

LIFELINE OPTIONS CIC

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2022

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Company Information

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2022

DIRECTOR: Barbara Forbes

SECRETARY: David Forbes

REGISTERED OFFICE: Lifeline Options (CIC)
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51 Pinfold Street
Birmingham
B2 4AY

REGISTERED NUMBER: 05610834

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Report of the Directors

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2022

The Directors present their report with financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 November 2022.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was the provision of professional consultancy and personal advice on a wide range of matters concerning the integration of refugees into the world of business and employment.

Lifeline Options (CIC) focuses particularly on personal and professional rehabilitation and the numerous issues within the Asylum system which impact on this process.

DIRECTORS

The directors during the year under review were:

Mrs Barbara Forbes

Mr David Forbes

The beneficial interests of the directors holding office on 30 November 2022 in the issued share capital of the company were as follows:

Ordinary £1 shares	30.11.20	30.11.21	30.11.22
Mr David Forbes	1.00	1.00	1.00
Mrs Barbara Forbes	1.00	1.00	1.00

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Statement of Director's Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the profit or loss 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 that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statement 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 of safeguarding the assets of the company 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 476 of the companies Act 2006).

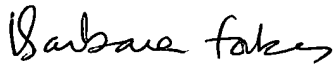
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Report of the Directors and Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2022

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to small companies' regime.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Barbara Forbes'.

Mrs Barbara Forbes-Director

Approved by the Board on: 22/08/2023

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Income Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2022

		30.11.20	30.11.21	
	Notes	£	£	£
REVENUE	2	13,245.00	11,061.97	11,375.00
Cost of sales		-	-	-
GROSS PROFIT		<u>13,245.00</u>	<u>11,061.97</u>	<u>11,375.00</u>
Administrative expenses		9,057.94	8,816.15	11,705.74
OPERATING PROFIT & LOSS		4,187.06	2,245.82	(330.74)
Interest receivable and similar income		-	-	-
Interest payable and similar charges		-	-	-
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		<u>4,187.06</u>	<u>2,245.82</u>	(330.74)
Tax on profit on ordinary activities				
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>4,187.06</u>	<u>2,245.82</u>	<u>(330.74)</u>
AFTER TAXATION				
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		<u>4,187.06</u>	<u>2,245.82</u>	<u>(330.74)</u>

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Balance Sheet

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2022

	No	30.11.20	30.11.21	30.11.22
		£	£	£
NON-CURRENT ASSETS				
Computer Equipment	-	-	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS				
Trade and receivables	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>9,127.61</u>	9,127.61	11,463.66	10,847.52
	9,127.61		11,463.66	10,847.52
NON- CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Trade payables		224.61	292.69	164.61
IR: PAYE & NI payable	-	224.61	-	164.61
NET ASSETS		<u>8,903.00</u>	<u>11,170.97</u>	<u>10,682.91</u>
Financed by:				
CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
Called up share capital		4,715.94	8,925.15	11,013.65
Profit and loss account		4,187.06	2,245.82	(330.74)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		<u>8,903.00</u>	<u>11,925.15</u>	<u>10,682.91</u>

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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to small companies' regime.

For the year ended 30/11/2022 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to small companies' regime.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:



Barbara Forbes.

22/08/2023

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Notes to the Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

2. REVENUE

The revenue represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding value added tax.

3. Capital and reserves

The capital structure is made of:

CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised:

Number:	Class	Nominal value	30.11.20	30.11.21	30.11.22
			£	£	£
1000	Ordinary	£	1000	1000	1000

Allotted, issues and fully paid:

Number:	Class	Nominal value	30.11.20	30.11.21	30.11.22
		£			
02	Ordinary	£	2	2	2

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Income Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2022

