safety of its employees and stakeholders, and to ensure that it remains able to operate efficiently and effectively. The directors have assessed the potential impact on income and costs of a range of possible scenarios relating to the evolving Covid-19 situation. The directors have developed business plans to address this risk, which will continue to be monitored closely. It is their opinion that the group is sufficiently resilient to prosper through this difficult period.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

The company operates in a competitive industry, and its ability to attract and retain members may be impacted by economic conditions, business confidence and the behaviour of competitors. The Board of Directors reviews performance and ensures that management is focused on key priorities to mitigate this risk, including enhancing the range of services offered to members, maintaining excellence in service and ensuring prices are competitive.

BRAND AND REPUTATION

The organisation is non-political, engaged in representing and promoting the interests of its members. Failure to meet the expectations of members may impact on the brand and reputation and member loyalty. The Board of Directors determine that procedures are in place to ensure that its non-political position and service level expectations are not compromised.

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TREASURY MEASUREMENT

The group has £21.9m cash and £4.4m investment balances as at 30 September 2021 and changes in investment conditions may expose the company to risks of poor returns. The company invests its funds for a combination of liquidity and returns, ensuring that cash is deposited on varying terms and with various financial institutions, and that investments are made into mixed portfolios with long term rather than short term growth aims.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The directors consider the surplus or deficit on ordinary activities before taxation to be the main financial KPI for the business, and monitor a range of non-financial KPIs, the principal ones being as follows:

- Membership numbers
- New member numbers
- Member retention

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

M H Cherry OBE

Director

Date: 8TH DECEMBER 2021

Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company and the group for the year ended 30 September 2021.

DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 October 2020 to the date of this report.

M H Cherry M G McTague P B C Davys G Lovatt A L Lay M D Ulyatt S J T Askew T Lockwood

Other changes in directors holding office are as follows:

I D O'Donnell – resigned 15.03.21 O A Odeniyi – appointed 07.04.21 A North – appointed 07.04.21 M E McKenzie – appointed 07.04.21

QUALIFYING THIRD PARTY INDEMNITY PROVISIONS

The company has in place professional indemnity and management liability insurance which covers the directors during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Board of Directors continues to progress a programme of modernisation to enable the group to continue to provide excellent representation and service to members from the whole UK smaller business community. This programme involves continuous improvement in all areas of the group's operations, including enhancements to services offered and developments in communication.

EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT

The group has continued its practice of keeping employees informed of matters affecting them as employees and the financial and economic factors affecting the performance of the group. This is achieved through departmental meetings and presentations to all employees.

Applications for employment by disabled persons are given full and fair consideration for all vacancies in accordance with their particular aptitudes and abilities. In the event of employees becoming disabled, every effort is made to retain them in order that the employment with the group may continue.

It is the policy of the group that training, career development and promotion opportunities should be available to all employees.

Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Group Strategic Report, the Report of the Directors and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. 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 the group and of the surplus or deficit of the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's and the group's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and the group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the group's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the group's auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Haines Watts, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

M H Cherry OBE

Director

Date: 8TH DECEMBER 2021

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of

National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 30 September 2021 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, Consolidated Balance Sheet, Company Balance Sheet, Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, Company Statement of Changes in Equity, Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and Notes to the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company affairs as at 30 September 2021 and of the group's surplus for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate, or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, not all future events or conditions can be predicted. The COVID-19 viral pandemic is one of the most significant economic events for the UK with unprecedented levels of uncertainty of outcomes. It is therefore difficult to evaluate all of the potential implications on the company's trade, customers, suppliers and wider economy. The Directors' view on the impact of COVID-19 is disclosed in the Group Strategic Report.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information in the Group Strategic Report and the Report of the Directors, but does not include the financial statements and our Report of the Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Group Strategic Report and the Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Group Strategic Report and the Report of the Directors have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Group Strategic Report or the Report of the Directors.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page six, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the group or the parent company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the group's financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on the operations of the group. We determined that the most significant laws and regulations included, but were not limited to, United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, Companies Act 2006, distributable profits legislation and tax legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statements items. Our tests including agreeing the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation, enquiries with management and review of correspondence with external legal advisors.

