# **Northaw Transition CIC**

# Directors' Report and Unaudited Financial Statements for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2020

Company Registration No: 07791387

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# **Northaw Transition CIC**

# **Company Information**

**Directors** 

Jane Brook

Angelina Khan

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**Company Number** 

07791387

**Registered Office** 

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EN6 4NS

#### **Northaw Transition CIC**

## **Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020**

	2020	2019
Notes	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	0	0
Current Assets – cash at bank and in hand	4,726	3,956
Prepayment and Accrued Income (Debtors)	656	492
Creditors – amounts falling due within one year	0	0
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	5,383	4,448
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	<u>5,383</u>	<u>4,448</u>
Creditors – amounts falling after more than one year	0	0
Net Assets	<u>5,383</u>	<u>4,448</u>
Capital and Reserves	5,383	4,448

For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 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 accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the period ended 31 December 2020

- 1. Accounting policies
- a) Accounting convention

The financial statement is prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Small Entities (effective 2008)

## b) Compliance with Accounting Standards

The financial statement has been prepared in accordance with the applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) which have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated)

#### c) Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life

5,218

## 2. Operating surplus/Deficit

As at 31st Dec 2019

The operating surplus (deficit) is stated after charging	£
Depreciation – owned asset	0

3.	Tangible Fixed Assets	Plant and machinery £	
4.	Debtors	0	
	Insurance prepayment	656	
5.	Reserves		
	At 1st January 2020	4,448	
	(Deficit)/Surplus for the year)	770	
	Corporation Tax	0	

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# **CIC 34**

# **Community Interest Company Report**

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capitals.	Year Ending	31 <sup>St</sup> December 2020

This template illustrates what the Regulator of Community Interest Companies considers to be best practice for completing a simplified community interest company report. All such reports must be delivered in accordance with section 34 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 and contain the information required by Part 7 of the Community Interest Company Regulations 2005. For further guidance see chapter 8 of the Regulator's guidance notes and the alternate example provided for a more complex company with more detailed notes.

## PART 1 - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

In the space provided below, please insert a general account of the company's activities in the financial year to which the report relates, including a fair and accurate description of how they have benefited the community, or section of the community, which the company is intended to serve.

We continued to run our major project Northaw Community Orchard managing the site for fruit production and wildlife conservation. Although our activities were reduced due to Covid restrictions, we continued with volunteer work and held Wassail and Apple Day events.

The Orchard site remained open to the whole community throughout for recreation and exercise and provided a public green space which was particularly valued during the pandemic.

Further details on continuation sheet

(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").

(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)

PART 2 - CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS - Please indicate who the company's
stakeholders are; how the stakeholders have been consulted and what action, if any, has the
company taken in response to feedback from its consultations? If there has been no
consultation, this should be made clear.
Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council, Northaw and Cuffley Parish Council
Residents, other community groups, local small businesses and social enterprises and
volunteers.
Local residents and volunteers were consulted via an email contact list, quarterly parish
council magazine, website, social media, leaflet drops, posters. We also held an AGM open to
the public for discussion.
Further details on continuation sheet
(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").
PART 3 - DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION - if you have provided full details in your accounts
you need not reproduce it here. Please clearly identify the information within the accounts
and confirm that, "There were no other transactions or arrangements in connection with the
remuneration of directors, or compensation for director's loss of office, which require to be
disclosed" (See example with full notes). If no remuneration was received you must state that
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PART 4 - TRANSFERS OF ASSETS OTHER THAN FOR FULL CONSIDERATION - Please
insert full details of any transfers of assets other than for full consideration e.g. Donations to
outside bodies. If this does not apply you must state that "no transfer of assets other than for
full consideration has been made" below.
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(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)
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(N.B. Please enclose a cheque for £15 payable to Companies House)

