HACKNEY CITY FARM LIMITED

COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

Charity Number 291211



McMAHON SWAIN & COMPANY LIMITED

Chartered Certified Accountants 336 Hackney Road London, E2 7AX

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MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

Registered charity name

Hackney City Farm Limited

Charity number

291211

Company registration number

1883734

Department of Education number.

204/6011

CPH Number

26/005/001

Principal office

Hackney City Farm 1A Goldsmiths Row

London E2 8QA

Trustees

David Brook Rebecca Earnshaw Sergio Almasy Stuart Maxwell David Graham

Catrin Lewis (Appointed 18th December 2014)

Sarah Leach

John Condon (Appointed 24th October 2014)

Company Secretary

Sergio Almasy

Farm Director

Chris Pounds

Accountant

Gary Swain FCCA 336 Hackney Road London, E2 7AX

Bankers

National Westminster 403 Bethnal Green Road

London E2 0AF

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

The trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2014.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Reference and administrative details are shown in the schedule of members of the board and professional advisers on page 1 of the financial statements.

THE TRUSTEES

The trustees who served the company during the period were as follows:

David Brook Rebecca Earnshaw Sergio Almasy Stuart Maxwell David Graham Sarah Leach John Condon Catrin Lewis

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT STATUS

Hackney City Farm Ltd (the Farm) is a Registered Charity and Limited Company. It is governed by the Articles of Association (Companies Act 1948) agreed in 1984 and Trustees were appointed and elected in accordance with the memorandum at the Annual General Meeting 13th December 2008.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

ORGANISATION, MANAGEMENT AND DECISION MAKING STRUCTURE

The management of Hackney City Farm is vested in Trustees, meeting as the Management Committee and responsible for the administration of the Farm's affairs and the general policy of the Farm in accordance with clause 43 of the Memorandum of Articles. There are 8 Trustees serving during the 2014/15 term.

The day to day management of the Farm is carried out by a paid Farm Director assisted by 4 full time paid staff members;

Farm Director Chris Pounds
Community Farmer Dee Miller

Volunteer and Education Roisin O'Cearnaigh / Charlie Sayle / Rita Attille

Livestock Education Mentor

B2E KS4 Programme Manager

B2E KS4 Programme Mentor

Charlie Banks

Adrian Johnson

Pat Corbett

The Farm is also assisted by a number of sessional workers and part time staff who bring a huge variety of skills and knowledge, including:

Finance Administrator

B2E KS4 Mentor/ Administrator

B2E KS4 Mentor

B2E KS4 Mentor

B2E KS4 Mentor

B2E KS4 Maths Teacher

B2E KS4 English Teacher

Sessional Worker

Sessional Worker

Stefania Valente

Sarah Mcilven

Angus Brown

Adeyinka Shodeke

Shawn Ballantine

Charlotte Anderson

Caroline Baker

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

POLICY STATEMENTS

Reserves

The reserves are the resources from the Farm's unrestricted income to spend at the Trustee's direction in the furtherance of the Farm's objects once it has met its commitments and covered its planned expenditure. The Trustees direct that sums are to be held as reserves when it is their considered view that it is in the Charity's best interest to do so. The review is made annually, normally at budget approval and at other times as the Trustees consider prudent. Currently the Farm maintains a 3 month operating cost reserve with any remainder designated to Farm development projects.

Investments

The Trustees have reviewed the deposition of the Farm's reserves funds and approve a policy of placing reserved funds with deposit taking institutions where appropriate. No more than the maximum covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme is to be placed with any one deposit taker.

Risk Analysis

The Farm has developed a Risk Management System and associated working policies. This has been in conjunction with the PQASSO Quality Standards Scheme.

Quality Standards

The Farm holds the Charity Evaluation Services PQASSO Standard Level One in all areas.