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of

National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited

We assessed the susceptibility of the group's financial statements to material misstatement including how fraud might occur. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Identifying and assessing the design effectiveness of controls management has in place to prevent and detect fraud;
- Inquiring of management and those charged with governance about any known actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
- Understanding how those charged with governance considered and addressed the potential for override of controls or other inappropriate influence over the financial reporting process;
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates; and
- Identifying and testing journal entries, in particular any journal entries with unusual characteristics or posted by senior management.

Our audit did not identify any significant matters relating to the detection of irregularities including fraud. However, despite the audit being planned and conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) there remains an unavoidable risk that material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected owing to inherent limitations of the audit, and that by their very nature, any such instances of fraud or irregularity likely involve collusion, forgery, intentional misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Auditors.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in a Report of the Auditors and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Mr Michael Forshaw (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Haines Watts

Statutory Auditor

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Date:

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

•	Notes	30.9.21 £	30.9.20 £
TURNOVER		25,859,398	26,104,478
Cost of sales		2,376,637	2,567,819
GROSS SURPLUS		23,482,761	23,536,659
Administrative expenses	•	22,986,554	23,895,246
		496,207	(358,587)
Other operating income		710,335	785,757
OPERATING SURPLUS	4	1,206,542	427,170
Unrealised gain on investment	5	451,029	64,752
		1,657,571	491,922
Interest receivable and similar income	e	78,673	155,840
SURPLUS BEFORE TAXATION		1,736,244	647,762
Tax on surplus	6	(10,593)	97,006
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL	YEAR	1,725,651	744,768
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCO	OME	-	
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOFOR THE YEAR	ОМЕ	1,725,651	744,768
Surplus attributable to: Owners of the parent		1,725,651	744,768
Total comprehensive income attributa Owners of the parent	ble to:	<u>1,725,651</u>	744,768

Consolidated Balance Sheet

30 September 2021

	30.9.21		30.9.21		.20
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible assets	8		-		16,636
Tangible assets	9		5,040,994		4,745,398
Investments	10		•		•
			5,040,994		4,762,034
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	1,045,246		956,936	
Investments	12	4,382,216		3,931,187	
Cash at bank		21,891,465		20,760,130	
		27,318,927	•	25,648,253	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	13,777,832		13,639,545	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			13,541,095		12,008,708
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES			18,582,089		16,770,742
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	16		262,621		176,925
I ROVISIONS FOR EIABILITIES	10		202,021		170,923
NET ASSETS			18,319,468		16,593,817
RESERVES					
Profit and loss account	17		18,319,468		16,593,817
			10 210 469		16 502 917
			18,319,468		16,593,817

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on &TH DECEMBER 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

M H Cherry OBE

Director

National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited (Registered number: 01263540)

Company Balance Sheet 30 September 2021

		30.9.21		30.9.20	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible assets	8		-		16,636
Tangible assets	9		5,040,994		4,744,031
Investments	10		2,101		2,101
			5,043,095		4,762,768
CURRENT ASSETS		•			
Debtors	11	3,395,992	•	3,083,088	
Investments	12	4,382,216		3,931,187	
Cash at bank		21,605,553		20,457,672	
CD TD TTO DO		29,383,761		27,471,947	
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	13	16,134,375		15,719,481	
Amounts faming due within one year	15	10,134,575			
NET CURRENT ASSETS			13,249,386		11,752,466
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			18,292,481		16,515,234
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	16		262,621		176,925
TROVISIONS FOR EMBLETTES	10				1,0,723
NET ASSETS			18,029,860		16,338,309
RESERVES					
Profit and loss account	17		18,029,860		16,338,309
			18,029,860		16,338,309
					
Company's profit for the financial year			1,691,551		729,172

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on STH. DECEMBER. 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

M H Cherry OBE

Director

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

	Retained earnings	Total equity £
Balance at 1 October 2019	15,849,049	15,849,049
Changes in equity Total comprehensive income Balance at 30 September 2020	744,768 16,593,817	744,768 16,593,817
Changes in equity Total comprehensive income Balance at 30 September 2021	1,725,651 18,319,468	1,725,651 18,319,468

Company Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

Retained earnings	Total equity £
15,609,137	15,609,137
729,172	729,172
16,338,309	16,338,309
1.691.551	1,691,551
	18,029,860
	earnings £ 15,609,137 729,172

