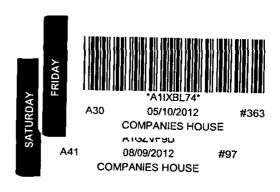
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COMPANY NO. 01352502

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31^{ST} MARCH 2012



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31ST MARCH 2012

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates which are reasonable and prudent
- 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 proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to 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 hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors have taken steps that they ought to have taken as directors to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information. The directors confirm that there is no relevant information that they know of and which the auditors are unaware of

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DIRECTORS' REPORT 2011/2012

Directors

Lesley Bessant, Sebert Cox, Julie Dent, Michael Fisher, Susan Fox, Stanley Hardy, Tansi Harper, Alan Harrison, Johan Kuipers, Gillian Lewis, Mark Ormerod, William Puddicombe, Richard Rhodes and Robin Verso

Secretary

Christine Lawrie and Joanne Whyte

The directors shown above served throughout the year except Gillian Lewis, Mark Ormerod and Robin Verso who joined during the year on 29 September 2011, 18 October 2011 and 29 September 2011 respectively and Lesley Bessant, Julie Dent, Tansi Harper, Joe Kuipers and Stanley Hardy who resigned on 29 September 2011 and William Puddicombe who resigned on 20 July 2011 Christine Lawrie served as Company Secretary until 19 May 2011 when she was replaced by Joanne Whyte

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2012

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FINANCIAL POSITION

The members of the company are probation trusts in England and Wales and any other organisation or individual co-opted as a member Currently, the Probation Board for Northern Ireland and the National Approved Premises Association are co-opted members. All members are represented on the Council of the Association Members, other than co-opted members, are allocated to one of three membership tier groups small, medium and large. The representatives of two probation trusts in each tier group are elected by the membership to act as directors of the company and are appointed by members at the annual general meeting following the election or at a meeting of the Council Members also elect the chairman of the company. Sebert Cox has served as chairman throughout the year, presiding over Board meetings and Council meetings. His term of office ends at the Annual General Meeting in September 2013.

The company is the employer's organisation working with and on behalf of probation trusts. It is the collective national voice, shaping and influencing opinion, policy and practice and promoting the work of probation services in the delivery of justice and community safety. It provides support to trusts to achieve the best in local governance, employment practice, commissioning and service delivery. Key priorities for the year have been to deliver the employers' pay strategy, to achieve an operating environment for trusts which trusts consider meets their needs, to achieve demonstrable influence on public policy and to deliver services which members confirm meet their requirements. Further details of the year's activities can be found in the company's Annual Report, published separately

The Board met on ten occasions during the year and directors' attendance is listed at Appendix A Meetings of the Council were held in June, September, November and March The Annual General Meeting was held on 15 September 2011

Income and Expenditure

The company's subscription income for the year was £1,126,653 This level of subscription income, together with interest receipts of £20,565 from bank deposits, amounted to £1,147,218 This was more than gross expenditure of £1,072,167 resulting in a surplus on ordinary activities before tax and

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DIRECTORS' REPORT 2011/2012 (continued)

interest payable for the year of £75,052 The deficit after deducting tax and interest payable of £118,113 is thus £43,062 and this sum has been deducted from reserves

The company has adopted Financial Reporting Standard 17 'Retirement Benefits' in full incorporation of this results in a decrease in the surplus for the financial year of £128,000 (2011 £131,000, surplus decrease) and an actuarial loss for the year of £558,000 (2011 £10,000 loss)

The Board receives an income and expenditure report at each meeting Under companies' legislation, the company must satisfy itself that it is in a position, at any given time, to meet financial commitments and administrative obligations and reserves are thus maintained for this purpose

Audit, Quality Assurance and Risk Committee

The Audit, Quality Assurance and Risk Committee advises the Board on financial management, business risks and quality issues. The following directors served during the year. Stan Hardy, Tansi Harper, Alan Harrison, Gillian Lewis, Bill Puddicombe, Richard Rhodes and Robin Verso, with Stan Hardy and then Robin Verso serving as chairman Bill Puddicombe resigned in July 2011 and Stan Hardy and Tansi Harper resigned in September 2011 Gillian Lewis, Richard Rhodes and Robin Verso joined the Committee in September 2011

RSM Tenon of Chapel House, Westmead Drive, Westlea, Swindon SN5 7UN, were appointed as auditors for the financial year 2011/12 at the Annual General Meeting in September 2011 The accounts for 2011/2012 will be considered by the board of directors in July 2012 and presented to the AGM in September 2012

