Felixstowe Area Community Transport LTD (FACTS)

ANNUAL REPORT and ACCOUNTS

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FELIXSTOWE AREA COMMUNITY TRANSPORT LTD FACTS

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Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting of Felixstowe Area Community Transport Ltd.

To be held on Monday July 6th 2009 at 7.30pm at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Agenda

- 1. Welcome to Visitors
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Minutes of the AGM held on Monday 30th June 2008
- 4. Chairman's Report
- **5. Consideration of the Examined Accounts** For the year to 31st March 2009
- 6. Election of Directors

There are 3 Directors seeking re-election

- Mr G Stirrat
- Mr D Carpenter
- Mr C Wheddon

Note: The Directors shall report on their activities to the Quarterly Extraordinary General Meetings. All subscriber members are entitled to attend and vote on the business of the Company at these meetings.

- 7. A.O.B
- 8. Date of Next AGM

FACTS - Felixstowe Area Community Transport Ltd

Registered Office: The Portakabin, Garrison Lane Car Park, Felixstowe, IP11 7SH Tel: 01394 282857 Company Number 4710761 (Registered in England) Registered Charity Number 1098025

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at The Senior Citizens Centre, Broadway House, Orwell Road, Felixstowe on Monday 30th June 2008 at 7-30pm.

Present:

Chris Wheddon Cllr Ann Rodwell

Cllr-Mike Deacon and Annie Deacon

Cllr Doreen Savage Clir Sandra Bryant Clir Ian Angus Richard Holland

Derek Cocker Peter Mellor

Tony Thurkettle

Margaret Lamacraft

Miriam Taylor **Bob Knights Bob Nice** David Crerar

Peter Woodmass Richard Kellar

Tom Harden Gordon Rodwell Dennis Carpenter Chairman and Company Secretary

Chairman of Suffolk County Council

Mayor and Mayoress of Felixstowe

Felixstowe Town and District Councillor Felixstowe Town and District Councillor

Levington Parish Councillor

Felixstowe Old Peoples Welfare Assn

Suffolk County Council

FACTS Treasurer

FACTS Independent Financial Examiner

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Visitor **FACTS Minutes Secretary**

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Angel Goodman, Cllr Joan Sennington, Cllr John Goodwin, Jean Lynch and Gordon Stirrat.

3. Minutes of the Previous AGM

The minutes of the previous AGM held on 25th June 2007 were agreed and signed as a true record. (Proposed by Bob Knights, seconded by Richard Kellar.)

4. Introduction to FACTS

David Crerar gave a brief introduction to FACTS, during which he made the following points:

- FACTS had been formed in 1991 to provide transport for people unable to use the public transport system;
- The principal areas it covers are Felixstowe, the Trimleys. Kirton and Falkenham:
- The main service that FACTS operates is a pre-booked Dial-a-Ride service.
- It has expanded to include other transport services to individuals and groups, including the community car scheme;
- FACTS currently has four vehicles, all of which can carry wheelchairs;
- All drivers and passenger assistants work to nationally agreed standards;
- FACTS is mainly a voluntary organisation offering a professional service to its customers.

5. Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave the following report:

"The objective of the Company is to provide a community transport service for the inhabitants of the Felixstowe Peninsular and its neighbourhood who are in need of such services because of age, sickness, disability, poverty or because of lack of adequate public passenger services. We are committed to operating our service to the highest standard of safety, reliability, and care for our users and volunteers.

"The company provides a Dial a Ride, Community Car and a Feeder Service with the support of, and in partnership with, Suffolk County Council. We also operate a Group Hire Service which is self financing. These services are provided by 52 voluntary and 3 part-time salaried staff.

"I am pleased to report that the company has had a satisfactory trading year. The Dial a Ride service which on average carries 650 passengers and covers 1600 miles per month made a very small deficit. The Community Car and the Peninsular Feeder service meet their expected budget outturn and the Group Hire made a healthy surplus. However provision for depreciation for our fleet of vehicles leaves our operating position in deficit by approximately £7400.

"We have also incurred additional costs for the provision, positioning and servicing of the new office Portakabin. However, the new office has proved to be very practical and is appreciated by all the staff. At time of this report the company does not have an agreed lease for its offices from Suffolk Coastal District Council.

"During the past year the Management Committee has undergone some change. The Chairman Gordon Stirrat and Treasurer Angel Goodwin resigned. FACTS owes a debt of gratitude to both Gordon and Angel for their professional hard work, dedication and contribution over many years. Peter Mellor has been elected Treasurer and Dennis Carpenter has also joined the Management Committee. On 30th June Jean

Leitch and David Crerar gave notice that they will be relinquishing their directorships in FACTS. Jean has been Membership Officer for 8 years and David has been the Training Officer for 10 years.