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

N	otes		30.9.21 ₤	30.9.20 £
Cash flows from operating activities			•	
Cash generated from operations	1		1,566,053	1,010,586
Tax received		•	60,405	22,863
Net cash from operating activities			1,626,458	1,033,449
Cash flows from investing activities Purchase of intangible fixed assets			_	_
Purchase of intaligible fixed assets			(574,666)	(120,788)
Sale of tangible fixed assets			870	-
Interest received			78,673	155,840
Net cash from investing activities			(495,123)	35,052
Increase in cash and cash equivalents			1,131,335	1,068,501
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	2 .		20,760,130	19,691,629
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Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	2		21,891,465	20,760,130

Notes to the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

1. RECONCILIATION OF SURPLUS BEFORE TAXATION TO CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS

OLEKATIONS	30.9.21	30.9.20
	£	£
Surplus- before taxation	1,736,244	647,762
Depreciation charges	278,201	334,878
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	-	-
Amortisation charges	16,638	24,161
Unrealised gain on investment	(451,029)	(64,752)
Finance income	<u>(78,673)</u>	(155,840)
	1,501,381	786,209
Decrease in trade and other debtors	1,050	185,915
Increase in trade and other creditors	63,622	38,462
Cash generated from operations	1,566,053	1,010,586

2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The amounts disclosed on the Cash Flow Statement in respect of cash and cash equivalents are in respect of these Balance Sheet amounts:

Year ended 30 September 2021

	30.9.21 £	1.10.20 £
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>21,891,465</u>	20,760,130
Year ended 30 September 2020		
	30.9.20	1.10.19
	£	£
Cash and cash equivalents	20,760,130	19,691,629

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The company is a private company limited by guarantee without share capital (Co No 01263540) and is incorporated in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Sir Frank Whittle Way, Blackpool Business Park, Blackpool, Lancashire, FY4 2FE.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts of the subsidiaries FSB Publications Limited, F.S.B. (Member Services) Limited and FSB Recruitment Limited have been prepared on a going concern basis. This has only been possible as a result of the Federation's continued contractual arrangements with these businesses.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the group. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest \pounds .

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements of the Federation (which include Federation offices, regions and committees) include the financial statements of FSB Publications Limited, F.S.B. (Member Services) Limited and FSB Recruitment Limited, all being 100% owned subsidiaries of the Federation.

Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

There are no key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Turnover

Turnover comprises membership subscriptions.

Membership subscriptions, on receipt, are deferred and released to income over the period to which the membership relates.

Other operating income

Other operating income relates to commissions received from service providers which are recognised in the period in which they are earned.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income using the effective interest method.

Intangible fixed assets

Geographical Recruitment Areas acquired by FSB Recruitment Limited have been amortised over their expected useful economic lives as determined by the Directors. The useful economic lives of the Areas will vary depending upon a number of factors including location and size. The Areas are amortised on a straight line basis over periods of between three and six years.

Intangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation. Amortisation is provided at rates calculated using the straight-line method, to write off the cost of the fixed assets over their expected useful lives.

Goodwill Computer software

3 - 6 years Straight line basis 3 years Straight line basis

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets over their expected useful lives.

Freehold and long leasehold buildings	50 years	Straight line basis
Motor vehicles	4 years	Straight line basis
Fixtures, fittings and office equipment	5 years	Straight line basis
Computer equipment	3 years	Straight line basis

Investments

The company has investments, in discretionary managed portfolio funds, and as these are considered by the directors to be readily convertible into cash in the short term, they are held under current assets in the financial statements.

The unrealised gains and losses on these investments are included in the consolidated income statement.

Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 12 months.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial instruments

The group only enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors.

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The group operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the group's pension scheme are charged to profit or loss in the period to which they relate.