Statement as to Disclosure of Information to Auditors

The directors who were in office on the date of approval of these financial statements have confirmed, as far as they are aware, that there is no relevant audit information of which the auditors are unaware Each of the directors have confirmed that they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that it has been communicated to the auditor

Small Company Provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies' regime under the Companies Act 2006

By order of the board

Registered Office

Joanne Whyte

Secretary

Date Joanne While 21/08/2012

29 Great Peter Street London SWIP 3LW

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PROBATION ASSOCIATION LIMITED (Registration number: 01352502) YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012

We have audited the financial statements of The Probation Association Limited for the year ended 31 March 2012 as set out on pages 6 to 16. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities Effective April 2008 (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities)

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 495 and 496 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 an auditor's report 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

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 1, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2012 and loss for the year then
 ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice
 applicable to Smaller Entities, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PROBATION ASSOCIATION LIMITED (Registration number: 01352502) YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the 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, or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements and the directors' report in accordance with the small companies regime

Vijay Tanna, Senior Statutory Auditor for and on behalf of

RSM Tenon Audit Limited Statutory Auditors Chapel House Westmead Drive Westlea Swindon SN5 7UN

Date - 31/8/12

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2012

	Notes	2012 £	2011 £
SUBSCRIPTION INCOME OTHER INCOME		1,126,653	1,185,950
TOTAL INCOME		1,126,653	1,185,950
Administrative Expenses		(1,072,167)	(893,647)
OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	2	54,486	292,303
Interest Receivable	3	20,565	21,643
		75,052	313,945
Interest Payable	4	(114,000)	(152,000)
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(38,948)	161,945
TAXATION	6	(4,113)	(4,553)
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	10	(43,062)	157,393

The operating surplus for the year arises from the association's continuing activities

The notes on pages 9 to 16 form part of these financial statements

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STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2012

	2012 £	2011 £
(Deficit) Surplus for the financial year	(43,062)	157,393
Actuarial loss	(558,000)	(10,000)
Total recognised gains and losses relating to the year	(601,062)	147,393

The company continues to adopt FRS 17 'Retirement Benefits' This has resulted in an decrease in the surplus for the financial year of £128,000 (2011 £131,000 increase in surplus) and an increase in deficit for the year of £558,000 (2011 £10,000 decrease in gains)

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2012

	Notes	2012 £	2011 £
FIXED ASSETS	7	105,519	95,842
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	8	46,676	61,044
Cash at bank and in hand		1,094,180	1,297,473
CREDITORS AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN		1,140,856	1,358,517
ONE YEAR	9	(528,538)	(822,240)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		612,318	536,277
NET ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		717,836	632,119
CREDITORS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	9	(1,933)	(1,155)
PENSION LIABILITY	14	(3,117,000)	(2,431,000)
NET LIABILITIES INCLUDING PENSION LIABILITY		(2,401,098)	(1,800,036)
RESERVES			
Income and expenditure account	10	(2,401,098)	(1,800,036)

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008)

On behalf of the board on 2012

Director SERCET LESLIE CO

Director McDrewey MAKK EDWARD ORMEROD

The notes on pages 9 to 16 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31st MARCH 2012

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(i) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008)

During the 2011/12 financial year, the company continued to adopt the accounting requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 17 'Retirement Benefits' in full. This results in a decrease in net assets at the balance sheet date of £3,117,000 (2011 £2,431,000), a decrease in profit, converting profit into loss, for the financial year of £128,000 (2011 £131,000 increase in profit) and an increase in recognised deficit for the year of £558,000 (2011 £10,000, reduction of recognised gains)

(ii) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its useful economic life, as follows

Computer equipment - at 20 - 33% per annum, straight line basis

Office furniture and equipment - at 20% per annum, straight line basis

(III) Amortisation of leasehold property expenditure

Amortisation of leasehold property expenditure is provided to spread expenditure evenly over the remaining life of the lease, to June 2015

(iv) Pensions

For the defined benefit pension scheme, the amount charged to the profit and loss account in respect of pension costs and other post retirement benefits is the estimated regular cost of providing the benefits accrued in the year, adjusted to reflect variations from that cost. The interest cost and expected return on assets are included within interest payable. Actuarial gains and losses arising from new valuations and from updating valuations to the balance sheet date are recognised in the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses

The assets of the defined benefit scheme are held separately from the company and are administered by the London Pension Fund Authority. A full actuarial valuation, by a professionally qualified actuary, is obtained at least every three years, and is updated to reflect current conditions at each balance sheet date. The pension scheme assets are measured at fair value. The pension scheme liabilities are measured using the projected unit method and discounted at the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency. A pension scheme asset is recognised on the balance sheet only to the extent that the surplus may be recovered by reduced future contributions or to the extent that the trustees have agreed a refund from the scheme at the balance sheet date. A pension scheme hability is recognised to the extent that the company has a legal or constructive obligation to settle the hability.

