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Rapid Relief Team

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2017



Rapid Relief Team

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Reference and Administrative Details

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Charity Registration Number	1161586
Bankers	Nat West Bank plc
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Trustees' Report

The Trustees are pleased to present their report for the period ended 30 June 2017.

Mission

To serve people with care and compassion in times of need.

Vision

For the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church to express to humanity, Christian Biblical principles of care and compassion, by way of benevolent support to people in need.

Values

Community, compassion and support.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee registered at Companies House on 30 October 2014 and with the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 8 May 2015. The Charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Following a recruitment process the first Trustees were appointed as the Founders of the charity based on their CVs, training, aptitude and prior experience in commerce and other charitable entities. An ongoing training program is in place, initially covering risk management, food hygiene, first aid and occupational health & safety. Further Trustees will be appointed by the existing Trustees when deemed necessary as the charity grows and the skill set of the existing trustees is assessed.

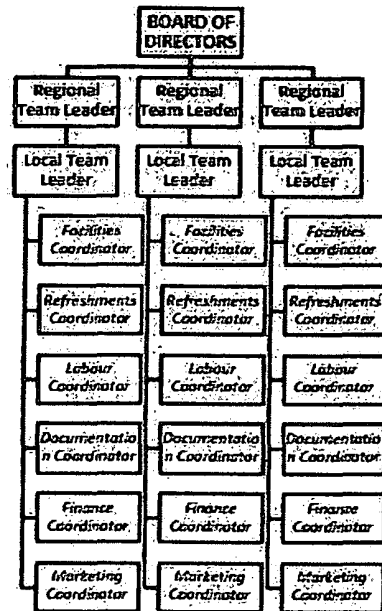
All key management decisions were made by the Trustees as a body. The trustees, as key management personnel, do not receive any remuneration. However, this is expected to change over the coming years as a more formal system of delegation is implemented and paid staff are employed. In October 2016 a paid employee was appointed to the role of National Coordinator to manage the day to day running of the charity's operations and Executive Assistant tasks for the Board of Directors. During 2017 additional part-time Executive Assistant resource has been employed as the National Coordinator role has expanded to include some of the work involved in managing the trade from the online shop. In September 2016 a self-employed book-keeper has also been engaged part-time to oversee the charity's finance functions.

RRT is currently managed by the Board of seven Directors and is supported by a devoted team of regional and local team leaders. In the UK there are nine Regional Team Leaders managing a total of ninety local teams with a volunteer pool of in excess of 3000 to draw on. Within each local team is a structure of core volunteer support personnel with dedicated responsibilities such as Facilities Co-ordinator, Labour Co-ordinator etc. as can be seen in the chart below. Volunteers are largely drawn from members of the Plymouth Brethren Christian Community. Each region has an assigned chain of command and each person in the team understands their responsibilities and who they report to.

Rapid Relief Team (RRT UK) is part of a global charitable organisation with teams in Australia, North and South America, the Caribbean, Canada, New Zealand and Europe. We have replicated our Organisational Chart in every region globally to ensure uniformity across our operations and our teams are generally of a similar size and work to a consistent standard with established protocols.

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Relationship with related Parties

During the year the charity purchased marketing, freight & equipment supplies from Aristospray Limited. Mr Robertson a trustee of the charity is also a director of Aristospray Limited. Total purchases in the year were £3,804.63 and an amount of £0.00 was outstanding at the year end. The charity also refunded Flight & Subscription costs for Mr Robertson and Mr Cooper for travel to Team Events and Reactive Events amounting to £3,429.45 & £79.00 (Mr Robertson) and £581.58 (Mr Cooper) during the year. Mr Cooper is a Trustee of the charity and also a director of Saneux Ltd from which the charity purchased freight to the value of £1,764.00. All transactions were at arm's length.

Objectives & Activities

The objects of the charity are:

“(1) The relief of poverty, sickness, suffering, distress, disability or destitution in such ways as are exclusively charitable, in particular (but not without limiting the generality of the foregoing) by providing assistance and support to people who are in need as a result of the following;

- a) Natural disasters including, but not limited to, flood, drought, fire, heatwave, landslide, storm, tornado and earthquake;
- b) Emergencies, including emergencies occasioned by accident;
- c) Any effects of adverse climate change; or
- d) Any unexpected situations of a like nature to those contemplated by paragraphs (a), (b), and (C) of this article that arise and which threaten, or could threaten, life or property and

(2) Any other charitable purpose which the Trustees may from time to time select.”