	30.11.20	30.11.21	30.11.22
	£ £	£ £	£ £
REVENUE	13,245.00	11,463.66	11,375.00
Cost of sale	-	-	-
GROSS PROFIT	13,245.00	11,463.66	11,375.00
Other income	-	-	-
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-
	13,245.00	11,463.66	11,375.00
Expenditure			
Staff Training	357.40	1,400.00	2,200.00
Office rent	307.73	-	-
Printing and Stationary	985.47	116.60	512.52
Software	772.03	951.09	1,113.19
Pc/printer consumable	1,522.70	282.17	3,003.10
Donation	383.74	-	321.01
Telephone	478.53	952.71	393.47
Post and packing	517.05	540.92	75.03
Bank Charges	99.18	66.58	177.57
General Expenses	431.99	2,283.86	730.14
Interpretation charges	-	129.95	730.14
Other Travel cost	195.41	157.27	-
Professional Fee	1,650.00	1,850.00	1,691.00
Business Insurance	280.14	-	-
Legal costs	189.00	15.00	125.86
Subsistence	806.00	60.00	1,151.00
Heat & Light	81.57	-	-
	9,057.94	8,816.15	11,705.74
LOSS (PROFIT)	4,187.06	2,245.82	(330.74)

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Community Interest Company Report

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**Company Name in
full**

Lifeline Options Community Interest Company

Company Number

05610834

Year Ending

(30/11/22)

(The date format is required in full)

Please ensure the company name is consistent with the company name entered on the accounts.

This template illustrates what the Regulator of Community Interest Companies considers to be best practice for completing a simplified community interest company report. All such reports must be delivered in accordance with section 34 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 and contain the information required by Part 7 of the Community Interest Company Regulations 2005. For further guidance see chapter 8 of the Regulator's guidance notes and the alternate example provided for a more complex company with more detailed notes.

(N.B. A Filing Fee of £15 is payable on this document. Please enclose a cheque or postal order payable to Companies House)

PART 1 - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

In the space provided below, please insert a general account of the company's activities in the financial year to which the report relates, including a description of how they have benefited the community.

During the year, Lifeline Options continued to concentrate on the long-term needs of former asylum seekers and other migrants with human rights renewal requirements, but also to pursue new iterations of longstanding asylum further submissions claims with the Home Office Further Submissions Unit or with the First Tier or Upper Tribunal where new appeal rights had been accorded. We also continued to link the latter cases with appeals to the Asylum Support Tribunal where rejections of submissions or appeals eventuated in discontinuation or refusal of Home Office support. Owing to a new High Court Guideline case, we were able, for the first time, to access fee waivers for Citizenship by Registration for UK born foreign national children who had passed the age of ten years, successfully concluding a dozen such cases during the year. Another gain in the Courts was new access to ILR for young adult dependents of parents half way through their ten-year long route to settlement. However, it seemed anomalous that this could not be accessed by minor dependents or by the parents themselves.

Meanwhile, we continued to handle a steady stream of Family Reunion appeals for Darfuri Sudanese, facilitated by our long-term Sudanese volunteer, Yasir. Under my supervision, he provided excellent legal arguments which usually one before the Judges and also continued to supply constant technical support. During the year, we began to be joined by another volunteer, Helge, a semi-retired College teacher of German origin who had been propelled into the immigration scene as a result of BREXIT and the sudden realisation that he was a "foreigner".

We continued to enjoy excellent relations with other voluntary sector organisations and with MPs. Coventry Refugee Centre collaborated on several difficult overlapping Further submissions and Support Discontinuation cases and, in particular we developed a new relationship with Joining Communities Together (JCT) also in Coventry, especially regarding one of our long term Nigerian clients who has chronic psychosis difficulties. Indeed, one of our stand-out achievements during the year was to finally gain Limited Leave in September on the ten-year route for another (in this case Ghanaian) client with psychiatric difficulties, who had been in the UK for over 20 years.

The other important breakthroughs for very long-term clients during the year also illustrated effective co-working. One was refugee status for an LGBT woman of Ugandan nationality with great support from a Methodist Minister currently leading "Journey LGBT" in Birmingham. Another was Refugee Status for a Nigerian Woman who, after many years of distress finally achieved refugee status through our advocacy backed up by Black Country Women's Aid. A third was a Syrian Woman whose father had purchased her a "golden visa" for Belize, inadvertently offering UK Visas and Immigration the opportunity to "offshore" her to that Central American ex-British colony despite proof that she had renounced the unwanted "citizenship". Here, the MP for Bradford West and her Immigration worker proved an invaluable support.