(IV) Leases/Rentals

Total rent payable on the premises at 29 Great Peter Street is recognised equally over the lease period

(v) Income

Income is represented by subscription and other income derived from the principal activities of the company

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	NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31st MARCH	2012 (cont	inued)
		2012	2011
		£	£
2	OPERATING DEFICIT		
	This is stated after charging		
	Depreciation of owned assets	41,494	34,124
	Operating lease rentals	70,142	74,370
	Auditors' remuneration-audit of the company	5,574	6,976
	Auditors' remuneration-other services	1,800	5,776
3	INTEREST RECEIVABLE		
	Bank deposit interest receivable	20,565	21,643
4	INTEREST PAYABLE Other interest		
	Expected return on pension scheme assets	109,000	96,000
	Interest on pension scheme liabilities	(223,000)	(248,000)
	,	(114,000)	(152,000)
		(114,000)	(132,000)
5	EMPLOYEES AND STAFF COSTS		
	The average number of employees excluding directors during the y	ear was as follows	
		2012	2011
	Management	5	5
	Administrative	3	4
		8	9
	Staff costs during the year amounted to		
	Salaries	£ 445,561	£
	Social Security costs	42,195	464,911
	Pension costs	42,193 85.344	40,714 (212,159)
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		,	223,100
	DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION		
	Emoluments for qualifying services	25,985	31,262
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6 TAXATION	2012 £	2011 £
Current tax	*	ı
UK Corporation Tax on surplus of the period	4,113	4,553
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	4,113	4,553
Factor affecting tax charge for the period		
Surplus(Deficit) on ordinary activities before tax	(38,948)	161,946
Surplus/(Deficit) on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK 21% (2010 21%)	(8,179)	34,009
Effects of (Surplus)/Deficit arising from non-taxable activities	12,292	(29,456)
Tax charge for period	4,113	4,553

The company is a non-profit organisation and is accordingly only subject to taxation in respect of its interest income

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7 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Leasehold Property £	Computer equipment £	Office furniture and equipment £	Total £
	Cost.				
	At 1 st April 2011	76,646	78,757	21,826	177,229
	Additions	0	49,921	1,250	51,171
	Less Disposals	0	0	0	0
	At 31 st March 2012	76,646	128,678	23,076	228,400
	Depreciation:				
	At 1st April 2011	16,546	53,428	11,413	81,387
	Charges for the year	14,276	24,445	2,773	41,494
	Less Disposals	0	0	0	0
	At 31st March 2012	30,822	77,873	14,186	122,881
	Net Book Value				
	At 31st March 2012	45,824	50,805	8,890	105,519
	At 31st March 2011	60,100	25,329	10,413	95,842
	DEDMONG				
8	DEBTORS			2012	2011
				£	£
	Other debtors			22,424	30,922
	Prepayments and accru	ied income		24,252	30,122
				46,676	61,044
	£20,198 included within	n Other debtors is due	after one year		
9	CREDITORS:				
	AMOUNTS FALLIN	G DUE WITHIN ON	E YEAR		****
				2012	2011
	Payments received on a	account of subscription	p.	£ 210,924	£ 442,858
	Corporation Tax	account of subscriptions	3	3,334	442,838 4,509
	Other creditors			223,332	236,972
	Accruals and deferred	income		90,948	137,901
				528,538	822,240

Included in other creditors is £223,332 (2011 - £236,762) representing funds received less expenditure to date in respect of projects being undertaken by the company for and funded by the Home Office, NNC, LCCS and other bodies. Funds equal to the above amount are held fiduciarily as part of the company's bank deposits

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	NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31st MARCH 2012	(cont	inued)
9	AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR		
		2012	2011
		£	£
	Corporation Tax	1,933	1,155
10	INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT		
		2012	2011
		£	£
	At beginning of the period	(1,800,036)	(1,947,429)
	Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(43,062)	157,393
	Other recognised gains and losses	(558,000)	(10,000)
		(2,401,098)	(1,800,036)

11 STATUS OF THE COMPANY

The company is incorporated under the Companies Act and is limited by guarantee. The liability of each member is limited to £1. At 31st March 2012 the company had 37 members.