In the furtherance of these objects the charity RRT uses its charitable resource to help those in need operating our services in two categories, **reactive** and **proactive**.

Reactive

RRT teams are at the ready for the unexpected, for when disaster strikes with floods, fires, storms and major incidents impacting the community. Rapid Relief Team is at the behest of government emergency services and works closely with them to provide catering and support for those directly affected by these events.

The focus of our service is, but is not limited to, catering and refreshments. Our labour force is structured, trained and is willing to give up time and energy to contribute to the common goal of reducing suffering and loss in times of need.

Our services are facilitated using custom-designed equipment such as rapid deployment equipment trailers, barbeque trailers, coffee trailers and marquees. Substantial investment in such equipment ensures the rapid and effective delivery of the services provided by the Rapid Relief Team.

All our capital equipment is designed and manufactured as a prototype and undergoes rigorous evaluation in the field to ensure it suits its given purpose efficiently before replication.

Proactive

RRT offers quality and efficient catering and refreshment assistance to charitable and government organisations confronting some of humankind's greatest challenges, including heart disease, cancer research and the plight of the homeless.

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Our catering assistance to these charities typically includes cooking and serving meals, often with the provision of barista coffee and the supply of bottled water.

We support the missions and government bodies who seek to aid these people by contributing to and supporting the many charitable organisations. Over the year we have donated numerous food packs, hygiene kits, thermal clothing packs and blankets nationally as we visit the missions, meet the homeless in the street and support the soup runs in our cities.

The Trustees confirm that in planning their activities they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

The Rapid Relief Team has identified five key areas of focus that align with our vision of serving people with care and compassion in times of need. Our support is especially channelled towards the emergency services, youth, homelessness and health and disability. We have turned down many requests to support events and organisations that we do not feel are aligned to our purposes or that are even charitable.

During the year our teams nationally have been involved in many events, both proactive and reactive assisting a broad spectrum of needs, from emergencies such as fires and floods to feeding the homeless and supporting charity events many of which can be viewed on our website, Facebook and LinkedIn posts. Examples of such events in the UK follow:-

1. Emergency Services

Our team members refresh emergency services crews around the clock in times of disasters such as earthquakes, avalanches, fires and floods, some accidents and the aftermath of terrorist attacks.

Manchester Arena Bombing

On 22nd May 2017 Manchester was hit by an appalling terror attack. A lone bomber detonated an improvised explosive device in the foyer at the end of a concert at Manchester Arena killing 22 victims and injuring hundreds more.

RRT teams from Manchester, Crewe and Preston were on site for four days serving the emergency services with food and refreshments.

On 26th May 2017 a Superintendent of Greater Manchester Police wrote:-

"I just wanted to take five minutes out of a very busy night shift to say a thank you for the hospitality, kindness and generosity shown to my officers.

Word cannot describe the tragic awful incident that happened in our City on Monday night. Officers are working tirelessly to reassure the community at this very sad time.

The positive feedback from the work of your team has been absolutely awesome. We could not do it as well as we do without your support..."

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London Bridge Terror Attack

Following a major terrorist attack on London Bridge and Borough Market on 3rd June 2017 which claimed the lives of 8 victims and injured 48 persons, RRT teams from greater London and surrounding regions were mobilised for six days to provide refreshments and hope to emergency services at the scene. 90 volunteers were involved serving 795 man hours, 3290 meals and over 5000 bottles of water

A note posted by a police officer at the event reads:-

"Yesterday I was on a road closure at London Bridge... There was a charity that was there from before I started to very late, they were out of this world. Teas, coffees, soft drinks, snacks and even a BBQ! Rapid Relief Team, they were amazing.

They served about 1000 meals to all the emergency service and they were going back at 5am today to make sure everyone got breakfast. All volunteers, no breaks, all free..."

Grenfell Tower Fire

The Grenfell Tower fire in Kensington West London broke out in the early hours of 14th June 2017 causing 71 deaths at the 24-storey tower block of public housing flats.

