NAIRN CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU LIMITED

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

Charity Number SC023356

Company registration No.SC173195

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LEGAL AND ANDMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity number

SC023356

Registered office

6 High Street

Nairn IV12 4BJ

Directors

Anthony Dunbar (retired 31 March 2011) Easter Rodgers (retired 31 March 2011) John Fyfe (retired 31 March 2011)

Councillor Liz MacDonald

Dr Suzanne Fowlie (retired 30 June 2011) Gillian Maclean (retired 31 March 2011)

Rick Riley Philip McBride Ian Dickson Brenda Waterfield

Angela Veitch (appt 1ST Oct 2010) Gerry Robson (appt 1st Feb 2011)

Secretary

Gillian Maclean

Accountants

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Bankers

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DIRECTORS REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2011.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 25 February 1997. Revised Articles of Association were introduced in March 2011 to bring the constitution of the bureau into line with current Charity Law, Companies Law and Citizens Advice Scotland guidelines.

Directors of the company are appointed by the members at the AGM and are responsible for the general management, control and direction of the bureau. Officers of the company are appointed by directors at the first board meeting after the AGM. Directors are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Recruitment procedures are in place to ensure that new trustees appointed meet certain conditions and criteria and constitute the widest possible representation of the community served by the bureau. Induction procedures are also in place to ensure that new directors participate fully in bureau affairs. There are currently 7 board members who attend 5 board meetings throughout the year. The board meetings are also attended by the bureau manager, 2 volunteer representatives and 2 staff representatives. Day-to-day management of the bureau is delegated to a team of 3 full-time and 6 part-time staff led by Gillian MacLean, bureau manager. Generalist advice is supplied by 32 volunteer advisors.

None of the directors has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the directors are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The directors have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The aims of the Citizens Advice service are firstly to ensure that individuals do not suffer through ignorance of their rights and responsibilities, or of the services available, or through an inability to express their needs effectively and secondly to exercise a responsible influence on the development of social policies, both locally and nationally.

The Charity's objectives are to provide independent, free, confidential and impartial advice, information, and representation services that are readily accessible by and tailored to meet the needs of the local community. During the year the company continued to provide advice on a range of matters including welfare benefits, money advice, employment, housing advice, tax and consumer issues.

A 3 year business plan has been developed and objectives and activities are aligned to achieving the strategic goals of the bureau. Regular monitoring reports are submitted to the board to assess the achievement of the organisation's objectives.

DIRECTORS REPORT (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

This year has seen a further rise in the number of clients accessing our service. We have had in excess of 13,000 issues brought to the bureau which is a significant rise on last year. In order to meet this demand we have run two training courses for new advisers. More than £1,300,000 has been brought into the local community through Client Financial Gain across the service.

Thanks to stringent budget planning and successful bids for funding we have been able to sustain the current service provision.

Levels of debt continue to rise and the Money Advice Team has dealt with more than £1,573,221 worth of debt in the last year.

Early intervention by specialist housing and employment advisors has been shown to reduce the number of clients facing eviction, repossession and employment tribunals. Not only does this have a huge economic benefit for the country as a whole, it reduces the anxiety of the clients. Following a joint bid with Moray CAB to the Scottish Legal Aid Board (SLAB) we have been able to provide a specialist employment adviser who is able to represent clients at Employment Tribunals or through the new Judicial Mediation process. SLAB is also funding a Housing Specialist post which again enhances the service we can offer to the people of Nairn and district.

HMRC continue to fund another joint post with Moray CAB and this has seen more £400,000 CFG for clients of both bureaus.

Highland Council were once again our core funders and funding continues to be received from IASS. May I take this opportunity to thank both main and project funders for their generous support throughout the year.

Funding was received in July 2010 for an Armed Services Advice Project worker: a two year project funded across three Highland bureau by Poppy Scotland, to provide advice to members of the Armed Forces Community.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The results for the year show an overall surplus of £37,440 (2010 - £19,537). At the end of the year unrestricted funds carried forward total £38,946 and restricted funds stand at £87,734. Included in the restricted funds is a one off amount of £15,000 from Highland Council. This figure is to be used to cover a significant drop in funding and, in an emergency, will help go towards three to six months current activity expenditure.

In these uncertain times and to maintain our current service levels a proportion of the unrestricted funds have been incorporated into use for the 2011/2012 budget year. In accordance with the Highland Council contract, the Company is mandated to hold reserves of 25% (3 months) of the budgeted expenditure costs (These are referred to as "designated funds"). The directors will consider during the 2011/2012 budget year the current level of designated funds, within the unrestricted funds total, to ensure that, in the event of a further drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities whilst consideration is given to ways in which additional funding may be raised.

DIRECTORS REPORT (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

Moving forward, Nairn Citizens Advice Bureau Ltd has core funding secure until the end of March 2013 which will allow us to consolidate our expanded service. Nationwide project funding will facilitate a course of financial education, particularly but not exclusively, aimed at young people: a group particularly vulnerable during periods of economic difficulty.

