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Annual Report

For the year ended 31 March 2002





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Reports and financial statements

For the year ended 31 March 2002

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Directors at 31 March 2002

Judith Smith Norman Tristram

Mike Cartwright

Rob Macmillan

Jackie Bird

Maureen Major

Liz Matthews

Richard Arden

Louise Mycroft

Diane Robson

Company secretary

Katharine Wilkie

Registered office

The Workstation Paternoster Row Sheffield S1 2BX

Auditors

Hawsons, Chartered Accountants Pegasus House 463a Glossop Road Sheffield S10 2QD

Bankers

CafCash Limited Kings Mill West Malling Kent ME19 4TA

Co-operative Bank plc West Street Sheffield S1 3SX

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Report of the directors

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2002.

Charity objectives

We aim to promote the more effective working of charities in South Yorkshire and to promote the achievement of charitable purposes on the part of voluntary and community groups by:

- Compiling comprehensive and reliable information calculated to achieve such ends by research into existing and new sources of financial and other resources;
- Making available the findings of such research to prospective donors and those seeking such resources by the provisions of financial and other resources;
- Providing other related services designed to increase the amount of effective resources to be devoted to achieving charitable purpose by voluntary and community groups in the area of benefit.

The company is limited by guarantee and is a registered charity, number 1061118.

Review of the charity's activities and future developments

The Bureau provides free funding information, advice, training and support services to over 800 local voluntary and community groups each year. During 2001/02 the Bureau developed its Quality Standard work, achieving level 1 of PQASSO and making good progress towards level 2. In the last quarter of the year new resources were secured for the Information Service, management and IT development - all of which will be implemented during 2002/03.

Restricted funds

Certain donations to the charity have been made for specific purposes. The net assets relating to these activities have been separately analysed in the balance sheet and note 11 to the financial statements.

Changes in fixed assets

The movement in fixed assets during the year are set out in note 6 to the financial statements.

Responsibilities of the directors

The directors are required by UK company law and charity law to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that year.

The directors confirm that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently and that reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates have been made in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2002. The directors also confirm that applicable accounting standards have been followed and that the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

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Report of the directors (continued)

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Directors

The directors, as defined in the Memorandum and Articles, act as the directors of the company and, as the organisation is a registered charity, act also as its charitable trustees.

The directors at 31 March 2002 are listed on page 1.

The directors who were appointed during the year are:

Mike Cartwright26 April 2001Louise Mycroft22 November 2001Diane Robson22 November 2001Maureen Major26 April 2001

The directors who resigned during the year are:

Stella McDermott 22 November 2001 Ann Gilbert 22 November 2001

Risk management

The trustees have conducted their own review of risks to which the Bureau is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate risks. Key risks for the Bureau are a growing dependence on time limited grant income and an inadequate level of free reserves. This is managed by close monitoring of workplans and budgets, sound forward planning and by implementing a strategy to increase the level of income the Bureau can use to contribute to free reserves.

Reserves policy

The trustees have agreed that the Bureau should aim to develop and maintain unrestricted reserves at a level which equates to 3 months core running costs. This would provide sufficient funds to enable the Bureau to respond to a sudden loss of income or unforeseen liability.

Investment policy

Restricted funds held by the Bureau are to be retained in a bank account so that the funds are held in a risk free and liquid form. The Bureau will seek to obtain the best interest rate it can in respect of these funds. The Bureau's unrestricted funds are currently held in an interest bearing bank account and the Bureau will seek to obtain the best interest rate it can on those funds.

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Report of the directors (continued)

Auditors

A resolution to reappoint Hawsons will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

Exemption statement

The report of the directors has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the board

Rob Macmillan

Chair

25 July 2002

Independent auditors' report to the Members of South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau

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Independent Auditors' Report to the members of South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau

We have audited the financial statements of South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau for the year ended 31 March 2002 which comprise the Statement of Financial activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors of the Charitable Company, who are also the trustees' of South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau for the purposes of charity law, responsibilities for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charity has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' and directors' remuneration and transactions with the charitable company is not disclosed.

We are not required to consider whether the statement in the Directors' Report concerning the major risks to which the charity is exposed covers all existing risks and controls, or to form an opinion on the effectiveness of the charity's risk management and control procedures.

We read other information contained in the Directors' Report and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Independent auditors' report to the Members of South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau (continued)

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Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31st March 2002 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

HAWSONS

Chartered Accountants and

Registered Auditors.