Public Benefit

The objects of the Farm are for public benefit, specifically around food farming and the wider environment. The City Farm serves to create and maintain a lifelong learning environment where local people can gain knowledge, green skills, confidence and learning opportunities through Farm activities and the education & training programmes. In planning and reviewing the Farm Business Plan and the activities taking place, the Trustees are mindful of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Tangible Fixed Assets (Freehold Property)

The Farm was granted a 99-year lease on the property at 1a Goldsmiths Row by the London Borough of Hackney. This began in 1984 and is on the basis of an annual peppercorn rent.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

CO-OPERATING WITH OTHER CHARITIES AND RELATED PARTIES

There are no relationships between Farm and related parties that fall within the requirements for disclosure under Charity SORP 2005.

The Farm works in partnership or closely with a number of organisations on various projects;

These Include,

St Mary's Secret Garden
The Learning Trust
The Refugee Council
The Sundial Centre
Low Impact Learning Initiative
MIND
Bike Yard East
Magnificent Revolution
Haggerston Park User Group
Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens
Hackney Harmony
Women's Environmental Network

The Farm is a member of / works closely with;

Soleshare

The Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens
Farms for Schools
Haggerston Park User Group
Hackney Environmental Education Network
Seabright Children's Centre
Hackney Community Transport
Growing Communities
London Orchard Project
Inspire
Connections
Immediate Theatre Group
The Mouth that Roars
B6 College / Hackney Community College
Regents College
The Golden Co-op

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE SUMMARY OF THE YEARS ACTIVITIES

In the last 12 months the Farm has received a staggering 103000 visitors, of these nearly 4000 have been pupils on an education visit. There have been over 1600 hours of workshops and teaching on the site ranging from mosaic, food smoking, straw bale building to back woods cooking pottery and singing.

The volunteer work continues to be a significant aspect of the Farm's life with over 140 volunteers, of which half are regular attendees. Helping, learning and socialising whilst gardening, looking after the livestock, running the shop and lots more.

The pupil referral unit supported by the Learning trust has undergone a transformation and is now registered with Ofsted officially as an independent school, there have been necessary improvements to the facilities including a new kitchen and complete toilet block.

Work on developing areas of social enterprise has continued and this year the Farm was awarded funding from Garfield Weston towards providing a Volunteer Co-ordinator to manage the Farm Shop. We are currently seeking support to match fund this and hope to have secured funding by early 2016.

This year was the Farm's 30-year birthday and celebrations culminated in a 3-month exhibition in Hackney Museum of the history of the Farm, and an evening launch and party back at the Farm. This work was funded by the Arts Council and has been developed into a further project; archiving and making accessible online much of the Farm's history.

An independent evaluation of the Back to Earth Project was commissioned to provide evidence of the volunteer and education programmes work over the last 3 years. The result was a glowing report on the success this project had been in meeting and exceeding set outputs and outcomes.

The Farm profile has steadily grown through the number of features and articles that it has contributed to. This year saw a great feature on "Countryfile" – the BBC flagship countryside programme which has a regular viewing figure of 6 million people. We are keen to promote the work of ourselves and the other City Farm's in London by developing a feature on the Capel Manor City Farm's and Community Gardens Harvest Festival which we have been involved in organising over the last 14 years.

Finally, the Farm was selected by The Big Lottery as one of 200 projects, of the many thousands funded nationally in the last 20 years, to take part in its anniversary "Celebration of Good Causes Supported". Each project depicted the work they do in a giant poster and the Farm had various animals included with Clover – the Farm's friendliest donkey central in the picture.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

This is just a brief summary of the many significant and memorable events and achievements over the last 12 months and the Farm is indebted to the dedicated and loyal staff team and the hardworking and enthusiastic volunteers and to this end we are enormously grateful.

Chris Pounds – Farm Director David Brook - Chair of Trustees

Visitor Comments

We live locally and think the Farm is a crucial part of our community.

A very special place and there's a really lovely atmosphere.

We love it. It is great for us to see real animals in the Farm. I really like the donkeys.

I think it's so important children are in contact to nature and the fact that the Farm organises courses to learn how to do... basic stuff. Really great place!

It's a great opportunity to enjoy the nature in the middle of a big city

Some key findings of the User Questionnaire.