Despite the very low level of implementation of the post Windrush reforms, we continued to raise these at every opportunity in our advocacy on the many difficult cases we had to deal with. On one occasion this appeared to pay off. A sixty-four -year-old Cameroonian we had known for many years as the sponsored spouse of one of our female clients was technically out of time in his application for settlement on the basis of marriage. However, he was suffering the after-effects of a major stroke, which left him often unable to use modern means

of communication and, indeed, language. His wife had also had a stroke and her children were not close to him as their step-father. We managed to raise these issues in the context of the Ethical Decision-Making Model arising from the Windrush Reforms and his Settlement application was granted. This was thanks also to our having contacted our client's brother in Germany to put up the £2404 fee.

The extraordinarily harsh level of Home Office fees, the imposition of double taxation through the "Immigration Health Surcharge", the failure to provide Employers and Benefit Offices with Certificates of Application during the prolonged decision-making processes, were all aspects of inappropriate Home Office policy we challenged through our activity on the Fees Campaign of "Migrant Voice". The Nationality and Borders Bill, universally opposed in the migrant-supporting voluntary sector and among our fellow-members of the Immigration Law Practitioners Association, seemed to be temporarily blunted thanks to interventions in the House of Lords and even by a former Home Secretary/Prime Minister. We joined our voice, in particular to those of Churches Refugee Network and the Quaker Asylum and Refugee Network. In relation to particular sectors, we had correspondence with MPs and retired UK military on the deplorable response to the Afghan crisis and, before welcome aid was brought to the situation by the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, we dealt with several anxious queries by Ukrainian trapped in home Office bureaucracy in various parts of Europe.

Despite the political turmoil and policy confusions arising from the new Act, we believe we managed to stick to what we had identified as our core tasks over the year.

(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").

(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)

PART 2 – CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS – Please indicate who the company's stakeholders are; how the stakeholders have been consulted and what action, if any, has the company taken in response to feedback from its consultations? If there has been no consultation, this should be made clear.

- Birmingham City of Sanctuary
- RESTORE (Churches Together in Birmingham asylum and refugee befriending project)
- Halesowen Welcome (churches asylum welfare project)
- Coventry Refugee Centre
- Joining Communities Together (Coventry)
- RED CROSS West Midlands, Derby, Leicester
- Nottingham Refugee Forum/ Derby Refugee Forum
- Hope Housing and Hope Destitution (asylum seeker charities, Birmingham)
- Piers Road Centre (Beneficiary-led projects)
- Churches Refugee Network (Churches Together in Britain and Ireland)
- Quaker Asylum and Refugee Network
- Together with Refugees
- Migrant Voice
- OISC

There has been no General Consultation, but in our legal work we remain bound at all times by the regulatory provisions of the Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner and, as part of these provision, we are signed up with the ICO (Information Commissioner's Office)

(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").

PART 3 – DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION – if you have provided full details in your accounts you need not reproduce it here. Please clearly identify the information within the accounts and confirm that, "There were no other transactions or arrangements in connection with the remuneration of directors, or compensation for director's loss of office, which require to be disclosed" (See example with full notes). If no remuneration was received you must state that "no remuneration was received" below.

No remuneration was received by the Directors

PART 4 – TRANSFERS OF ASSETS OTHER THAN FOR FULL CONSIDERATION – Please insert full details of any transfers of assets other than for full consideration e.g. Donations to outside bodies. If this does not apply you must state that “no transfer of assets other than for full consideration has been made” below.

No transfer of assets other than for full consideration has been made

(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)

PART 5 – SIGNATORY (Please note this must be a live signature)

(DD/MM/YY)

The original report must be signed by a director or secretary of the company

Signed



Date

25/08/2023

Please note that it is a legal requirement for the date format to be provided in full throughout the CIC34 report.

Applications will be rejected if this information is incorrect.

Office held (delete as appropriate) Director/Secretary

You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite but if you do, it will help the Registrar of Companies to contact you if there is a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

Suite 421	
51 Pinfold Street	
Birmingham B2 4AP	
Tel 07759 957 295 / 0121 359 5435	
DX Number	DX Exchange

When you have completed and signed the form, please attach it to the accounts and send both forms by post to the Registrar of Companies at:

For companies registered in England and Wales: Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ
DX 33050 Cardiff

For companies registered in Scotland: Companies House, 4th Floor, Edinburgh Quay 2, 139
Fountainbridge, Edinburgh, EH3 9FF DX 235 Edinburgh or LP – 4 Edinburgh 2

For companies registered in Northern Ireland: Companies House, 2nd Floor, The Linenhall, 32-38
Linenhall Street, Belfast, BT2 8BG

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