# **PART 5 – SIGNATORY**

must be signed by a Signed director or secretary	Vane &	mode	Date  -	5/9/21
of the company	Office held (tick as	appropriate) 🔲 [	Director [	]Secretary
You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite but if				
you do, it will help the Registrar of Companies to contact you if there is				
a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be				
visible to searchers of the public		Telephone	01707 642	2393
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# When you have completed and signed the form, please send it to the Registrar of Companies at:

For companies registered in England and Wales: Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ DX 33050 Cardiff

For companies registered in Scotland: Companies House, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Edinburgh Quay 2, 139 Fountainbridge, Edinburgh, EH3 9FF DX 235 Edinburgh or LP – 4 Edinburgh 2

For companies registered in Northern Ireland. Companies House, 2nd Floor, The Linenhall, 32-38 Linenhall Street, Belfast, BT2 8BG

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Year ending Dec 31st 2020

#### **Continuation sheet**

#### PART 1 - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

Northaw Transition CIC's major project is Northaw Community Orchard. This is a public space, owned by Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council, leased to Northaw and Cuffley Parish Council and sub-let by them to Northaw Transition CIC to manage. The orchard has **benefited the local community by** giving them the opportunity to improve their health and wellbeing and increase their knowledge of conservation and fruit production. It has created a community spirit around the orchard and brings residents and local groups together. Some of the ways we have involved the community in 2020 are listed below:

#### **Activities**

- 1. The orchard was created on two fields which were previously inaccessible to the public, one of which is a Local Wildlife Site. Pedestrian access is available to the community 24/7, paths have been created and picnic tables and benches provided. Interpretation boards give information about the site and the wildlife found there. We have had numerous comments from individuals saying how much the orchard has helped with their mental and physical well-being throughout this difficult year.
- 2. Volunteers from within the community assisted with tasks such as weeding, clearance, hay raking, harvesting willow and pruning. Covid restrictions meant that group work parties were limited in number attending but they did take place as much as possible throughout the year. Volunteering also continued on an individual basis throughout. **289 hours of volunteering were recorded**.
- 3. 1st Northaw Scouts adjoin the site and we are able to use the facilities of the Scout site in exchange for mowing their field regularly with our tractor.
- 4. Members of the community took part in a special programme about the orchard on **Potter's Bar Community Radio** which was set up to support the community at the start of the pandemic. Individuals contributed their thoughts and music choices.

#### **Events**

Although we were unable to hold many events for most of the year due to Covid restrictions we did hold a Wassail in January and an Apple Day in October. The Apple Day was Covid-secure and

was supported and encouraged by Welwyn and Hatfield Environmental Health Department. This was well attended by the local community and was a very joyful and successful occasion. We had various displays and children's activities and apple samples for juicing and tasting. This was the only event held for the community in the parish during the year.

#### Supporting small local businesses and crafts

As a public space the orchard is a resource which has been used by small local businesses especially for educational purposes in previous years. In 2020, due to Covid, we were unable to pursue the range of activities which have supported local businesses as in previous years but we were able to provide the following:

- A local artist continued work on a willow sculpture and arbor in the orchard
- At our Apple Day we hosted various craft activities including clay modelling by a local artist.
- A local photographic business NUX Photography created a video of the orchard for us
- We provided our tractor and mower to a local contractor to cut adjacent hay meadows

#### PART 2 – CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS

Our stakeholders in this period were: Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council (the landowners), Northaw and Cuffley Parish Council (our landlords), local residents including those whose houses back onto the site, other community groups, local small businesses and social enterprises and volunteers.

#### We have consulted our stakeholders in the following way:

- Feedback and suggestions were obtained from attendees at our events including at our AGM, from local residents and from volunteers. We also provided contact details directly to residents adjacent to the field.
- 2. We have a dedicated website which includes an opportunity to contact us with comments and suggestions
- 3. We provided a full page article in each edition of the parish magazine, 'Update' with news of progress in the orchard and contact details
- 4. We regularly contacted people interested in the orchard through an active email contacts list of 100+ people. We received feedback and suggestions. We also have a Facebook page for the orchard.
- 5. We leafleted the whole village to publicise the Apple Day.