Funding from Citizens Advice Scotland Development Committee will allow for structural reorganisation within the bureau which is essential as our service expands to meet the unprecedented demand.

We will continue to rely on project funding to support the generalist advice service we offer and will continue to seek ways of supplementing our current sources of funding.

Many thanks to my fellow directors for their support. Their expertise and tireless effort has built firm foundations for the future of the bureau as we face the challenging times ahead. Thanks also to the paid and unpaid staff who continue to work hard to deliver an excellent service to the people of Nairn and surrounding areas.

6 High Street Nairn IV12 4BJ Signed by order of the directors

Philip Ma Bride

Philip McBride Chair

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF NAIRN CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU LIMITED

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2011, which are set out on pages 6 to 13.

The report is made to the charity's board of directors, as a body, in accordance with the terms of engagement. My work has been undertaken to enable me to undertake an independent examination of the charity's accounts on behalf of the charity's board of directors and for no other purposes. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's board of directors as a body, for my work or for this report.

Respective responsibilities of directors and examiner

The charity's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) regulations 2006. The Charity's directors consider that the audit requirement of regulation 10(1)(a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the directors concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (a) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounting Regulations; and
 - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounting Regulations;

have not been met; or

(b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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RITSON YOUNG
Chartered Accountants

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2011 £	Total Funds 2010 £
INCOMING RESOURCE	S	~	-	~	-
Incoming resources from generating funds:	~				
Voluntary income	2	163	55,871	56,034	22,867
Investment income Incoming resources from	3	587	_	587	1,179
charitable activities	4	103,912	50,108	154,020	154,573
Other incoming resources	5	´ - -	, <u> </u>	´ –	742
TOTAL INCOMING					
RESOURCES		104,662	105,979	210,641	179,361
RESOURCES EXPENDE				.=	(4.50 (0.0)
Charitable activities	6	104,558	67,281	171,839	(158,628)
Governance costs	6	1,362		1,362	(1,196)
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		105,920	67,281	173,201	(159,824)
NET INCOMING					
RESOURCES BEFORE					
TRANSFERS		(1,258)	38,698	37,440	19,537
Transfer between funds		9,639	(9,639)		
NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE					
YEAR		8,381	29,059	37,440	19,537
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	i	30,565	58,675	89,240	69,703
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIE	D				~~~
FORWARD		38,946	87,734	126,680	89,240

The Statement of Financial Activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the companies act 2006.

BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2011

	2011			2010
	Note	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	10		42,634	32,800
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11	1,297 94,684		971 80,264
		95,981		81,235
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(11,935)		(24,795)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			84,046	56,440
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIE	ES		126,680	89,240
FUNDS Restricted funds Unrestricted funds	13		87,734 38,946	58,675 30,565
TOTAL FUNDS			126,680	89,240

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 (the Act) relating to the audit of the financial statements for the year by virtue of section 477, and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (i) ensuring that the company keeps adequate accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act, and
- (ii) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

These financial statements were approved by the directors and authorised for issue on, and are signed on their behalf by:

PHILIP McBRIDE

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, The Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005 and the Companies Act 2006.

Incoming resources

All Incoming resources including grants are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be qualified with reasonable accuracy.

There were no donated assets received by the charity. No amounts included in the financial statements and for services donated by volunteers.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Governance costs are those incurred in connection with the administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. As the charity is not registered for VAT all expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT where appropriate.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

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

Freehold land is not depreciated Freehold building Fixtures, fittings & equipment

- 2% straight line

- 33% straight line

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subject to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2011	Total Funds 2010
Donations	£	£	£	£
Scottish Citizen's Advice Bureaux		54,821	54,821	21,067
Rotary Club, Nairn	_	1,050	1,050	300
Nairn CAB Social Group	163	_	163	1,500
	163	55,871	56,034	22,867

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	2011	2010
	£	£	£
Bank interest receivable	587	587	1,179

4. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds	2011	2010
	£	£	£	£
Highland Council - Core funding	93,322	_	93,322	91,942
IASS funding	7,390	_	7,390	7,345
Moray Citizen's Advice Bureau	3,200	_	3,200	
HM Revenue and Customs	· -	42,659	42,659	32,935
Scottish Citizen's Advice Bureaux -				
EMPSW	_	7,449	7,449	22,351
	103,912	50,108	154,020	154,573

5. OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES

	Total Funds	Total Funds
	2011	2010
	£	£
Reimbursement of expenses	_	742

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

6. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Staff costs Do £	epreciation £	Other costs £	Total 2011 £
Charitable activities		-		
Activities undertaken directly Support costs	105,139 29,649	3,659	23,951 9,441	132,749 39,090
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Total	134,788	3,659	33,392	171,839
Governance costs	_	. -	1,362	1,362
	134,788	3,659	34,754	173,201

Governance costs include accountant's fee of £1,218 (2010 - £1,058)

Included in Activities undertaken directly are cleaning and maintenance costs of £6,821 (2010 - £6,874), electrical and oil costs of £2,482 (2010 - £1,939), rates £305 (2010 - £264), Insurance £704 (2010 - £727), Advertising £1,816 (2010 - £1,236), Travel costs £2,989 (2010 - £2,871), Telephone £2,989 (2010 - £2,235), general expenses (including recruitment costs) £2,277 (2010 - £844), room hire £110 (2010 - £102) and management costs £3,458 (2010 - £1,000).