Operating leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases, where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor, are charged against profit on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Going concern

The Directors have reviewed and considered relevant information, including the annual budget and future cash flows for the group in making their assessment. In particular, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Directors have tested their group cash flow analysis to take into account the impact on their business of possible scenarios brought on by the impact of COVID-19, alongside the measures that they can take to mitigate the impact. Based on these assessments, given the measures that could be undertaken to mitigate the current adverse conditions, and the current resources available, the Directors have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

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3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

Staff costs, excluding directors' remuneration, were as follows:

Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	30.9.21 £ 8,715,348 899,978 479,640	30.9.20 £ 8,605,646 882,048 492,222
	10,094,966	9,979,916
The average monthly number of employees excluding directors during the year	was as follows:	
	30.9.21	30.9.20
Head office Press and parliamentary offices Regions Recruitment Member Services	55 41 56 54 7 ——————————————————————————————————	53 43 58 50 7 ——————————————————————————————————
Directors' remuneration	30.9.21 £ 312,171	30.9.20 £ 317,631
Information regarding the highest paid director is as follows:	30.9.21 £	30.9.20
Emoluments etc.	65,000	£ 65,000

No retirement benefits were accruing for directors (2020 - nil) in respect of defined contribution pension schemes.

All directors and certain senior employees who have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the group are considered to be key management personnel. Total remuneration in respect of these individuals is £1,851,139 (2020 – £1,829,026).

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4. **OPERATING SURPLUS**

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The operating surplus (2020 - operating surplus) is stated after charging:

	Depreciation – owned assets Profit on disposal of fixed assets Computer software amortisation Auditors' remuneration – company Auditors' remuneration – subsidiaries Non-audit services – other services	30.9.21 £ 278,201 - 16,638 24,865 14,891 819	30.9.20 £ 334,879 - 24,161 18,933 11,643 45,351
5.	GAIN ON INVESTMENTS	30.9.21	30.9.20
	Unrealised gain on investment	£ 451,029	£ 64,752
6.	TAXATION		
	Analysis of the tax charge The tax charge on the surplus for the year was as follows:	30.9.21 ₤	30.9.20 £
	Current tax: UK corporation tax	14,948	34,289
	R&D tax reclaim	(90,051)	(143,598)
	Deferred tax	85,696	12,303
	Tax on surplus	10,593	(97,006)

UK corporation tax was charged at 19% in 2021 (2020 - 19%).

The company is taxable on interest received in the year. The company received interest of £78,673 (2020 - £155,840).

7. INDIVIDUAL STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

As permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006, the Income Statement of the parent company is not presented as part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

8. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group			C	
		Goodwill £	Computer software £	Totals £
COST At 1 October 2020 Additions Disposals		3,013,504	888,543 - 	3,902,047 - -
At 30 September 2021		3,013,504	888,543	3,902,047
AMORTISATION At 1 October 2020 Amortisation for year Eliminated on disposal	• .	3,013,504	871,905 16,638	3,885,409 16,638
At 30 September 2021		3,013,504	888,543	3,902,047
NET BOOK VALUE At 30 September 2021		-	<u> </u>	-
At 30 September 2020			16,636	16,636
Company				Computer software
COST At 1 October 2020 Additions Disposals				731,410
At 30 September 2021				731,410
AMORTISATION At 1 October 2020 Amortisation for year Eliminated on disposal				714,772 16,638
At 30 September 2021				731,410
NET BOOK VALUE At 30 September 2021				-
At 30 September 2020				16,636

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group

Group					
,	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment	Totals £
COST At 1 October 2020 Additions Disposals	6,685,430 483,999	1,071,781 - -	29,339 - -	842,638 90,667 (148,609)	8,629,188 574,666 (148,609)
At 30 September 2021	7,169,429	1,071,781	29,339	784,696	9,055,245
DEPRECIATION At 1 October 2020 Charge for year Eliminated on disposal	2,146,858 137,424	1,049,315 14,174	. 22,574 . 3,603	665,042 123,000 (147,739)	3,883,789 278,201 (147,739)
At 30 September 2021	2,284,282	1,063,489	26,177	640,303	4,014,251
NET BOOK VALUE At 30 September 2021	4,885,147	8,292	3,162	144,393	5,040,994
At 30 September 2020	4,538,573	22,463	6,766	<u>177,596</u>	4,745,398
Company		Firstunes			
Company	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST At 1 October 2020 Additions Disposals	property	and fittings	vehicles	equipment	
COST At 1 October 2020 Additions	property £ 6,685,430	and fittings £	vehicles £	equipment £ 838,019 90,667	£ 8,602,648 574,666
COST At 1 October 2020 Additions Disposals	property £ 6,685,430 483,999	and fittings £ 1,049,860	vehicles £ 29,339	equipment £ 838,019 90,667 (148,609)	£ 8,602,648 574,666 (148,609)
COST At 1 October 2020 Additions Disposals At 30 September 2021 DEPRECIATION At 1 October 2020 Charge for year	property £ 6,685,430 483,999 7,169,429 2,146,858	and fittings £ 1,049,860 1,049,860 1,028,764	vehicles £ 29,339 29,339 22,574	equipment £ 838,019 90,667 (148,609) 780,077	\$,602,648 574,666 (148,609) 9,028,705 3,858,619 276,831
COST At 1 October 2020 Additions Disposals At 30 September 2021 DEPRECIATION At 1 October 2020 Charge for year Eliminated on disposal	property £ 6,685,430 483,999 7,169,429 2,146,858 137,424	and fittings £ 1,049,860	vehicles £ 29,339 29,339 22,574 3,603	equipment £ 838,019 90,667 (148,609) 780,077 660,423 123,000 (147,739)	\$,602,648 574,666 (148,609) 9,028,705 3,858,619 276,831 (147,739)