Sheffield

25 July 2002

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Statement of financial activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)

For the year ended 31 March 2002

| Incoming resources | Note | Restricted funds £ | Unrestricted funds £ | 2001/02 Total £ | 2000/01 Total £ |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Activities to further the charity's objects: - Grants to provide funding advice and information - Fee income Bank interest | 2 | 249,899 80 - | 7,135 3,019 | 249,899 7,215 3,019 | 220,571 1,677 4,016 |
| | | 249,979 | 10,154 | 260,133 | 226,264 |
| Resources expended Costs of generating funds: - Fund raising and publicity Charitable expenditure: | | - | 20 | 20 | 36 |
| - Funding advice and information Management and administration | | 257,629 - | 5,780 | 257,629 5,780 | 221,873 5,542 |
| | 3 | 257,629 | 5,800 | 263,429 | 227,451 |
| Net incoming/(outgoing) resource being net income (expenditure) for the year | ees, | (7,650) | 4,354 | (3,296) | (1,187) |
| Funds at 1 April 2001 | | 49,093 | 10,296 | 59,389 | 60,576 |
| Funds at 31 March 2002 | | 41,443 | 14,650 | 56,093 | 59,389 |

The bureau has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the statement of financial activities, and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the amounts reported in the statement of financial activities and their historical cost equivalents.

There were no discontinued operations.

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Balance sheet - at 31 March 2002

| | Notes | 2002 £ | 2001 £ |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Fixed assets Tangible assets | 6 | 6,104 | 8,758 |
| Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand | 7 | 7,885 82,029 89,914 | 8,914 77,087 86,001 |
| Creditors Amounts falling due within one year | 8 | 39,925 | 35,370 |
| Net current assets | | 49,989 | 50,631 |
| Net assets | | 56,093 | 59,389 |
| Funds Unrestricted Restricted | 11 11 | 14,650 41,443 | 10,296 49,093 |
| | | 56,093 | 59,389 |

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Approved by the directors on 25 July 2002 and signed on their behalf by:

Rob Macmillan

Director and Chair

Richard Arden

Director and Treasurer

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Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2002

1. Accounting policies

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (revised 2000) issued by the Charity Commission and the Accounting Standards Board. A summary of the more important accounting policies, which have been consistently applied, is set out below.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset by equal instalments over its expected useful life, as follows:

Office equipment - 25%

Cash flows

The company qualifies as a small company under the terms of Section 247 of the Companies Act 1985. As a consequence it is exempt from the requirements to publish a cash flow statement.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for in the accounting period in which it is incurred.

Grants received

Grants received are credited to the statement of financial activities in the period to which they relate.

Pension costs

The company makes contributions to the personal pension arrangements of employees. The pension cost charge in the Statement of Financial Activities represents the amounts payable into these arrangements during the year.

Income

Income

2. Grants

| | Income | HICOME |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| | 2001/02 | 2000/01 |
| | £ | £ |
| Sheffield City Council | 79,570 | 77,772 |
| Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council | 32,871 | 32,871 |
| Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council | 12,500 | 10,000 |
| Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council | 11,641 | 11,115 |
| Community Fund (formerly known as National Lottery Charities Board) | 72,050 | 53,168 |
| European Social Fund | • | 2,773 |
| Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales | - | 10,000 |
| Sub total | 208,632 | 197,699 |
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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2. Grants (continued)

| | Income | income |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| | 2001/02 | 2000/01 |
| | £ | £ |
| Sub total brought forward | 208,632 | 197,699 |
| SRB5 Coalfields | 15,152 | 8,283 |
| Esmee Fairbairn Charitable Trust | 23,990 | 8,389 |
| Charities Aid Foundation | 1,750 | 3,500 |
| J G Graves Charitable Trust | - | 2,200 |
| PricewaterhouseCoopers | - | 500 |
| South Yorkshire Community Foundation | 125 | - |
| Abbey National Charitable Trust | 250 | - |
| | | |
| | 249,899 | 220,571 |
| | | |

Local authorities each contribute a percentage to core costs depending on the usage of the Bureau's services within their district. Additional contributions are made for development work within certain districts.

3. Analysis of Expenditure

| Salaries Recruitment Travel Staff training | Funding Advice and Information £ 188,035 2,713 2,165 2,014 | Management and Administration £ - - | Fundraising and Publicity £ - - - | 2001/02 £ 188,035 2,713 2,165 2,014 | 2000/01 £ 152,388 4,727 1,769 1,033 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Accommodation Equipment | 15,210 1,035 | - | - | 15,210 1,035 | 14,147 2,089 |
| Computers + IT | 2,855 | - | - | 2,855 | 4,726 |
| Communications Publications | 5,628 1,012 | - | - | 5,628 1,012 | 6,059 1,054 |
| Subscriptions | 448 | - | - | 448 | 730 |
| Printing and Stationery | 3,303 | 358 | 20 | 3,681 | 3,806 |
| Management Committee Annual Report and AGM | - | 810 3,182 | - | 810 3,182 | 384 3,685 |
| Audit Fees | - | 1,209 | - | 1,209 | 965 |
| Professional Fees | 3,562 | 221 | - | 3,562 | 6,862 |
| Bank Charges Sundry Expenses | 418 | 221 | - - | 221 418 | 137 54 |
| Depreciation and loss on | | | | | |
| disposal of fixed assets | 3,662 | - | • | 3,662 | 3,889 |
| Training courses & events Funding News SRB5 grant repayable | 13,858 10,763 948 | - | - | 13,858 10,763 948 | 8,234 10,713 |
| | 257,629 | 5,780 | 20 | 263,429 | 227,451 |
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Included in the above are operating lease rentals on property of £7,202 (2001: £6,248).

