REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1998

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COMPANY INFORMATION

Members of the Board of Trustees

Melvyn George Arthur Lamb - Chairperson John Dennis Johnson (resigned 31 March 1998)

James Andrew Grainger

David Charles Fallows (resigned 15

December 1997)

Howard Matthews (resigned 1 October

1997)

Francis Ivor Vickery Graeme Beedham

Jonathan Ashley Horne (resigned 24

September 1997 Michael John Fox

David Hockley (appointed 23 December

1997)

Marion Ann Bergman (appointed 24

September 1997)

Janet Karen Goulton (appointed 24

September 1997)

Maura Josephine Santos (appointed 1

October 1997)

Andrea Tay Miller-Chan (appointed 24

September 1997)

Gina Skeens (appointed 24 September

1997)

Olufunke Daodu (appointed 6 May 1998)

Theresa Ann Kathleen Cansdale (appointed 5 January 1998)

Secretary

J Parker and K Arrenberg jointly

Registered Office

77-79 Rushey Green

Catford

London SE6 4AF

Auditors

French and Company

Chartered Accountants and

Registered Auditors Meridian House 62 Station Road North Chingford

London E4 7BA

COMPANY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

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Bankers

National Westminster Bank PLC

Beckton Branch PO Box 3238 15 Mary Rose Mall Frobisher Road

London E6

Solicitors

Parker Arrenberg Dawson & Cobb

77-79 Rushey Green

Catford

London SE6 4AF

Registered Charity Number

1049485

Company Registration Number

3036200 (England and Wales)

Date of Incorporation

16 March 1995

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1998

The Board of Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 March 1998.

OBJECTS OF THE COMPANY, AND ORGANISATION OF ITS WORK

The Company is constituted as a company limited by guarantee and is therefore governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. It is also registered under the Charities Act 1993.

The company's objects are to promote the following charitable purposes within that part of the London Borough of Newham comprised in West Silvertown and its environs as follows:-

- (1) To relieve persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress
- (2) The protection and preservation of health
- (3) The advancement of education and learning including the provision of vocational training among inhabitants of the area
- (4) To advance public education in the arts
- (5) To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation
- (6) To promote high standards of planning, architecture and social provision in or affecting the area
- (7) To secure the preservation, protection, development and improvement of the physical and social environment in order to improve the condition of life of the inhabitants and the neighbourhood in which they live.

The Company is organised so that the Trustees (who are the directors for the purposes of the Companies Acts) meet regularly to manage its affairs. It does not employ any full or part-time staff but its administration is managed under the direction of the Trustees by consultants.

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PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND REVIEW OF BUSINESS

During this third year of operation the Trustees have sought further to consolidate the establishment of the Foundation in the local community and have secured a substantial increase in the number of local residents in membership of the Foundation and in the representation of residents, from both social and private housing, on the Board of Trustees. The Foundation has also hosted a promotional event with a small number of significant local businesses as a first step in promoting itself to the local business community in general, a process which is continuing with plans having been made to hold a further promotional event with invitations being extended to over two hundred local businesses.

An important exercise by the Trustees has been to adopt a programme of strategic objectives taking the Foundation into the new millennium. The Trustees have identified the overall priority as the need to build a sound sense of community covering the whole of the new urban village, ensuring that all sections of the community are represented on the Board. As referred to above, substantial progress has already been made towards achieving this objective and further efforts are being made to widen support from the business community. The Trustees have also determined that, in applying the Foundation's funds, priority should be given to support for the young and/or elderly, training initiatives and the improving of public transport (without the Foundation itself becoming a provider).

Initiatives taken directly by the Trustees during the year have been:-

- taking steps towards the publication by the Foundation of a village newsletter, involving local people in its production, the first edition of which is planned to be distributed in summer 1998
- applying for a lottery grant for the provision of play equipment which, sadly, was unsuccessful. However, the Trustees are still anxious to secure the provision of play equipment and have therefore decided to pursue a lesser scheme capable of being funded jointly by the Foundation and two providers of social housing in the urban village.
- children's Christmas party 1997 in respect of which the Foundation contributed a net amount of £1000 towards the total cost of £1500.

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During the year, the Foundation also gave its support to the following:-

- introduction of a community learning programme by Newham College, the central aim of which is to develop programmes that combat social exclusion, fight discrimination and racism and improve access to the labour market and employability.
- a community arts project in respect of which a grant application had been made to Arts for Everyone. This application has not initially been successful but is still being pursued.

The Trustees regard the year as one in which sound progress has been made, both in the pursuit of initiatives for the benefit of the local community and also moving the Foundation forward from the hitherto "consolidating and caretaking" role while the population in the village builds up to a more proactive role in encouraging and pursuing beneficial projects.

TRANSACTIONS AND FINANCIAL POSITION

The statement of financial activities shows net income for the year of £904,791 and that the Foundation's reserves stand at £1,256,804.