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements – continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Group

On 21 December 2017, F.S.B. (Member Services) Limited acquired 30% of the share capital in FSB Insurance Service Limited (formerly Ruskin Square Limited), a company incorporated within England and Wales. Its registered office is 20 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3AZ. The transaction acquired 100% of the B Ordinary shares.

Associate undertakings

The following is an associate of the company. The aggregate of the share capital and reserves and loss for the year has been taken at 31 December 2020.

	Ownership	Aggregate capital and reserves	Profit/ (loss) for the year	Activity
FSB Insurance Services Limited	30%	290,499	(172,018)	Insurance services

Due to a non-recourse nature in the arrangement within the joint venture, the group does not take its share of FSB Insurance Service Limited's results into the group's accounts unless the Associate has positive reserves, excluding deferred share capital. As at 31st December 2020, FSB Insurance Service Limited had aggregate capital and reserves of £290,499 which consisted of ordinary share capital of £1, deferred share capital of £1,850,000 and accumulated retained losses of (£1,559,502).

COST	Unlisted investments
At 1 October 2020 and 30 September 2021	<u>2,101</u>
NET BOOK VALUE At 30 September 2021	2,101
'At 30 September 2020	<u>2,101</u>

	Aggregate capital and	Profit/(Loss)	A satisfies
	reserves	for the year	Activity
FSB Publications Limited	1,212	-	Publication of magazine
F.S.B. (Member Services) Limited	22,469	-	Arrange member benefits
FSB Recruitment Limited	267,925	34,097	Recruitment
FSB Gold Club Limited	100	-	Dormant
Federation of Small Businesses Limited	-	-	Dormant
Real Life Entrepreneur Limited	1	-	Dormant
Keep Trade Local Ltd	1	-	Dormant
FSB Sales Ltd	1	-	Dormant

All subsidiaries are wholly owned and incorporated within England and Wales. All subsidiaries are registered at Sir Frank Whittle Way, Blackpool Business Park, Blackpool, Lancashire, FY4 2FE.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Group		Con	npany
,	30.9.21	30.9.20	30.9.21	30.9.20
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	139,261	34,254	23,453	1,550
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	2,904,536	2,612,866
Other debtors	7,461	5,728	7,461	5,728
VAT	-	-	1,804	10,721
Accrued income	199,273	284,013	21,980	25,547
Prepayments	699,251	632,941	436,758	426,676
	1,045,246	956,936	3,395,992	3,083,088

Amounts owed by group undertakings are repayable on demand and attract no interest.

12. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS ·

	G	Group		Company	
•	30.9.21	30.9.20	30.9.21	30.9.20	
	£	£	£	£	
Listed investments	4,382,216	3,931,187	4,382,216	3,931,187	

Market value of listed investments at 30 September 2021 held by the group and the company - £4,382,216.