"A detailed analysis of FACTS operations was conducted during late 2007 and a report of this analysis was made to the Management Committee in January 2008. The report recognised that the FACTS vehicle fleet could not be replaced from reserves when the vehicles needed to be scrapped. It also considered how FACTS would react to the Community Transport regime being organised on a contract tendering basis. Of major concern is the lack of tenure of our Office accommodation caused by problems in agreeing suitable terms.

"The following recommendations were agreed by the Management Committee:-

- 1) To phase out FACTS vehicles for replacements provided by Suffolk County Council.
- 2) To urgently conclude negotiations with Suffolk Coastal District Council for the lease of the space for our offices.
- 3) To apply for a Section 22 to run scheduled services.
- 4) To form an Ad Hoc committee to explore new business, including services to Ipswich Hospital and the Resource Centre at Orwell High School.

"FACTS has a strong balance sheet, it has excellent volunteers and salaried staff. The Management Committee will be strengthened so overall the Company will be in tune and in shape for the inevitable changes that the future will bring."

6. Consideration of Examined Accounts

The Chairman explained that to save costs it had previously been decided that the accounts had been examined by an Independent Examiner, Tony Thurkettle, rather than an Auditor.

Tony Thurkettle reported to the meeting that the accounts were in order and met all the requirements of company and charity legislation.

The Chairman'added that if FACTS was forced to move to other premises because it was unable to obtain a new lease on satisfactory terms then this could lead to financial problems in the future.

It was proposed by David Crerar and seconded by Richard Kellar that the accounts together with the Trustees Annual Report be accepted. This was agreed unanimously.

7. Election of Directors

The following Directors were proposed by Margaret Lamacraft and seconded by Richard Kellar:

Mr G Stirrat; Dr C Wheddon; Mr D Carpenter.

This was agreed unanimously.

8. Any Other Business

8.1 Transport for Young People

Cllr Doreen Savage raised the issue of the lack of public transport for young people travelling of an evening. It was agreed that Cllr Savage would be invited to a meeting of the Ad-Hoc Group so that the issue could be discussed in detail.

8.2 Mayor's Thanks

The Mayor, Cllr Mike Deacon, said he was pleased to have been invited to the meeting, and thanked all those involved in FACTS for the valuable work they carried out. He said that without the work of FACTS large numbers of people would be unable to travel and the quality of their lives would be diminished.

The Chairman thanked the Mayor for his remarks.

9. Date of Next AGM

It was agreed that this would be held on Monday 29th June 2009.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

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Balance Sheet

Felixstowe Area Community Transport Limited Registered Charity No. 1098025 Company Registration No. 4710761

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees/Directors

I report on the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31st March 2009.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

In your role as trustees/directors you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply and that an independent examination is appropriate.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the Act), to follow the procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of my report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees 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 connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act, and
 - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met, or

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

A.G. Thurkettle Independent Examiner

8th June 2009

12 Westmorland Road Felixstowe, Suffolk

Felixstowe Area Community Transport Limited Registered Charity No. 1098025 Company Registration No. 4710761

Trustees Annual Report

The trustees are please to present their report together with the financial accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st of March 2009.

The company, which is limited by guarantee, operates under the terms of its memorandum and articles of association and in accordance with the requirements of the Charity Commission.

It is structured to provide various transport services for the benefit of those in Felixstowe and Felixstowe Peninsular who are in need of such services because of age, sickness, disability, poverty or because of the lack of adequate public services.

These services are provided under the working name of "FACTS".

The trustees/directors who manage the charity are: Gordon Stirrat Dennis Carpenter Christopher Wheddon

Trustees are appointed in accordance with company articles and representatives of staff, volunteers, users and our partners Suffolk County Council also attend the meetings of the Management Committee. The Charity has again performed to benefit of its users and to the highest of ethical standards. The success of our operations is built on the hard work and enthusiasm of our small staff and our volunteers. This financial year we have experienced cost pressures in the form higher energy, fuel, accommodation and staff costs which have impacted on profitability. However we have adequate capital reserves to cover necessary fixed assets.

The accounts have been independently examined in accordance with current company and charity legislation.