The year end saw the closure of the London Docklands Development Corporation from whom the Foundation received substantial grants totalling £864,871 which are to be used:-

- as to £700,000 for the provision of community facilities at the new West Silvertown Primary School at Boxley Street, over and above the statutory mainstream educational facilities to be provided by the local education authority
- as to £28,522 towards the provision of health facilities at the new Village Hall currently under construction
- as to £136,349 to be used to assist tenants in local high rise flats as they are moved out to make way for demolition.

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In each case, grant agreements were concluded with the Corporation under which the Foundation is allowed to retain for its own purposes the interest earned from investing the grants together with underspends on the facilities to which they relate.

The Foundation also received donations from Peabody Trust, East Thames Housing Group, Wimpey and London Docklands Development Corporation totalling £30,934.

FUNDS AVAILABLE

The present level of funding is adequate to support the continuation of the Foundation's activities for the medium term and the Trustees consider the financial position of the Company to be satisfactory.

DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES

The members of the Trust Board who are deemed to be directors for the purposes of the Companies Acts and who served during the year are shown on page 1. There are no other trustees.

AUDITORS

The auditors, French and Company, will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the surplus or deficit of income over expenditure of the Company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and with applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements:

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- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. 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.

APPROVAL

This report, was approved by the Board on 9th September 1998 and signed on its behalf.

J B Parker and K F Arrenberg

Joint Secretaries

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WEST SILVERTOWN VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE WITHOUT SHARE CAPITAL

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We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 10 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 8.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 3, the charity's trustees who are also directors of the company for the purposes of Company law are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity'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 that 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.

OPINION

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 1998 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with provisions of the Companies Act 1985.

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Registered Auditors and Chartered Accountants

9 September 1998

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1998

		Year ended 31 March 1998			1997
	<u>Notes</u>	Restricted	<u>Unrestricted</u>	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES	•	004.074	20.004	005.005	400.000
Donations Membership fees	3	864,871	30,934 32	895,805 32	123,000 12
Interest	4	-	18,685	18,685	13,929
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TOTAL INCOME		864,871	49,651	914,522	136,941
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Direct charitable					
expenditure					
Grants	_	-	-	-	1,000
Community activities	5	· -	4,438	4,438	7,426
Other expenditure Management and					
administration	6	-	5,293	5,293	527
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		-	9,731	9,731	8,953
NET INCOME					
FOR THE YEAR		864,871	39,920	904,791	127,988
Funds brought forward	0	50,000	302,013	352,013	224,025
Release of restriction	2	(50,000)	50,000	-	-
FUNDS			 		
CARRIED FORWARD		864,871	391,933	1,256,804	352,013
		======	======		======

There were no other recognised gains and losses for the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

WEST SILVERTOWN VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE WITHOUT SHARE CAPITAL			
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 1998			4007
	Notes	£	<u>1997</u> £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	897,782	70,604
Cash at bank		360,822	291,842
		1,258,604	362,446
CREDITORS – Due within one year	. 8	1,800	10,433
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,256,804	352,013 ======
CAPITAL			
Unrestricted Funds		391,933	302,013
Restricted Funds	3	864,871	50,000
		1,256,804	352,013 ======

The financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985, applicable to small companies were approved by the board on 9 September 1998 and signed on its behalf.

M G A Lamb Trustee - Chair

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report and all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with Statement of Recommended Practice on Charity Accounts.

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

(b) Income and Expenditure

Income and expenditure are accounted for on an accruals basis.

2. ENDOWMENT

On 17 April 1995 the LDDC paid an endowment of £150,000 to the Foundation. The endowment agreement requires that the amount of the endowment is not reduced below £100,000 as at 31 March 1996 and £50,000 as at 31 March 1997. In the accounts for the year ended 31 March 1997 the sum of £50,000 was, therefore, included under restricted funds, and this is transferred to unrestricted funds in the year to 31 March 1998.

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3.	DONATIONS	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	1997 Unrestricted £
	Peabody Trust East Thames Housing Group Wimpey	- - -	10,434 20,000 250	50,000 23,000 50,000
	London Docklands Development Corporation	864,871	250	
		864,871 =====	30,934 =====	123,000
	The restricted funds have been provided For the following purposes:			£
	Community facilities at West Silvertown Primary School Fitting out medical centre at			700,000
	Village Hall Barnwood Court tenants compensation			28,522 136,349
				864,871 ======
4.	INTEREST			
	Interest arises from cash deposits.			
5.	COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES		£	<u>1997</u> £
	Firework display Community Arts Project Christmas Party		2,93 1,50	
			4,43	38 7,426

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6.	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		£	<u>1997</u> £
	Lottery bid costs Promotion Audit fees Other		2,217 2,000 1,044 32	- 507 20
	•		5,293 =====	527 ====
7.	DEBTORS – Due within one year		£	<u>1997</u> £
	Donations Other debtors – interest receivable		895,305 2,477	•
			897,782 =====	70,604
8.	CREDITORS – Due within one year		£	<u>1997</u> £
	Other creditors		1,800 =====	10,433 =====
9.	ANALYSIS OF FUND BALANCES BETWEEN THE NET ASSETS	Restricted	Unrestricted	<u>Total</u>
		£	£	£
	Net current assets	864,871 === ==	391,933 =====	1,256,804 ======