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Group		Co	mpany
	30.9.21	30.9.20	30.9.21	30.9.20
	£	£	£	£
Trade creditors	269,124	153,520	167,450	147,068
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-		3,172,215	2,808,373
Social security and other taxes	268,359	249,144	268,359	249,144
VAT	24,497	15,160	-	-
Other creditors	4,794	· 51,637	4,794	51,637
Accrued expenses	1,652,071	1,528,013	962,570	821,188
Prepaid subscriptions	11,558,987	11,642,071	11,558,987	11,642,071
	13,777,832	13,639,545	16,134,375	15,719,481

Amounts owed to group undertakings are repayable on demand and attract no interest.

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14. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments fall due as follows:

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·	Non-cancellable operating leases 30.9.21 30.9.20	
•		
	£	£
Within one year	16,391	5,185
Between one and five years	53,272	-
	<u>69,663</u>	5,185
Company	New semantic	.hla anamatina
		able operating
	30.9.21	30.9.20
Wishing	£	£
Within one year	16,391	5,185
Between one and five years	53,272	-
·	69,663	5,185

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15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Group Financial Instruments

Time mainly accepts	2021 £	2020 £
Financial assets Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	26,619,676	25,015,312
	26,619,676	25,015,312
Financial liabilities	12 494 077	12 275 241
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	13,484,976	13,375,241
	13,484,976	13,375,241
Company Financial Instruments		
Financial assets	2021 £	2020 £
Financial assets Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	28,947,003	27,045,271
	28,947,003	27,045,271
Financial liabilities Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	15,866,016	15,470,337
	15,866,016	15,470,337

Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost comprise all current debtors (other than prepayments), cash at bank and in hand and deposits with financial institutions and investments.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost comprise all of the current liabilities other than tax liabilities.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

16. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES

	Gro 30.9.21	oup 30.9.20	Com 30.9.21	pany 30.9.20
Deferred tax	£	£	£	£
Other timing differences	262,621	176,925	262,621	176,925
Group				Deferred tax £
At 1 October 2020				176,925
On unrealised investment gains charged to profi	it and loss accour	nt		<u>85,696</u>
Balance at 30 September 2021				262,621
Company				Deferred
				tax
At 1 October 2020				£ 176,925
On unrealised investment gains charged to profi	it and loss accour	nt		<u>85,696</u>
Balance at 30 September 2021			•	262,621
RESERVES				
Group				Profit
				and loss account
				£
At 1 October 2020				16,593,817
Surplus for the year				1,725,651
At 30 September 2021			=	18,319,468

Profit and loss account

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Includes all current and prior period retained profits and losses.

18. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited operates a defined contribution scheme on behalf of its employees. The scheme is held in a separately administered fund independent from the group. Contributions in the year amounted to £479,640 (2020 - £492,222). There were NIL contributions outstanding at 30 September 2021 (2020 - NIL).

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

19. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	30.9.21	30.9.20
	£	£
Contracted but not provided for in the financial statements	<u>8,598</u>	9,977

20. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The company has taken advantage of exemption, under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', not to disclose related party transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries within the group.

Transactions between group entities which have been eliminated on consolidation are not disclosed within the financial statements.

At the year end, F.S.B. (Member Services) Limited was owed NIL (2020 - NIL) by FSB Insurance Service Limited.

During the year, the Directors paid membership subscriptions totalling £2,277 (2020 - £2,130) to the National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited. They also received remuneration which is detailed in note 22.

21. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited is a company limited by guarantee. The company is controlled by the Board of Directors.

22. DIRECTORS HONORARIA

The following is a list of honoraria paid to directors for their term of office during the year:

Director	Honoraria £	Position
Cherry, Michael	65,000	National Chairman
McTague, Martin	50,000	NVC Policy & Advocacy
Ulyatt, Melanie	45,000	NVC Internal Affairs
O'Donnell, Ian	8,262	Director to 15,03.21
Lay, Alexis	18,000	Director
Lovatt, Gary	18,000	Director
Davys, Peter	18,000	Director
Lockwood, Terence	18,000	Director
Askew, Stephen	18,000	Director
Odeniyi, Olu	8,746	Director from 07.04.21
North, Alison	8,746	Director from 07.04.21
Mc Kenzie, Martina	8,746	Director from 07.04.21

23. MEMBERS LIABILITY

Every member of the Federation undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Federation, in the event of the same being wound up while he is a member, or within one year after he ceased to be a member, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Federation contracted before he ceased to be a member, and the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves such amount as may be required not exceeding £1.