7. Support costs

	2011	2010
	£	£
Other support costs	9,441	5,721
Staff costs	29,649	30,395
	39,090	36,116

Included in other support costs are travel expenses of £2,989 (2010 - £2,871), general expenses (including recruitment costs) of £2,277 (2010 - £844) and office supplies of £4,175 (2010 - £2,006)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

8. Directors

Gillian Maclean, director, was employed as Manager and received remuneration of £26,879 (2010 - £24,370) for her services to the year to 31 March 2011.

Anthony Dunbar, director, was employed as General Assistant and received remuneration of £3,636 (2010 - £nil) for his services to the year to 31 March 2011

During the year 4 directors received reimbursement of expenses of £799 (2010 -598)

9. STAFF COSTS AND EMOLUMENTS

Total staff costs were as follows:

2011	2010
£	£
124,769	121,251
10,019	10,622
134,788	131,873
	10,019

Particulars of employees:

The average number of employees during the year, calculated on the basis of full-time equivalents, was as follows:

	2011	2010
	No	No
Management	2	2
Money Advisor	1	2
Welfare Officer	1	1
General Assistant/Welfare officer	2	1
Project Worker	3	2
		
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No employee received remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year (2010 - Nil).

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	Total £
COST	-	-	-
At 1 April 2010	39,719	18,656	58,375
Additions	12,068	1,425	13,493
At 31 March 2011	51,787	20,081	71,868
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2010	9,595	15,980	25,575
Charge for the year	1,035	2,624	3,659
At 31 March 2011	10,630	18,604	29,234
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2011	41,157	1,477	42,634
At 31 March 2010	30,124	2,676	32,800

The fixed asset additions of £13,493 where subsidised by grants of £12,612 from Scottish Citizen's Advice Bureaux in connection to work on renovating the property and £1,050 from the Rotary Club for the purchase of equipment. These amounts are shown in the restricted funds in the Statement of financial activities.

11. DEBTORS

Prepayments and accrued income	2011 £ 1,297	2010 £ 971
12. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		
	2011	2010
Trade creditors	£ 149	£ 2,159
PAYE and social security	2,107	5,802
Other creditors	7,538	15,777
Accruals	2,141	1,057
	11,935	24,795

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

13. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balance of donations and grants held on trust of specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 Apr 2010	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Balance at 31 Mar 2011
	£	£	£	£	£
Assets fund	58,675	105,979	(67,281)	(9,639)	87,734
Assets fund	58,075	105,979	(67,281)	(9,639)	87,73

14. ANALYSIS OF ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Tangible fixed assets	Current assets £	Current liabilities £	Total £
Restricted Funds	42,634	52,225	(7,125)	87,734
Unrestricted Funds	, _	43,756	(4,810)	38,946
Total Funds	42,634	95,981	(11,935)	126,680

The restricted fund represents the centre building and equipment £42,634 (2010 - £32,800), £15,000 reserves held in accordance with the Service Delivery Contracts with Highland Council and £37,225 in the bank for six projects in the financial year. £7,125 of income received relates to 2012 financial year.

15. CONTROL

The charity is controlled by the directors on behalf of the members of the charity.

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

The following pages do not form part of the statutory financial statements.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

	2011	2010
INCOMING DESCUIDCES	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES VOLUNTARY INCOME		
Scottish Citizen's Advice Bureaux	54,821	21,067
Rotary Club, Nairn	1,050	300
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INVESTMENT INCOME		
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INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
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Scottish Citizen's Advice Bureaux - EMPSW	7,449	22,351
Moray Citizen's Advice Bureaux – SLAB	3,200	_
IASS funding	7,390	7,345
_	154.020	154,573
	154,020	134,373
OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES		
Other income	-	742
		
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	210,641	179,361
RESOURCES EXPENDED	 _	
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Wages & salaries	134,788	131,873
Rates & water	305	264
Light & heat	2,482	1,939
Cleaning and repairs	6,821	6,874
Insurance	704	727
Advertising	1,816	1,236
Non Nairn management costs	3,458	1,000
Recruitment	2,155	117
Travel, welfare and training	5,978	5,743
Telephone	2,989	2,235
Depreciation	3,659	2,943
Printing, stationery and postage	4,175	2,006
Sundry expenses	2,399	1,570
Room hire	110	102
	171,839	158,629
COVEDNANCE COSTS		
GOVERNANCE COSTS Audit fees	1 267	1,195
Audit 1603	1,362	1,193
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	173,201	159,824
NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR	37,440	19,537
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