Our teams were at the scene for three full days from 9.00am on June 14th to early evening on the 16th. 45 team members attended who served 630 man hours, provided 5500 meals and donated 2100 bottles of RRT water.

The following letter of appreciation was received from Mr Alastair Whitehead, the Private Secretary at 10 Downing Street, dated 19th July 2017:-

"Dear Mr Tilbrook

I am writing on behalf of the Prime Minister to thank you for your letter of 19 June, regarding her recent visit to the Rapid Relief Team on the site of the Grenfell Tower fire disaster. She was honoured to meet you and witness the professionalism and selflessness of the volunteers involved in the response to this tragic incident.

The Prime Minister would like me to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the invaluable work of your team. Working alongside our emergency services, your team provided vital support to the communities affected by this disaster. She is also most grateful for your work in response to the recent terror attacks in London and Manchester. The sheer scale of challenge that must be overcome in the aftermath of such tragic incidents is incredible and the effectiveness of the response is a credit to everyone involved.

Many thanks, once again to you and your team for all your hard work..."

Amatrice earthquake and Rigopiano avalanche, Italy

A team of volunteers based in Rome, Italy is also run as a branch of the UK and was involved in two major emergencies: The aftermath of both the earthquake which hit Amatrice in central Italy in August 2016 and the avalanche at Rigopiano in January 2017.

Amatrice earthquake

On 24th August 2016 the village of Amatrice was devastated by an earthquake measuring 6.2 on the Richter scale resulting in the deaths of 299, nearly 400 injured and 4500 left homeless.

Having made contact with the emergency coordinators on Friday 26th it was agreed that RRT should set up in the village to serve the emergency services and those displaced with food and refreshments. From Saturday 27th through to Tuesday 30th teams from Italy and the UK provided nearly 4000 meals in total. Many served left heartfelt messages of gratitude to the team including grieving parents of children killed in the disaster, the Fire and Rescue Incident Commander and the Supreme Chief Procura di Rieti.

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Rigopiano avalanche

On the afternoon of 18th January 2017 a major avalanche struck the luxury Hotel Rigopiano killing 29 and injuring 11 others.

RRT teams from Italy, Germany and UK were serving the emergency and rescue services at the scene of the disaster from Sunday 22nd through to Thursday 26th. On some of the days over 500 meals were served with at least 17 volunteers on site. A letter of thanks to our Team Leader in Italy from the Mayor of the city of Penne when translated reads:-

For the attention of Rapid Relief Team

"...Subject: thanks for contribution / bad weather and earthquake January 2017.

Dear Citizens,

I thank you for wanting to support our Municipality in the management of the bad weather emergency and the earthquake of 18 January, events that, as is known, have generated in the Community mourning, injuries, collapses and so much desperation in the population.

The City of Penne is on its knees, but your gesture, and the gesture of many others, has made our re-launch towards a better future stronger and less difficult. Please accept my personal thanks for your contribution..."

2. Youth

RRT views support of our youth as a key endeavour to ensure that they are protected and nurtured.

Example - Supporting NorPIP Silverstone sponsored bike ride

On May 1st 2017 RRT team members from Northampton provided refreshments and support for the NorPIP charity bike ride at Silverstone Circuit. NorPIP, Northamptonshire Parent Infant Partnership, is a family therapy charity supporting parents-to-be and parents with children under two form stable relationships with their children.

An extract of a note from the organisers reads "...your team made our event, with their incredible hospitality and endless smiles. You were all an amazing support to the team."

3. Homeless

Across the nation, numerous charitable organisations work tirelessly to bridge the gap for our homeless.

The Rapid Relief Team supports the charitable work of several religious denominations, along with government funded facilities for the homeless. Our catering services feature on regular rotation at homeless missions and on soup runs around city centres. We regularly donate food, clothing, sleeping bags and also hygiene packs.

Example - World Homeless Day

On the 10th October 2016 RRT volunteers nationwide assembled over 300 packs containing essential hygiene items, toiletries, hats, socks, scarfs and blankets and some basic food essentials. These were handed out on the streets to the homeless.

The concept of 'World Homeless Day' emerged from online discussions between people working to respond to homelessness from various parts of the world. The Inaugural World Homeless Day (WHD) was marked on the 10th of October 2010. Since its founding, World Homeless Day has been observed on 10th October in every continent except Antarctica, in several dozen countries.