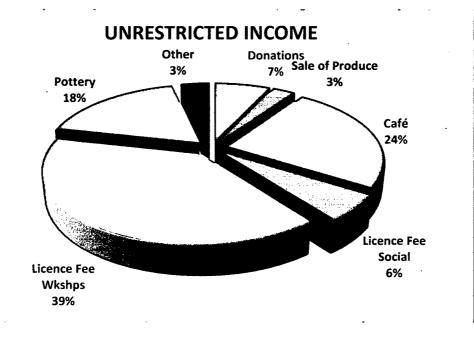
- 77% of respondents rated the importance of the Farm in the Community as very high.
- The numbers and varieties of animals showed a 9% increase in the 'excellent' opinion to now nearly a third of all respondents. Information and signs and the gardens also shared increases in the highest category by 3% and 15% respectably on the previous questionnaire results.
- The reasons for visiting increased from last year's figures in the shop, evening classes, gardening and education and decreased slightly in the animals and café categories.

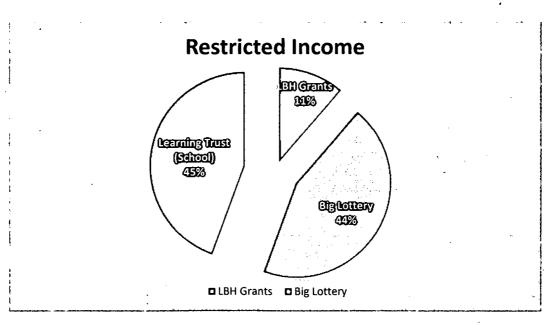
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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

Financial Review

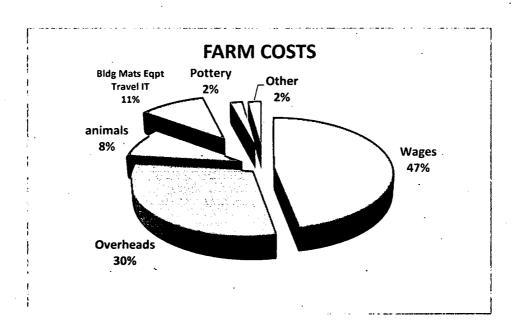
Below are some graphical representations of the years' accounts. The Trustees are pleased with the Charity's activities during the year, despite the difficulties in funding. The reserves at the year-end remain at a healthy figure and the Trustees look towards a year of growth for 2015-2016.

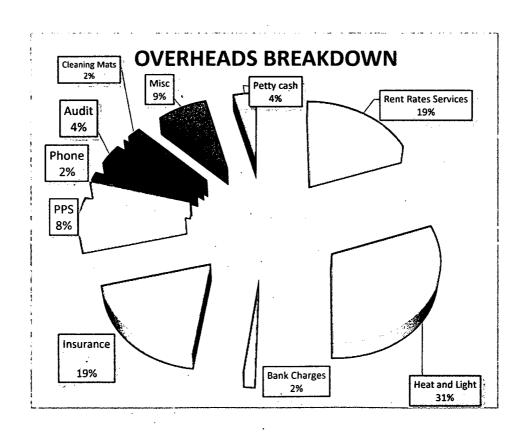




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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015





TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Gary Swain FCCA has been re-appointed as Independent Examiner for the ensuing year.

Registered office: 1a Goldsmiths Row London E2 8QA

Sergio Almasy

18th December 2015

Company Secretary

Signed by order of the trustees

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HACKNEY CITY FARM LIMITED (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2015 which are set out on pages 13 - 21.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER.

The trustees (who are also the directors of Hackney City Farm Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the company is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the company and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HACKNEY CITY FARM LIMITED (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the
 accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods
 and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by
 Charities

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Gary Swain FCCA Independent examiner

