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THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

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THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees Mrs P M L Jennings

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Cllr G Angiolini
Mrs A Burgar
Mrs D Castro
Mrs P Waters

Chair Mrs P M L Jennings

Centre Manager Mrs T Manfield

Secretary Mrs T Manfield

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THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

The trustees presents it's report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2008

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 1985 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005

Structure, governance and management

The charitable company is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association and was incorporated on 27 September 1990. The Memorandum and Articles of Association was amended by a resolution dated 22 November 1990. The charitable company ("the charity") was registered as a charity by the Charity Commission on 18 December 1990.

The charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee with a board of Trustees, who are also Directors of the charity for Companies Act purposes. There is no maximum number of Trustees that can be appointed but the minimum number is six. The Trustees meet a minimum of six times per annum to oversee the running of the organisation. Their responsibilities are defined in the Articles of Association. No remuneration is payable to the members of the Management Committee. Suitable candidates are identified and invited to join the Trustee body. Prospective Trustees are invited to attend the Centre and Trustees meetings to acquaint themselves with all aspects of the charity before they are formally invited to become Trustees.

Day to day activities are delegated to the manager and staff team. The Trustees regularly attend the centre and monitor activities

The members of the trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were

Mrs P M L Jennings

Mrs C Appleby

Cllr G Angiolini

Mrs A Burgar

Mrs D Castro

Mrs P Waters

Mrs M Cox

(Resigned 1 October 2007)

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

The directors of the charitable company ('the charity') are its Trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are referred to as the Trustees. A list of the Trustees are given on the Legal and Administration page to the financial statements. All of the Trustees named on that page served during the year. The board of Trustees has the power to appoint additional Trustees as it sees fit. Those Trustees appointed during the period plus one third of the existing Trustees must retire by rotation at the next Annual General Meeting. All retiring Trustees are eligible for re-election.

The Trustees have reviewed the risks associated with the business and there are two principal areas as follows

-the building tease was renewed for a period of 15 years in December 2005. Our insurers have provided advice on certain aspects of the building fabric and we have introduced a specific maintenance provision in these financial statements which will ensure that the appropriate costs of occupying the building are covered -in addition to the building we depend upon maintaining a good quality of staff to deal with the varying needs of our clients. We are investing time in training and also ensuring that the staff/client ratios remain favourable. Thus we have procedures in place to monitor remuneration and training levels.

THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

Objectives and activities

The principal objects of the charity are to advance the education of persons with learning difficulties and to offer opportunities to develop the intellectual capacity and abilities of such persons that they may achieve their full potential both as individuals and members of society

To meet the aims and objectives of providing Educational and Training opportunities, people with learning disabilities are sponsored by Statutory Services, Charities and other organisations to attend the Centre on specified days each week. The variety of activities offered include needlework, cookery, arts and crafts, woodwork, gardening, singing, basic numeracy, literacy and computer skills, discussion and group work. We also provide a nail and hair care service

We continue to maintain an experienced staff team, our staff to client ratio is set at a high level at all times. Supported by a team of volunteers, clients participate in activities and individual learning programmes. The size of the group will depend on the activity and where appropriate one-to-one support is given. In line with the recommendations of the Government's White Paper, "Valuing People", we offer a small day service which integrates wherever possible with mainstream community facilities.

The Trustees also wish to record their heartfelt thanks to the many volunteers without whom the charity would be unable to maintain the quality of service at the level of expenditure that is currently enjoyed

Achievements and performance

We aim to provide a safe, relaxed and stimulating environment where individuals can socialise, learn new skills and maintain existing skills. Most important of all is for our clients to enjoy a good quality of life that commands respect, dignity and choice

The programme of activities we offer changes every four months, in July, November and March. This gives clients the choice to access different activities and staff or remain the same. In August 2007 we were approached by Kent Brushes ti undertake labelling, sorting and packing of a variety of brushes that they manufacture. We undertook the paid contract on a trial basis and it has proved popular and successful with a number of clients. As with all our activities the philosophy of the Centre is based on the individual choice and this is always respected.

In addition to the activities offered within the Centre small groups access the community by using local shops, cafes and restaurants. Twice a week clients can go to a local sports centre to play badminton or use the gym

We have 56 clients on our register, who may choose to attend between 1 to 5 days a week, and our average daily attendance remains at 25

We have had no staff changes during the last year Training undertaken during the year has included First Aid and Safer Food - Better Business and Health and Safety in the Workplace, which includes Risk Assessments

Through Hertfordshire Careers Services we have offered work experience to pupils from local schools. We continue to provide placements to students who are undertaking Nursing or Social Work training and have a member of staff who is an approved Mentor.