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4. Health & Disability

The Rapid Relief Team has a profound ongoing commitment to the support of health and disability causes.

We offer catering support at larger sponsored events and have joined with hospitals, hospices and health organisations during 2016/2017 to deliver regular support to fundraising and special events.

Example - LOROS Hospice Leicester to Skegness sponsored bike ride

LOROS Hospice cares for terminally ill people in Leicestershire and Rutland. On Saturday 3rd June 2017 Leicester RRT provided the cyclists with hot food and drinks on their long journey. More than 180 people took to the roads and raised over £50,000.

The event coordinator from LOROS posted, "Thank you once again for all your help. The team were incredible and absolute pleasure to have you all on board for the Skegness Bike Ride this year."

Financial Review

The charity raises funds from a variety of individual, foundation and corporate supporters. In the period under review a total of £606,871 (2016: £413,415) was raised in order to support the charity's work. Of this £313,034 (2016: £191,405) was spent leaving a reserve to carry forward at the end of the period of £613,219 (2016: £319,382). Restricted Funds at the end of year were £ Nil (2016: 3,500).

In addition, the charity benefits from a number of in-kind donations and relies on the generous support of its volunteers to carry out its work. We have a database of over 3,000 volunteers, at least 2000 of whom have been actively involved in supporting the charity in this period. Our volunteers are offered training and support, and corporate workwear is provided. Costs incurred on-site such as food handed out are reimbursed once the claims have been approved through the designated channels. The value included in the accounts for these in-kind donations is £3,200 (2016: £1,489).

At the date of signing this report the trustees do not consider there to be any material uncertainties over the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Reserves policy

The charity has considered the need to form a reserves policy. The Trustees believe it is important to have a stable reserve that allows the charity to offer uninterrupted support to its beneficiaries. In considering the optimum level of reserves required consideration is also given to the reactive nature of some of the charity's work and the need to be able to react quickly in a time of crisis.

The free reserves target for the charity is £225,000. The trustees believe this to be appropriate as it represents the last 6 months of expenditure in 2017.

Currently the charity has reserves of £428,114 (2016: £265,474), of which £0 (2016: £3,500) is restricted for specific future expenditure. With the substantial planned capital expenditure detailed under 'Future plans', the investment in training courses, stock for trading and the addition of the paid national coordinator to the team we feel it necessary to have this amount available for the coming year. For more details see note 2 to the financial statements.

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Risks and risk management

The Trustees confirm that they have considered the major risks facing the charity and procedures are being put in place to help mitigate those risks. For example a comprehensive suite of insurance policies are in place and DBS checks are undertaken for all Directors and their E. A., Regional Team Leaders, Local Team Leaders and core team volunteers.

During their weekly teleconference the Directors identify risks to the charity and agree on strategies to mitigate these. Some principal examples follow:-

Risk to voluntary income

To mitigate any risks to voluntary income, a programme of video fundraisers is being sent out to the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church members and a European Convention was organised in London to raise awareness within the community. A target of £50,000 per month in regular monthly donations has been set to be achieved by the end of 2018, in order to create a more dependable and consistent income stream.

Training

Where our volunteers are involved in assisting in civil contingencies arrangements basic training has been provided by local authorities Civil Protection Units for example in Plymouth.

Safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults at our events

Our work includes services to children and vulnerable adults. It is important that we safeguard them all when we are working with them. To this end DBS checks are being undertaken, as mentioned above, and where Directors have had prior knowledge or concerns about individuals contact has been made with the respective Team Leader to ensure that those persons are excluded from RRT activities.

Complaints

A documented complaints procedure is in place and we constantly review feedback, particularly through social media. This is reflected in our five-star Facebook rating based on 41 reviews.

Illness

Any volunteer who has had, or been in known, direct contact with an infectious illness is not permitted to be involved in the preparation of food for at least a fortnight after the illness has cleared or after the date of the last contact with an infected individual.

Onsite risk assessments

When attending major incidents such as the Manchester Arena bombing, the London Bridge terror attacks, the Rigopiano avalanche and the Grenfell Tower fire, detailed onsite risk assessments are made to ensure that our volunteers are protected from physical or psychological harm and danger.

