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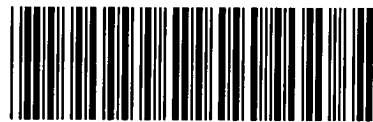
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The Little Society

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 August 2019

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Charity Information

Trustees

Canon Linda Ali
Mr John Graham
Mrs Lynn Tungate

Charity number

1141376

Company number

07565410

Principal and registered office

115 Fulford Road
York
YO10 4ET

Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc
Knightsbridge
London
SW1X 7BW

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 August 2019

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2019 and confirm they comply with the Charities Act 2011, the trust deed dated 15 March 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities (FRS102) SORP.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Little Society is a company limited by guarantee (number 07565410) and a charity established by Constitution and registered with the Charity Commission (registered charity number 1141376).

Appointment of Trustees

Under the Trust Deed, the appointment of new Trustees can only be made by the Founder, Mr J Graham (during his lifetime). Thereafter, the Trustees shall have power at any time to appoint any person to be a Trustee.

Charitable objectives

The objects of the Society are to provide grants and assistance to other organisations or for such purpose or purposes in any part of the world, limited to the following purposes -

- Providing or improving, or to assist in providing or improving recreational or leisure time facilities in the interests of social welfare in particular for the benefit of those who have need of such facilities because of their youth, age, infirmity, disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances;
- Providing advice and assistance in organising programmes of physical, educational, and other activities as a means of advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals, as well as advancing their education, and helping to relieve unemployment;
- To relieve financial hardship and sickness and to preserve and protect the health of people, particularly but not exclusively young people caring for or nursing a person with a physical or mental disability within the family or home by facilitating respite where appropriate through the provision of community based care attendance or assistance for them to take a break; and
- To advance education, particularly but not exclusively by providing or assisting in the provision of education opportunities and associated facilities to increase the life chances of people who are disadvantaged because of their youth, age, infirmity, disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances.

Trustees

The following members of the Trustees have held office since 1 September 2018:

Canon Linda Ali
Mr John Graham
Mrs Lynn Tungate

These Trustees constitute Directors of the Charitable Company for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006.

None of the Trustees had an interest in any of the Charity's contracts either during or at the end of the financial year.

Registered office

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York
YO10 4ET

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Donation making policy

The income of the Trust Fund is applied at the discretion of the Trustees, subject to the objects of the Society. Donations are accounted for when approved.

Reserves policy

Cash balances are maintained so as to be able to meet outgoing and donation obligations from time to time. The Society has the power to invest any funds that are not immediately required in any investments, securities or property.

Fundraising

Section 162a of the Charities Act 2011 requires charities to make a statement regarding fundraising activities. The legislation defines fundraising as "soliciting or otherwise procuring money or other property for charitable purposes". Such amounts are presented in our financial statements within "Donations and legacies" which includes donations from individual supporters, corporate donations and legacies.

In relation to the above, we confirm that all solicitations are managed internally, without the involvement of commercial participators, professional fundraisers or third parties. The day to day management of all income generated is managed by the Trustees.

Activities, achievements and performance

The Society continued to make grants and donations to various charities and organisations. In total 4 (2018 – 2) donations were made to three charities, as detailed in note 4.

Financial review

The Trustees are pleased to report a satisfactory year.

The amount of income during the year was £12,016 (2018 – £4) and the expenditure was £7,090 (2018 – £7,711). The charity continues to support a variety of children's causes and has funds of £15,954 to continue its activities on a reduced scale for the foreseeable future.

Plans for the future

The charity will look to continue to fund donations to charities and organisations where they comply with the charity's objectives; however Trustees have decided to reduce the charitable activities levels in the oncoming years, and consider it likely the charity will close in 2020.

Risk management

The Trustees do not consider that the Trust is exposed to any major risks and has sought to minimise exposure via the use of AAA bankers and by putting funds into low risk property assets which can also be used for charitable purpose.