Signed on behalf of the trustees

Dr C Wheddon OBE ScD FREng FIET FBCS CEng CITP

Company Secretary

Accountants' Report

Under the Small Companies Provision the Financial Statements for the period ended 31 March 2009 have been prepared from the books, records and information supplied, together with explanations given and are in accordance therewith. In our view the Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31March 2009 and of its operating deficit for the period then ended.



Notes to the accounts for the period ended 31 March 2009

Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards on the historical cost basis.

Depreciation

Depreciation and amounts written off are calculated so as to write off the cost of fixed assets over their estimated useful lives at the following rate:-

Office (Port cabin) 20% straight line Equipment 20% straight line All Vehicles 20% straight line

Capital Reserve

The capital reserve represents funds set aside for Capital expenditure, these funds are held in a separate deposit bank account (COIF Account).

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AMA Date 18 May 2009

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Examiner instead of Auditor

For the year ended 31 March 2009, the company was entitled to exemption under section 249a(1) of the Companies Act 1985. No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 249b(2). The directors acknowledge their responsibility for: I) Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221; and II) Preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its profit & loss for the financial year in accordance with section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts so far as applicable to the company.

FELIXSTOWE AREA COMMUNITY TRANSPORT LIMITED Income & Expense a/c for the year ended 31 March 2009

| Dial a Ride Service | <u>£</u> | <u>£</u> . |
|--|-----------------|---|
| Income: | | |
| Fares | 8740 | |
| Donations . | 278 | |
| Vehicle Hire | 0 | |
| Interest on Deposits | 5 | • |
| Other Grants (BSOG) | 1583 | |
| SCC Grant | <u>15335</u> | 25941 |
| Expense: | | |
| Staffing: | | |
| Salaries | 9994 | |
| Employers NIC | 648 | |
| Expenses | 519 | |
| Training | 105 | |
| Drominas | | |
| Premises: Rent & Rates | 1057 | |
| Heat & Light | 1205 | |
| Maintenance & Cleaning | 1509 | • |
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| Office: | . • | . ' |
| Postage | 12 4 | |
| Telephone & Internet | 686 | |
| Printing, stationery & copying | 278 | |
| Insurance | 988 | |
| Office equipment maintenance | 145 | |
| Publicity | 0 | |
| Accountancy & Audit | 1600 | |
| Legal | 400 | |
| Membership subscriptions | 158 | |
| Vehicle: (YW) | | : |
| Insurance & Recovery | 735 | • |
| Fuel | 2965 | |
| Maintenance | 3505 | |
| Road Tax | 165 | |
| Equipment , | 7 | |
| Hire | <u>o</u> | <u> 26793 </u> |
| Deficit before Depreciation | | 852 |
| Less Depreciation | | 8240_ |
| according to the second | | <u> </u> |
| Surplus / Deficit for the year | | <u>-£9,092</u> |

FELIXSTOWE AREA COMMUNITY TRANSPORT LIMITED Income & Expense a/c for the year ended 31 March 2009

| Community Car Service | <u>£</u> | <u>£</u> |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Income: | | _ |
| Grant - Revenue Grant - Admin | 1746 <u>1048</u> | 2794 |
| Expense: | | |
| Service Cost Admin Cost | 1746 <u>1048</u> | <u>2794</u> |
| Surplus / Deficit for the year | | <u>£0</u> |

FELIXSTOWE AREA COMMUNITY TRANSPORT LIMITED Income & Expense a/c for the year ended 31 March 2009

| Group Hire | <u>£</u> | <u>£</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Income: | | |
| Car Hire | 3266 | |
| Kestrel Hire | 14857 | • |
| Kangoo Hire | 3624 | |
| Peugeot Hire | 8594 | |
| SCDC Grant (Revenue) | 510 | |
| Other Grant (BSOG) | 226 | |
| Donations | <u>450</u> | 31527 |
| Expense: | | |
| Salaries | 8142 | |
| Employers NIC | 189 | |
| Driver Payments | 4521 | |
| Telephone | 382 | |
| <u>Vehicles:</u> | | |
| <u>Kestrel</u> | | |
| Insurance & Recovery | 1264 | |
| Fuel | · 1717 | |
| Maintenance | 4148 | |
| Road Tax , | 165 | • |
| Peugeot: | | |
| Insurance & Recovery | 715 | |
| Fuel | 1165 | |
| Maintenance | 487 | |
| Road Tax | 185 | |
| <u>Kangoo</u> | | 4.4 |
| Insurance & Recovery | 603 | • |
| Fuel | 821 | • |
| Maintenance | 1115 | |
| Road Tax | <u>120</u> | 25739 |
| | | |
| Surplus before Depreciation | | 5788 |
| Less Depreciation | | <u>5127</u> |
| • | | |
| Surplus / Deficit for the year | | <u>£661</u> |