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4. **Emoluments of the directors**None of the directors received any emoluments in the year ended 31 March 2002.

Two directors were reimbursed travel expenses totalling £129.

| 5. | Staff Costs | | 2001/02 £ | 2000/01 £ |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Salaries Tax and National Insurance Pension | | 160,391 13,691 13,953 | 130,523 11,470 10,395 |
| | | | 188,035 | 152,388 |
| | The average number of employees | (part-time and full-time) during the year | r was: | |
| | | Bureau Director Information Workers Development Workers Administrators Training Co-ordinator | 2001/02 1 2 4 2 1 | 2000/01 1 2 3 2 |
| | | | 10 | 8 |
| 6. | Tangible fixed assets | | 2002 £ | |
| | Office equipment | | | |
| | Cost at 1 April 2001 Additions Disposals | | 36,397 1,008 | |
| | Cost at 31 March 2002 | | 37,405 | |
| | Depreciation at 1 April 2001 Charge for year Disposals | | 27,639 3,662 | |
| | Depreciation at 31 March 2002 | | 31,301 | |
| | Net book value at 31 March 2002 | | 6,104 | |
| | Net book value at 1 April 2001 | | 8,758 | |

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

| 7. | Debtors | 2002 £ | 2001 £ |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| | Other debtors Prepayments | 7,285 600 | 8,287 627 |
| | Amount due within one year | 7,885 | 8,914 |
| 8. | Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 2002 £ | 2001 £ |
| | Accruals Grants received in advance SRB5 grant repayable Training deposits in advance | 15,171 23,786 948 20 | 10,047 25,323 |
| | | 39,925 | 35,370 |

9. Operating Lease Commitments

Financial commitments under non-cancellable operating leases will result in the following payments falling due in the next financial year:

| On leases expiring: | 2002 Property £ |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| On leases expiring: Within the next year | 7,202 |
| | 7,202 |
| | |

10. Share capital

The company is a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital. Accordingly, the company has no shareholders and no reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds has been presented.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

| 11. Funds | | | | 2002 | 2001 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | £ | £ |
| Balance at 1 April Surplus income for year | | | | 10,296 4,354 | 10,261 35 |
| Balance at 31 March | | | = | 14,650 | 10,296 |
| Restricted funds | | | | 2002 £ | 2001 £ |
| Balance at 1 April (Deficit) of income for year | | | | 49,093 (7,650) | 50,315 (1,222) |
| Balance at 31 March | | | | 41,443 | 49,093 |
| ` Restricted funds comprise: | Opening balance £ | Income £ | Expenditure £ | Transfer of Fixed Assets £ | Closing balance £ |
| Community Fund | 1,729 | 72,050 | (70,922) | 992 | 3,849 |
| Esmee Fairbairn Charitable Trust | 875 | 23,990 | (24,208) | - | 657 |
| Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster Councils | 46,489 | 136,582 | (144,194) | (992) | 37,885 |
| Fee income | - | 80 | (80) | - | - |
| SRB5 Coalfields | _ | 15,152 | (16,100) | - | (948) |
| Charities Aid Foundation | - | 1,750 | (1,750) | - | - |
| Abbey National Charitable Trust | - | 250 | (250) | _ | - |
| South Yorkshire Community Foundation | <u>.</u> | 125 | (125) | - | - |
| | 49,093 | 249,979 | (257,629) | - | 41,443 |

The deficit on SRB5 Coalfields arises from an overpayment of grant in a previous year and will be covered by future income.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

11. Funds (continued)

| Analysis of Accumulated Fund Balance Between Net Assets at 31 March 2002 | Restricted Funds £ | Unrestricted Funds £ | Total £ |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tangible Fixed Assets: Community Fund Esmee Fairbairn Charitable Trust Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster Councils | 1,758 657 3,689 | : : | 1,758 657 3,689 |
| Total Tangible Fixed Assets | 6,104 | - | 6,104 |
| Current Assets: Community Fund Esmee Fairbairn Charitable Trust South Yorkshire Community Foundation Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster Councils Unrestricted funds Total current assets | 6,222 18,279 1,375 48,033 73,909 | 16,005 16,005 | 6,222 18,279 1,375 48,033 16,005 89,914 |
| Current Liabilities: Community Fund Esmee Fairbairn Charitable Trust South Yorkshire Community Foundation Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster Councils Unrestricted funds SRB5 Coalfields | (4,131) (18,279) (1,375) (13,837) - (948) | (1,355) | (4,131) (18,279) (1,375) (13,837) (1,355) (948) |
| Less Total Current Liabilities | (38,570) | (1,355) | (39,925) |
| | 41,443 | 14,650 | 56,093 |

12. Pensions - Defined Contribution Scheme

The company makes contributions to the personal pension arrangements of employees. The pension cost charge in the Statement of Financial Activities of £13,953 (2001: £10,395) represents the amounts payable into these arrangements during the year.

13 Ultimate controlling party

The company has no ultimate controlling party.