Financial review

With the financial statements showing a virtual breakeven position, the Trustees have not designated additional funds to the contingency fund this year

THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The Trustees policy is to retain sufficient reserves to protect the Centre against the erosion or loss of non-operating income over the next five years. The reserves policy is reviewed on an annual basis.

The Trustees have designated funds to provide for the cost of maintenance that is required to the fabric of the charity's building. The provision exists in order to recognise that the building must be maintained to a "fit for purpose". Provisions will be made to the Fund in future to ensure that the level of the Fund meets the Centre's needs.

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the charity has the power to make any investment that the Trustees see fit

Plans for the future

The charity aims to maintain staffing ratios and skills at the existing level to ensure that a positive and enhancing service is provided to all clients who attend the centre

On behalf of the board of trustees

Mrs T. Manfield

Centre Manager/ Company Secretary

Dated 1 September 2008

THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees is responsible for preparing the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

Company law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its net income and expenditure for the year

In preparing these accounts, the trustees is required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable it to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY

We report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2008 set out on pages 6 to 13

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 249C of the Companies Act 1985. Our reporting work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an independent accountants' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members as a body, for our reporting work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

Respective responsibilities of trustees and reporting accountants

As described on page 7 the members of the charitable company's trustees, who are also the directors of The Waterside Centre, Kings Langley for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they consider that the company is exempt from an audit. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures designed to enable us to report our opinion.

Basis of opinion

Our work was conducted in accordance with the Statement of Standards for Reporting Accountants, and so our procedures consisted of companing the accounts with the accounting records kept by the company, and making such limited enquiries of the officers of the company as we considered necessary for the purposes of this report. These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion

- (a) the accounts are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the charitable company under section 221 of the Companies Act 1985,
- (b) having regard only to, and on the basis of, the information contained in those accounting records
 - (i) the accounts have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the accounting requirements specified in section 249C(6) of the Act, and
 - (ii) the charitable company satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the accounts for the year specified in section 249A(4) of the Act and did not, at any time within that year, fall within any of the categories of companies not entitled to the exemption specified in section 249B(1)

Howard Wilson

Howard Wilson

Chartered Accountants Reporting Accountants 36 Crown Rise Watford Herts WD25 ONE

Dated 1 September 2008

THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Total 2008	Total 2007
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources from generated funds	110100	~	~	-	~
Voluntary income	2	192,972	_	192,972	200,130
Activities for generating funds	_	4,528		4,528	6,739
Investment income	3	1,142	-	1,142	933
		198,642		198,642	207,802
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	16,531	•	16,531	
Other incoming resources	4 5	249	-	249	14,609 102
	•				
Total incoming resources		215,422	•	215,422	222,513
Resources expended	6				
Costs of generating funds					
Fundraising costs		136	•	136	886
Net incoming resources available		215,286		215,286	221,627
		<u></u>	·	•	
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		223,718	8,852	232,570	220,176
Governance costs		1,058	•	1,058	1,058
Total resources expended		224,912	8,852	233,764	222,120
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/					
Net movement in funds		(9,490)	(8,852)	(18,342)	393
Fund balances at 1 April 2007		89,549	38,000	127,549	127,153
Fund balances at 31 March 2008		80,059	29,148	109,207	127,546
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The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 1985

THE WATERSIDE CENTRE, KINGS LANGLEY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2008

		20	08	200	07
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	12	17,400		16,698	
Cash at bank and in hand		94,171		113,566	
		111,571		130,264	
Creditors, amounts falling due within					
one year	13	(2,364)		(2,718)	
Total assets less current liabilities			109,207		127,546
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds				•	
Designated funds	14		29,148		38,000
Other charitable funds			80,059		89,546
			109,207		127,546

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 249A(2) of the Companies Act 1985, for the year ended 31 March 2008. No member of the company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 249B(2), requiring an audit of these accounts.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221 of the Act, and

(b) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at 31 March 2008 and of its profit for the year then ended in accordance with section 226, and otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company

The accounts were approved by the Board on 1 September 2008

Mrs PM'L Jennin

Trustee

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

1 Accounting policies

11 Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention

The charitable company has followed the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2005)

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small charity

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 1985

The Charitable Company has followed the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2005)

12 Incoming resources

The charitable company's policy is to recognise all incoming resources on a receivable basis

1.3 Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis inclusive of VAT

1.4 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the period of the lease

1.5 Accumulated funds

Unrestricted Funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the note to the financial statements.