12 RELATED PARTIES

There were no transactions to related parties during the year

13 COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At the year-end the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows

	2012 £	2011 £
Land and buildings		
Expiring in the second to fifth year	82,512	82,512
	82.512	82.512

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31st MARCH 2012

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14 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION SCHEME

The company operates a funded defined benefit scheme in the UK. A full actuarial valuation was carried out at 6 April 2004. This was then updated by an actuary to 31 March 2007 and then to 31 March 2010. The demographic assumptions used for 31 March 2012 are the same as in the formal funding evaluation as at 31 March 2010. The major assumptions used by the actuary were

	2012	2011
	%	%
RPI increase	3 30%	3 50%
CPI increase	2 50%	2 70%
Rate of increase in salaries	4.20%	4.50%
Inflation/Pension Increase Rate	2 50%	2 70%
Expected return on assets	5 90%	6 70%
Discount Rate	4 60%	5 50%

Mortality rate Assumptions

Post retirement mortality is based on Club Vita mortality analysis which has been projected using the medium cohort projection and allowing for a minimum rate of improvement of 1%

	Males	Females
Retiring on 31 3 12	23 8 years	24 6 years
Retiring on 31 3 32	25 8 years	26 5 years
Amounts for the current and previous accounting period	2012	2011
	£	£
Estimated value of scheme assets	1,612,000	1,637,000
Present value of scheme liabilities	(4,729,000)	(4,068,000)
Deficit in scheme	(3,117,000)	(2,431,000)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31st MARC	H 2012 (co	ntinued)
Fair value of employer assets	2012 £	2011 £
Equities Bonds Property	1,177,000 193,000 226,000	1,130,000 196,000 229,000
Cash Corporate Bonds Total	16,000 0 1,612,000	49,000 33,000 1,637,000
Amounts charged to operating profit	2012 £	2011 £
Current service cost Past service cost Losses on curtailment Total operating charge	62,000 - 52,000 114,000	(212,000)
Analysis of amount debited to other finance costs	2012 £	2011 £
Expected returns on pension scheme assets Interest on pension scheme liabilities	(109,000) 223,000	(96,000) 248,000
Net return	114,000	152,000
Movement in deficit in year	2012 £	2011 £
Deficit brought forward Current service costs Contributions Past service cost Other finance costs Settlements and Curtailments	(2,431,000) (62,000) 100,000 - (114,000) (52,000)	(2,552,000) (107,000) 71,000 319,000 (152,000)
Actuarial gain (loss) Deficit in scheme at end of year	(52,000) (558,000) (3,117,000)	(10,000) (2,431,000)

On 1 April 2011, the defined benefit pension scheme was closed to new entrants. A defined contribution scheme is provided for new employees

As a result of the closure of the defined benefit scheme to new entrants, employer contributions were increased from 14 1% of gross salary to 17 1%, the effect of which was £8,437 in the year to 31 March 2012 Further to this, as the scheme is closed to new entrants, the current service cost will increase as members approach retirement

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31st MARCH 2012 (continued)		
Reconclustion of defined benefit obligation	2012	2011
-	£	£
Opening Defined Benefit Obligation	4,068,000	4,010,000
Current Service Cost	62,000	107,000
Interest Cost	223,000	248,000
Contributions by Members	25,000	27,000
Actuarial Losses/Gains	465,000	(134,000)
Past Service Costs/(Gains)	-	(319,000)
Losses/(Gains) on Curtailments	52,000	-
Estimated Benefits Paid	(166,000)	129,000
Closing Defined Benefit Obligation	4,729,000	4,068,000
Reconciliation of fair value of employer assets	2012	2011
• •	£	£
Opening Fair Value of Employer Assets	1,637,000	1,458,000
Expected Return on Assets	109,000	96,000
Contributions by Members	25,000	27,000
Contributions by the Employer	100,000	71,000
Actuarial Gains/(Losses)	(93,000)	(144,000)
Benefits Paid	(166,000)	129,000
Closing Fair Value of Employer Assets	1,612,000	1,637,000
Amounts for the current and previous accounting period	2012	2011
	£	£
Fair Value of Employer Assets	1,612,000	1,637,000
Present Value of Defined Benefit Obligation	(4,729,000)	(4,068,000)
Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,117,000)	(2,431,000)
Experience Gains/(Losses) on Assets	(93,000)	(144,000)
Experience Gains/(Losses) on Liabilities	-	-