

BRISTOL NIGHTS

STATUTORY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2011

Administrative information

Company Registration number 06420241

Bristol Nights was incorporated on 7th November 2007 as a private company limited by guarantee and registered as a charity on 17 April 2008, charity number 1123738. Liability is limited to £10 per member.

Correspondence address and registered office

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Website www.bristolnights.org.uk

Company Secretary Caroline J Virgo

In the last financial period the trustees, who are also directors under company law, were

Caroline J Virgo
David J Maggs
Sandra M O'Shea
Laura Barrow
Andrew Christaki (appointed 05 September 2011)

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BRISTOL NIGHTS

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2011

BRISTOL NIGHTS

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2011

Aim and purposes

The charity exists to provide a Christian presence and listening service to the night-time economy in the city centre of Bristol

Objectives, activities and achievements

The charity has now been established for three and a half years, during which time 64 regular volunteers have been involved in the work of the charity. A hospitality and listening service has been provided to the night-time economy of central Bristol on Friday and Saturday nights, covering a total of 48 weekend nights during the last 12 months, and serving somewhere in the region of six to seven thousand hot-drinks during the year. The service has been used by young people, sometimes needing significant support, public servants and other night-time workers. These activities have been endorsed by the police and Safer Bristol Partnership as a useful contribution to creating a positive and safer atmosphere.

Future developments and objectives

To continue to meet its objectives, the charity plans to continue maintenance of the bus, from which hot drinks are currently served, to maintain the safety and efficiency of the vehicle. The charity also intends to continue investing in volunteer training and support, to maintain and develop its volunteer base, with the aim that the project will eventually be able to operate every Friday and Saturday night of the year, if practical. We are exploring working in partnership with other agencies to develop a new night-time chaplaincy as well as investigating other partnerships with local agencies. The charity intends to continue working with local churches to develop sustainable volunteer teams and financial support.

Volunteers

A number of new volunteers have been trained during the year, of which six have become regular volunteers. Eight volunteers have stepped down during the year, resulting in a total decrease in regular volunteers to 45 (47 – 2010). The trustees wish to thank all those who have supported the charity as volunteers, without whose support the charity would not be able to operate.

Financial Review

Annual income has fallen compared with the prior period. The level of support from local churches has increased, despite a decrease to only four churches supporting the work of the charity during the year (seven – 2010). In contrast, total income from Trusts and one-off donations has decreased as compared to the prior year, some of this income related to grants only available for organisations in the first two years, which have therefore not re-occurred this year.

A new generator was installed on the bus during the year, resulting in increased costs in relation to bus repairs/maintenance, since this work was carried out the reliability of the vehicle has significantly improved. Payroll costs have continued to be £nil as the administration and co-ordination roles have been carried out exclusively by volunteers. Since the year end the trustees have appointed an individual to assist with these responsibilities and to help facilitate the future development of the charity. Additional funding will be needed to allow this post to continue on a long-term basis.

No expenses have been paid either to or for trustees during the year (2009 - none)

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TRUSTEES REPORT FOR YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2011... CONTINUED

Reserves policy

The trustees monitor the level of free reserves, with the aim to have sufficient reserves in place to cover operating costs for the charity for up to six months at any given time. At the end of the year, the charity had sufficient reserves to cover costs for up to nine months, based on expenditure to 31 March 2011. Given forecast expenditure for 2011-2012, this is in accordance with the trustees' objectives. However, the trustees have identified a need for additional income if the organisation is to develop in line with its strategic plan, any future development will therefore only be undertaken if appropriate funding can be secured.

Public Benefit

When planning activities for the year, the trustees have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. As outlined in the charitable objectives of the organisation, Bristol Nights exists for the benefit of the public and during the year it has acted in accordance with Christian principles to promote and preserve good health and relieve sickness and financial hardship, particularly by means of providing volunteers and a vehicle during night-time hours and by the provision of support in Bristol, in the form of refreshments and a listening service in the centre of Bristol on a weekend evening.

The charity is committed to serve the community without discrimination of religion, race, nationality, culture, age or on any other basis.

Structure, governance and management

Trustees are appointed in line with the articles of association and meet on a regular basis to make decisions on all matters of general concern, including deciding how the funds of the charity are to be spent. New trustees are recruited as the need arises, on the basis of experience and understanding of the charity and the sector in which it operates.

Audit and trustees responsibilities

For the year ended 31 March 2011 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

In preparing this trustees' report, advantage has been taken of the small companies' exemption.



L Barrow
Trustee
09 November 2011



D Maggs
Trustee
09 November 2011

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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2011

	<u>Year to 31 March</u> <u>2011</u>	<u>Year to 31 March</u> <u>2010</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£
From supporting churches	3,964	1,317
Grant/Trust Income	2,017	6,400
Regular gifts	0	1,225
Donations	50	500
Fundraising Income	0	0
Tax refunds	0	0
Bank Interest	0	0
Other Income	0	0
 Total receipts	 6,031	 9,442
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
Staff/payroll Costs	0	0
Employment taxes	0	0
Bus repairs/maintenance	2,866	1,927
Fuel	195	858
Security costs	543	155
Other equip & supplies	336	228
Insurance	351	1,867
Administration	755	350
Fundraising costs	213	174
Bank charges	91	95
Other costs	0	0
Training and volunteers	472	270
Chaplaincy project	29	0
 Total payments	 5,851	 5,925
 Surplus / (Deficit)	 180	 3,517
 Brought forward from prior year	 4,209	 692
Total assets	4,389	4,209

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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2011**ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

at period end.

	<u>31 March 2011</u>	<u>31 March 2010</u>
	£	£
Balance at HSBC Bank	4,389	4,209
Total assets	4,389	4,209
Represented by. Unrestricted Reserves	4,389	4,209

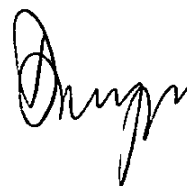
These financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the companies' act and in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

The accounts were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 09 November 2011



L Barrow
Director

Date 09 November 2011



D Maggs
Director

Date 09 November 2011