Trailers and equipment

To ensure that our trailers and equipment are kept in good repair, compliant and at the ready, Trailer Managers have been appointed and older second-hand trailers replaced with a fleet of new warranted equipment.

Grounding of BBQ trailer fleet

During 2017 we had several quality issues with our fleet of BBQ and Coffee trailers with a number of incidents where wheels came off while the trailers were being towed. Until they could be repaired and the design fault rectified by the manufacturer the fleet was taken out of service.

Development of standard menu

A standardised global menu which we know works and is repeatable has been rolled out globally including the removal of chicken, with its associated food safety risks, from the menu.

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Future plans

2017/2018 is already proving to be another great year for RRT.

To raise awareness and to thank our many team leaders RRT hosted our first European Convention at the London Stadium in November 2017. Over 300 attended from the UK, Ireland, 7 countries in continental Europe plus 3 Global Directors from Australia.

Further capital investment totalling £210,000 is planned into 4 RRT iconic event support trailers, 2 barista coffee trailers and 5 fridge trailers. We are also looking to lease a pick-up truck to assist with trailer movements from event to event nationally.

To improve food preparation and serving on site, strict process and protocols are being introduced nationwide and the services of a national safety and compliance training and consulting company will be employed to assist with this programme. Additionally to monitor and maintain consistency, national and regional food coordinators will be appointed reporting to a global team.

Our trading entity Rapid Relief Team Trading Ltd of which RRT is the sole shareholder was incorporated on 20th June 2017. A web shop will be set up initially selling a range of products such as blankets, hygiene kits, first aid kits, fire extinguishers and bottled water. Each product sold offers an immediate and direct benefit to people in need and the proceeds from the sale of these products will be donated to charity. Our target is for 1/3 of our income to come from trading by June 2019.

To cope with the extra demand and workload we have rented warehouse space for these products near to our National Coordinator's base in Hertfordshire. This gives us the opportunity to purchase supplies in bulk to take advantage of better pricing. Most of the larger pick, pack and despatch operations will be done here.

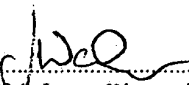
We see our product range as another way to support charities in addition to the catering service we predominantly offer currently, enabling us to expand our capacity to reach more people and to leverage our efforts at many events.

A programme of video fundraising appeals is being sent out to Plymouth Brethren Christian Church members by email to secure more regular monthly donations and our income stream for the coming months.

As we look forward to 2018 and beyond we remain passionate about and committed to our key purpose to provide community support in the form of nutritious meals to needy causes.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the Charity on 29/3/18 and signed on its behalf by:


Mr James Weston Walker
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Rapid Relief Team for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable 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.

So far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The annual report was approved by the trustees on 29/3/18 and signed on its behalf by:


James Walker
Trustee

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Rapid Relief Team

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Rapid Relief Team for the year ended 30 June 2017 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the charitable company's state of affairs as at 30 June 2017 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charitable company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information; we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report which includes the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Trustees' Annual Report which includes the Directors' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Annual Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the Strategic Report.

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Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 11, the trustees (who are also directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under the Companies Act 2006 and report in accordance with that Act.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.



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Statutory Auditors

Date:

Saffery Champness LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Date:

29 March 2018

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 June 2017 (Including Income and Expenditure Account)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2017 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	602,326	4,545	606,871
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	3	(18,756)	-	(18,756)
Charitable activities	4	(294,278)	-	(294,278)
Total Expenditure		(313,034)	-	(313,034)
Net income		289,292	4,545	293,837
Transfers between funds		8,045	(8,045)	-
Other recognised gains and losses				
Net movement in funds		297,337	(3,500)	293,837
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		315,882	3,500	319,382
Total funds carried forward	14	613,219	-	613,219
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2016 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	409,915	3,500	413,415
Total Income		409,915	3,500	413,415
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	3	(36,260)	-	(36,260)
Charitable activities	4	(155,145)	-	(155,145)
Total Expenditure		(191,405)	-	(191,405)
Net income		218,510	3,500	222,010
Net movement in funds		218,510	3,500	222,010
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		97,372	-	97,372
Total funds carried forward	14	315,882	3,500	319,382

All of the Charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for both years is shown in note 14.