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 August 2019 (Continued)

Trustees and their statutory responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also directors of The Little Society for the purpose of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

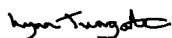
- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of the financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

21/06/2020

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on and signed on its behalf by:



Lynn Tungate
Trustee

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Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 August 2019

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
Income from:			
Donations		12,000	4
Other		16	-
Total income		12,016	4
Expenditure on:			
<i>Charitable activities:</i>			
- Direct charitable activities	4	7,090	7,711
Total expenditure		7,090	7,711
Net movement in funds for the year		4,926	(7,707)
Funds brought forward	6	11,028	18,735
Funds carried forward	6	15,954	11,028

The statement of financial activities includes all recognised gains and losses in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

All income and expenditure in the current and prior year was unrestricted.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirement for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 7 - 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2019


		2019	2018
	Notes	£	£
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		16,494	11,268
		16,494	11,268
Creditors:			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(540)	(240)
Net current assets		15,954	11,028
Net assets		15,954	11,028
Funds			
General – unrestricted	6	15,954	11,028

For the financial year ended 31 August 2019 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 Companies Act 2006. No member of the charitable company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 476, requiring an audit of these financial statements under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of the financial year and of its income and expenditure for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Financial Statements were approved by the Trustees on 21/06/2020 and signed on their behalf by:



Lynn Tungate
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 - 10 form part of these financial statements.

Company Registration Number: 07565410

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2019

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

1.1 Company information

The charity is limited by guarantee and does not have share capital. The liability of members is limited to £1 per member. The charity was incorporated in England and the registered office is 115 Fulford Road, York, YO10 4ET.

1.2 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS 102), the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

The Little Society meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

1.3 Going Concern

Subsequent to the year end the Trustees commenced discussions around the managed wind down of the charity. Although no formal decision has been made it is likely the charity will be wound down and the assets distributed inline with the charitable objects within 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. As all assets of the charity are liquid the measurement of assets and liabilities would not be impacted by the application of the alternative basis of accounting.

1.4 Income

Income in the Statement of Financial Activities is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attaching to the item(s) have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include administration, finance, information systems and governance costs which support the services providing support to disadvantaged children and families.

1.6 Grants

Grants payable are commitments (including payments) made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives of the charity. Single or multi-year grants are accounted for as grants payable when either the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive a grant and the Trustees have agreed to pay the grant without condition, or the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive a grant and any condition attaching to the grant is outside the control of the charity.

1.7 Fund accounting

The funds of the Charity are unrestricted with the Trustees having full discretion over their use.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2019 (Continued)

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

1.9 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity held for working capital. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowing in current liabilities.

1.10 Debtors

Prepayments and accrued income represent time apportioned expenses or income to be recognised in a future accounting period.

Debtors, other than those held at fair value through profit and loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting end date.

Debtors are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected. The impairment loss is recognised in the income and expenditure account.

1.11 Creditors, loans and provisions

Creditors, loans and provisions are recognised where the Society has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors, loans and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when, and only when, obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire.

Amounts recognised as provisions are best estimates of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

There are no estimates and assumptions which have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities.

3. Taxation

The Little Society is a registered charity and as such is a charity within the meaning of schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010. Accordingly, the Foundation is entitled to tax exemption under part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 in respect of income and gains arising.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2019 (Continued)

4. Expenditure on charitable activities:

	2019 £	2018 £
Grants and donations (note 5)	6,550	7,000
Supported holiday flat costs	-	228
<i>Support costs:</i>		
Accountancy	540	456
Legal and professional	-	-
Sundries	-	27
	7,090	7,711

All expenditure on raising funds and charitable activities in the current and preceding year related to unrestricted funds.

There were no staff employed by the charity in the current or preceding year.

	2019 £	2018 £
Grants and donations committed to institutions in the year:		
Accomplish Children's Trust	-	11,500
Heslington Church	8,00	-
SASH	-	(1,500)
Snappy	3,000	(1,500)
The Island	2,750	-
Young Carers	-	(1,000)
Other donations each individually less than £1,000	-	(500)
Grants and donations committed	6,550	7,000

<i>Reconciliation of grants and donations payable</i>	2019 £	2018 £
Commitments at 1 September 2018	-	4,500
Grants and donations committed in the year	6,550	7,000
	6,550	11,500
Grants and donations paid during the year	(6,550)	(11,500)
Commitments at 31 August 2019	-	-

To comply with Charities SORP (FRS 102) non-performance grants are reported in the SoFA on approval of application. In some cases payment may be spread over a period of time which gives rise to future commitments. These are reported as creditors and shown in note 5.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2019 (Continued)

5. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2019 £	2018 £
Accruals	540	240
	540	240

6. Unrestricted funds

	2019 £	2018 £
Balance at 1 September 2018	11,028	18,735
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	4,926	(7,707)
Balance at 31 August 2019	15,954	11,028

7. Capital commitments

At 31 August 2019 there were no capital commitments (2018 - £nil).

8. Related party transactions

During the year no trustees were reimbursed out of pocket expenses (2018 - 1 trustee was reimbursed expenses totalling £27).

During the year Mr John Graham, the Trustee, made a donation of £12,000 (2018 - £nil) to the Charity.