FELIXSTOWE AREA COMMUNITY TRANSPORT LIMITED

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2009

| Fixed Assets | Cost | Additions | Chg for the year | <u>Total</u> dep'n | <u>Net Book</u> <u>Value</u> |
|---|------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Office Portacabin | 22847 | 0 | 4568 | 13940 | 8907 |
| Kestrel | 52953 | 0 | 1107 | 52953 | 0 |
| vw | 18170 | 0 | 3632 | 13319 | 4851 |
| Kangoo | 12410 | 0 | 0 | 12410 | 0 |
| Peugeot | 20098 | 0 | 4020 | 12060 | 8038 |
| Equipment | <u>3359</u> | <u>o</u> | <u>40</u> . | 3199 | 160 |
| | 129477 | 0 | 13367 | 107881 | 21956 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Debtors & Prepayments | | | 2600 | | |
| Cash on Deposit a/c | | | 59324 | | |
| Cash at Bank | | | 1404 | | |
| Petty Cash | | | <u>Q</u> _ | | |
| | | | 63328 | | |
| Creditors & Accruals due wit | hin one year | | <u>1218</u> | | |
| Net Current Assets | | | | | 62110 |
| Total Assets less Current Li | <u>abilities</u> | | | | £84,066 |
| Represented by: | | | | | |
| Reserves Restricted Funds | | | | | |
| Funds set aside for Capital E | xpenditure | | 59324 | | |
| Unrestricted Funds Income & Expense a/c | | | 24742 | | |
| meome a expense a/c | | | 44/44 | | |

Examiner instead of Auditor

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£84.066

Signed

C Wheddon (Director)

Signed.....

Total Funds

A Thurkettle (Examiner)

FELIXSTOWE AREA COMMUNITY TRANSPORT LIMITED

| Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2009 | | | | | |
|--|--------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Fixed Assets | Cost | Additions | Chg for the year | <u>Total</u> dep'n | <u>Net Book</u> <u>Value</u> |
| 1.17.0-4.7,5-7-7-3 | | | | | |
| Office Portacabin | 22847 | 0 | 4568 | 13940 | 8907 |
| Kestrel | 52953 | 0 | 1107 | 529 53 | . 0 |
| vw | 18170 | 0 | 3632 | 13319 | 4851 |
| Kangoo | 12410 | 0 | . 0 | 12410 | 0 |
| Peugeot | 20098 | 0 | 4020 | 12060 | • |
| Equipment | <u> 3359</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>40</u> | <u>3199</u> | |
| | 129837 | 0 | 13367 | 107881 | 21956 |
| | | | | | |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Debtors & Prepayments | | • | 2600 | | |
| Cash on Deposit a/c | | • | 59324 | | |
| Cash at Bank | | | 1404 | | |
| Petty Cash | | | <u>o</u> | | |
| · | | | 63328 | | |
| • | | | | | |
| Creditors & Accruals due within one year | | | <u>1218</u> | | |
| | | | • | | 62110 |
| Net Current Assets | | | | | . 02110 |
| Total Assets less Current Liabilities | | | | £84, <u>ú66</u> | |
| | | | | | 4 |
| | | | | | |
| Represented by: | • | | | | |

Reserves

Restricted Funds

Funds set aside for Capital Expenditure

59324

<u>Unrestricted Funds</u> Income & Expense a/c

24742

Total Funds

£84,066

FELIXSTOWE AREA COMMUNITY TRANSPORT LIMITED

Income & Expense a/c for the year ended 31 March 2009

| Summary | <u>Income</u> | Expense | <u>Surplus /</u> <u>Deficit</u> |
|--|---------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| Dial-a-Ride | 25941 | 26 79 3 | -852 |
| Community Car Service | 2794 | 2794 | 0 |
| Group Hire | <u>31527</u> | <u>25739</u> | <u>5788</u> |
| Operating Result | 60262 | 55326 | 4936 |
| Plus: | | | |
| Sundry Income | 850 | - | 850 |
| Donations Received | 2850 | | 2850 |
| Interest on Deposit a/c | 2113 | | 2113 |
| Training for Clients | <u>0</u> | | <u>0</u> |
| | | | |
| Total Income & Expense before Depreciation | 66075 | <u>55326</u> | 10749 |
| Less Depreciation | | | <u>-13367</u> |
| | | ٠, | |
| Total Operating Surplus / Deficit | | | <u>-£2,618</u> |