1 6 Company status and members liability

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and not having any share capital. The extent of the liability of the members of the company on a winding up is limited to a maximum of one pound each. The company is also a registered charity and accordingly no liability to corporation tax arises on the financial statements.

The charitable company has an exemption under section 30(5) of the Companies Act 1985 from using 'Limited' in the title

1.7 Taxation

The activities of thye charity are exempt from Corporation Tax under Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 to the extent that they are applied to the organisation's charitable objects

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1	Accounting Policies	(0	continued)
1.8	Fixed Assets Where capital items are acquired through donations received, those assets are purchase. In the year ended 31 March 2008 there were capital purchases of £1 off		
2	Voluntary income		
		2008 £	2007 £
	Donations and gifts	192,972	200,130
	Donations and gifts Unrestricted funds		
	Sponsorship income	185,839	193,498
	Donations	7,133	6,632
		192,972	200,130
3	Investment income		
		2008	2007
		£	£
	Interest receivable	1,142	933
			
4	Incoming resources from charitable activities		
		2008	2007
		£	£
	Activities and outings Lunch receipts	2,567 13,964	585 14,024
		16,531	14,609

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5	Other incoming resources				
				2008	2007
				£	£
	Other income			249	102
6	Total resources expended				
	Total resources expended	Staff	Other	Total	Total
		costs	costs	2008	2007
		£	£	£	£
	Costs of generating funds				
	Fundraising costs	-	136	136	886
	Charitable activities				
	Charitable activities				
	Activities undertaken directly	191,321	41,249	232,570	220,176
	Governance costs	<u> </u>	1,058	1,058	1,058
		191,321	42,443	233,764	222,120
7	Fundraising costs				
				2008	2007
	Other costs comprise			£	£
	Fundraising costs			136	886
				136	886

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8	Activities undertaken directly		
	•	2008	2007
		£	£
	Other costs relating to charitable activities comprise		
	Unrestricted funds:		
	Material costs	3,890	6,530
	Lunches	9,324	9,483
	Rent	3,500	3,313
	Light, heat and water	4,570	4,062
	Repairs and renewals	1,663	2,241
	Printing, postage and stationery	184	240
	Telephone	373	325
	Insurance	3,180	3,218
	Equipment hire	1,610	1,695
	Legal and professional	1,193	999
	Staff training	•	482
	Activities and outings	1,654	1,526
	Sundry expenses	1,256	1,199
	Equipment purchases	-	1,582
	Designated funds:		
	Repairs and renewals	8,852	-
		41,249	36,895
9	Governance costs		
		2008	2007
		£	£
	Other governance costs comprise		
	Accountancy	1,058	1,058
		1,058	1,058

10 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year

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Number of employees The average monthly number of employees during the year was	2008 Number	
The average monthly number of employees during the year was		
	Number	2007
	Mannber	Number
Direct charitable work	13	12
Management	2	2
Administrative	1	1
	16	15
Employment costs	2008 £	2007 £
Wages and salaries	178,379	171,216
Social security costs	12,942	12,065
Coolar Goodiny Goods		
	191,321	183,281
13 members of staff were part time (2007 13)		
There were no employees whose annual emoluments were £60,000 or more		
12 Debtors	2008	2007
	£	£
Trade debtors	16,259	15,570
Prepayments and accrued income	1,141	1,128
	17,400	16,698
13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2008 £	2007 £
Accruals	2,364 	2,718

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14 Designated funds

	Movement	in funds	
Balance at 1 April 2007	incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2008
£	£	£	£
38,000	-	(8,852)	29,148
38,000	<u>-</u>	(8,852)	29,148

The contingency fund has been established to provide for the cost of maintenance that is required to the fabric of the charity's building. The provision exists in order to recognise that the building must be maintained to a "fit for purpose" level for the period of the lease which was renewed for a period of 15 years during the year. Provisions will be made to the Fund in future to ensure that the level of the Fund meets the Centre's needs

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2008 are represented by			
Current assets	73,571	38,000	111,571
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	6,488	(8,852)	(2,364)
	80,059	29,148	109,207
			

16 Commitments under operating leases

At 31 March 2008 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows

	Land and bւ	Land and buildings		
	2008	2007		
	£	£		
Expiry date				
In over five years	3,500	3,500		