C.w. Jwain,

336 Hackney Road London, E2 7AX

18th December 2015

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2015 £	Total Funds 2014 £
INCOMING RESOURC	ES		. •		
Incoming resources from generating funds: Voluntary income	2	43,099	250,943	294,042	247,956
Activities for		·	230,943	ŕ	·
generating funds Investment income	3 4	131,514 10		131,514 10	130,947 11
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		174,623	250,943	425,566	378,914
RESOURCES EXPEND Costs of generating funds: Costs of generating		·			
voluntary income	5	(157,330)	(2.41.250)	(157,330)	(149,921)
Charitable activities Governance costs	6/7 8	(6,291) (2,800)	(241,278) -	(247,569) (2,800)	(221,268) (2,700)
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		(166,421)	(241,278)	(407,699)	(373,889)
NET INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE					
TRANSFERS Transfer between funds	9 10	8,202 (866)	9,665 866	17,867 -	5,025
NET INCOME FOR TH	Œ,				
YEAR RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	7	7,336	10,531	17,867	5,025
Total funds brought forwa	rd	50,261	29,305	79,566	74,541
TOTAL FUNDS CARRI FORWARD	ED	57,597	39,836	97,433	79,566

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 16-21 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2015

		2015		2014
FIXED ASSETS	Note	£	£	£
Tangible assets	14		62	122
CURRENT ASSETS				•
Debtors	15	32,666		32,666
Cash at bank and in hand		70,046		52,075
•		102,712		84,741
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within				
one year	16	(5,3,42)		(5,298)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			97,370	79,443
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABII	LITIES		97,432	79,565
NET ASSETS			97,432	79,565
FUNDS	4-		20.027	20.205
Restricted income funds Unrestricted income funds	17 49	•	39,836	29,305 50,260
	18		57,596	
TOTAL FUNDS			97,432	79,565

For the year ended 31 March 2015 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Trustees' 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; and
- The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on the 18th December 2015 and are signed on their behalf by:

David Brook

Sergio Alma

Company Registration Number: 1883734

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005).

Incoming resources

Voluntary income is included in the statement of financial activities (sofa) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable certainty.

Grant income is included when the related conditions to the grant have been met.

Donations are credited to the revenue account when received.

All other income is accounted for on a receivable basis

Fund accounting

Unrestricted general funds

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund, which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. Such funds may be held to finance both working capital and capital investment.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and it is the policy of the board of trustees to carefully monitor the application of those funds in accordance with the restrictions placed upon them.

Resources expended

All resources are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Costs of generating funds are those costs incurred in attracting voluntary and grant related income.

Direct charitable expenditure included the direct costs of the activities and depreciation on related assets.

Governance costs include those incurred in the governance of the charity and its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Support costs include central functions and where such costs relate to more than one functional cost category, they have been apportioned in line with direct salary costs of the relevant service.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Fixed assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

•	Unrestricte	Restricted	Total	Total Funds
	d Funds	Funds	Funds 2015	2014
	£	£	£	£
Donations				
Donation at farm	9,699	_	9,699	10,447
Grants receivable		•	•	
LBH Grants	31,900	· · -	31,900	30,000
Big Lottery	· · · · -	125,289	125,289	98,376
Trust & Company grant for		•	·	
expenditure	1,500	125,654	127,154	108,133
Peter Stebbings	´ -	´ -	,	1,000
•	43,099	250,943	294,042	247,956

3. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	Unrestricte	Total Tunds 2015	Total Funds 2014
	£	£	£
Sale of produce / other	3,810	3,810	15,745
Cafe	34,569	34,569	33,001
Licence fees from socials, bands & parties	7,969	7,969	7,449
Licence fees from Workshops	54,860	54,860	38,803
Pottery	25,259	25,259	21,601
Other activities for generating funds	5,047	5,047	14,348
	131,514	131,514	130,947

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricte	Total	Total Funds
	d Funds	Funds 2015	2014
•	£	£	£
Bank interest receivable	. 10	10	- 11

5. COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY INCOME

Unrestricte	Total	Total Funds
d Funds	Funds 2015	2014
£	£	£

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Costs of generating income - Farm

157,330

157,330

149,921

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

6. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricte	Restricted	Total	Total Funds
	d Funds	Funds	Funds 2015	2014
	£	£	£	£
B2E - Learning Trust	_	119,733	119,733	91,132
B2E - Big Lottery Fund	_	107,899	107,899	89,837
B2E - Social Enterprise	6,291	_	6,291	18,315
B2E - PPP & Yoga Project	· _	_	_	1,000
Garden Project	· —	_	· —	1,123
Our Old Story	,	_	_	9,921
Peter Stebbings	_	_		9,940
Stepping Out	<u>-</u>	13,646	13,646	· <u> </u>
	6,291	241,278	247,569	221,268
•	6,291	241,278	247,569	221,268 =======

7. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Grant		
	funding	Total	Total Funds
	activities	Funds 2015	2014
	£	£	£
B2E - Learning Trust	119,733	119,733	91,132
B2E - Big Lottery Fund	107,899	107,899	89,837
B2E - Social Enterprise	6,291	6,291	18,315
B2E - PPP & Yoga Project	_	_	1,000
Garden Project	_	· –	1,123
Our Old Story	_	<u>-</u>	9,921
Peter Stebbings	_	_	9,940
Stepping Out	13,646	13,646	
·	247,569	247,569	221,268
			

8. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricte	Total	Total Funds
•	d Funds F	unds 2015	2014
	. £	£	£
Accountancy fees	2,800	2,800	2,700

9. NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging:

•	2015	2014
	£	£
Depreciation	60	60
-		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

10. FUND TRANSFERS

A net transfer of unrestricted core funds to restricted funds of £nil (2014 - £296) has been made, in order that restricted reserves, carried forward, are in accordance with the individual project reserves which were held at 31st. March 2015.

11. RESTRICTED FUNDS

Income and expenditure related to specific projects is shown as restricted funds. These cover Big Lottery Fund, Learning Trust, WWV, Garden project and the Stepping Out project. Any deficit is covered by a transfer from the unrestricted funds.

12. STAFF COSTS AND EMOLUMENTS

Total staff costs were as follows:

1	2015	2014
•	£	£
Wages and salaries	185,465	167,135
Social security costs	15,680	15,331
	201,145	182,466

Particulars of employees:

The average number of employees during the year, calculated on the basis of full-time equivalents, was as follows:

	2015	2014
	· No	No
Number of staff	10	10

No employee received remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year (2014 - Nil).

13. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

No Trustee received either remuneration or reimbursement of expenditure during the year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

•			Equipment £	Leasehold Property	Total
	COST At 1 April 2014 and 31 March 2	2015	18,011	266,706)
	DEPRECIATION At 1 April 2014 Charge for the year	·	17,889 60	266,706 -	284,595 60
•	At 31 March 2015		17,949	266,706	284,655
	NET BOOK VALUE At 31 March 2015	÷	62	· · <u> </u>	62
	At 31 March 2014		122		122
15.	DEBTORS Other debtors			2015 £ 32,666	2014 £ 32,666
16.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling	due within o	ie year		•
		,	•	2015 £	2014 £
	PAYE and social security Accruals			2,942 2,400	3,297 2,001
				5,342	5,298
17.	RESTRICTED INCOME FUN	DS			
	Balance at 1 Apr 2014	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Balance at 31 Mar 2015

	Balance at 1 Apr 2014	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Balance at 31 Mar 2015
	£	£	£	£	£
Big Lottery	8,540	125,289	(107,899)	_	25,930
Learning Trust WWV	18,138	112,874	(119,733)	-	11,279
Enterprises	1,048	. –	. –		1,048
Garden project	1,579	_		_	1,579
Stepping Out	_	12,780	(13,646)	866	_
•	29,305	250,943	(241,278)	866	39,836

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

18. UNRESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Apr 2014	Balance at Incoming	Incoming	Outgoing	Balance at	
		resources	resources	Transfers 31	Mar 2015	
	£	£	. €	£	£	
General Funds	50,261	174,622	(166,421)	(866)	57,596	

19. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Tangible N		
fixed assets	assets	Total
£	£	£
_	11,386	11,386
· -	26,637	26,637
_	1,048	1,048
· _	1,579	1,579
_	40,650	40,650
62	55,871	55,933
62	96,521	96,583
	fixed assets £	£ £ - 11,386 - 26,637 - 1,048 - 1,579 - 40,650 - 55,871

20. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

In the event of the winding up of the company, the liability of the members is limited to their initial subscription.