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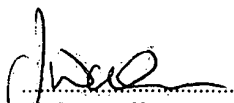
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Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	185,104	53,908
Investments	9	1	-
		<u>185,105</u>	<u>53,908</u>
Current assets			
Stocks	10	33,046	170
Debtors	11	43,372	5,400
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>377,162</u>	<u>274,874</u>
		453,580	280,444
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(25,466)</u>	<u>(14,970)</u>
Net current assets		<u>428,114</u>	<u>265,474</u>
Net assets		<u>613,219</u>	<u>319,382</u>
Funds of the Charity:			
Restricted income funds		-	3,500
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted income funds		<u>613,219</u>	<u>315,882</u>
Total funds	14	<u>613,219</u>	<u>319,382</u>

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

The financial statements on pages 15 to 26 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 29/3/18 and signed on their behalf by:


 Mr James Weston Walker
 Trustee

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Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 30 June 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income		293,837	222,010
Adjustments to cash flows from non-cash items			
Depreciation	8	46,276	13,478
		340,113	235,488
Working capital adjustments			
Increase in stocks	10	(32,876)	(170)
Increase in debtors	11	(37,972)	(3,449)
Increase in creditors	12	10,496	7,804
Net cash flows from operating activities		279,761	239,673
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	8	(177,472)	(56,163)
Acquisition of investments in subsidiary undertakings	9	(1)	-
Net cash flows from investing activities		(177,473)	(56,163)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		102,288	183,510
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July		274,874	91,366
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	15	377,162	274,876

All of the cash flows are derived from continuing operations during the above two periods.

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1 Accounting policies

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of the income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the Charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the Charity before the Charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the Charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Legacy gifts are recognised on a case by case basis following the grant of probate when the administrator/executor for the estate has communicated in writing both the amount and settlement date. In the event that the gift is in the form of an asset other than cash or a financial asset traded on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the gift being reliably measurable with a degree of reasonable accuracy and the title to the asset having been transferred to the Charity.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind are recognised in different ways dependent on how they are used by the Charity:

- (i) Those donated for resale produce income when they are sold. They are valued at the amount actually realised.
- (ii) Those donated for onward transmission to beneficiaries are included in the Statement of Financial Activities as incoming resources and resources expended when they are distributed. They are valued at the amount the Charity would have had to pay to acquire them.
- (iii) Those donated for use by the Charity itself are included when receivable. They are valued at the amount the Charity would have had to pay to acquire them.

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Gift aid

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the Statement of Financial Activities at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, the management of investments and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the Charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and Trustee's meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Taxation

The Company is a registered charity and as such is not liable to tax on its wholly charitable activities.

Investment Accounting Policy

A wholly owned subsidiary, Rapid Relief Team Trading Limited, was incorporated on 20 June 2017 to carry out certain operations but did not trade during the year. The charity holds 1 ordinary £1 share in the subsidiary.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, then less any subsequent accumulated depreciation calculated at a rate of 20% on the reducing balance, and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

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Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as detailed above.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the year end.

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method.

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the Charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the Charity does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustee's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the Charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Estimates and judgements

In 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 where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds			
	General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Donations and legacies;				
Donations to major appeals	497,500	4,545	502,045	393,208
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	2,913	-	2,913	182
Legacies	-	-	-	5,000
Gift aid reclaimed	25,217	-	25,217	9,936
Grants, including capital grants;				
Grants from other charities	64,400	-	64,400	3,600
Gifts in kind	-	-	-	1,489
Other income from donations and legacies	12,296	-	12,296	-
	<u>602,326</u>	<u>4,545</u>	<u>606,871</u>	<u>413,415</u>

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3 Expenditure on raising funds

a) Costs of generating donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Total 2017	Total 2016
Note	General £	£	£
Marketing and publicity	<u>18,756</u>	<u>18,756</u>	<u>36,260</u>

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Total 2017	Total 2016
	£	£
Expenditure on Charitable activities	259,665	141,533
Audit Fees	5,500	6,000
Legal Fees	1,462	4,097
Other Governance cost	-	1,595
Other Accountancy services	<u>27,651</u>	<u>1,920</u>
	<u>294,278</u>	<u>155,145</u>

5 Resources Expended

Net outgoing resources for the year include:

	2017	2016
	£	£
Depreciation of fixed assets	46,276	13,477
Consumable Supplies	49,147	67,100
Food & Drinks	74,480	33,591
Freight & carriage	8,551	808
Insurance-Public Liability	-	753
General Insurance	2,774	986
Sundry Expenses	-	41
Wages & Salaries	48,638	12,017
Corporate Clothing	(6,624)	10,930
Rent	1,894	1,246
Telephone	234	460
Office Expenses	-	780
Trade Subscription	891	1,080
Hire Charges	-	300
Printing & Postage	357	83
Computer Software	6,562	(3,796)

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	2017	2016
	£	£
Other Accountancy Services	27,651	1,920
Legal fees	1,462	4,097
Bank Charges	2,900	1,595
Charitable Donation	10,904	1,100
Travel	4,404	576
Repairs & Maintenance	2,181	-
Team Events	4,011	-
Trailer Maintenance	2,084	-
Publicity cost	18,756	1,929
Audit Fees	5,500	6,000

6 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

Year ended 30 June 2017 : £48,638 (2016:12,017)

No employee was paid over £60,000 in the year (2016: nil).

Staff Numbers

The monthly average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was 1 full time employee and 1 part time employee (2016: One)

The trustees are considered to be the key management personnel and do not receive any remuneration. As described in the trustees' report, the local teams are made up of volunteers.

Trustee's Expenses Reimbursements

During the year the charity purchased marketing, freight & equipment supplies from Aristospray Limited. Mr Robertson a trustee of the charity is also a director of Aristospray Limited. Total purchases in the year were £3,804.63 and an amount of £0.00 was outstanding at the year end. The charity also refunded Flight & Subscription costs for Mr Robertson and Mr Cooper for travel to Team Events and Reactive Events amounting to £3,429.45 & £79.00 (Mr Robertson) and £581.58 (Mr Cooper) during the year. Mr Cooper is a Trustee of the charity and also a director of Saneux Ltd from which the charity purchased freight to the value of £1,764.00. All transactions were at arm's length.

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7 Taxation

The Charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation on its wholly charitable activities.

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Other tangible fixed asset £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 July 2016	70,191	70,191
Additions	<u>177,472</u>	<u>177,472</u>
At 30 June 2017	<u>247,663</u>	<u>247,663</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 July 2016	16,283	16,283
Charge for the year	<u>46,276</u>	<u>46,276</u>
At 30 June 2017	<u>62,559</u>	<u>62,559</u>
Net book value		
At 30 June 2017	<u>185,104</u>	<u>185,104</u>
At 30 June 2016	<u>53,908</u>	<u>53,908</u>

9 Fixed asset investments

	2017 £
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests	<u>1</u>

Shares in group undertakings and participating interests

	Subsidiary undertakings £	Total £
Cost		
Additions	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
At 30 June 2017	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Net book value		
At 30 June 2017	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

The investment was made in the subsidiary Rapid Relief Team Trading Limited which was incorporated on 20 June 2017.

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10 Stock

	2017 £	2016 £
Stocks	<u>33,046</u>	<u>170</u>

11 Debtors

	2017 £	2016 £
Trade debtors	627	-
Accrued income	<u>42,745</u>	<u>5,400</u>
	<u>43,372</u>	<u>5,400</u>

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2017 £	2016 £
Trade creditors	14,965	6,055
Due to group undertakings	1	-
Other taxation and social security	1,784	-
Accruals	<u>8,716</u>	<u>8,915</u>
	<u>25,466</u>	<u>14,970</u>

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13 Charity status

The Charity is a Charity limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £Nil towards the assets of the Charity in the event of liquidation.

14 Analysis of Funds

	Balance at 1 July 2016 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 30 June 2017 £
Unrestricted funds					
Unrestricted general funds	315,882	602,326	(313,034)	8,045	613,219
Restricted funds	<u>3,500</u>	<u>4,545</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,045)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u>319,382</u>	<u>606,871</u>	<u>(313,034)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>613,219</u>

The Restricted Fund represents funds received for the sole purpose of purchasing a Sandbagger, a (Power) Generator, and a Log Cabin for Southampton Hospital. All this expenditure (and more) was paid out of the General Fund and therefore the money in the Restricted Fund was transferred into the General Fund to compensate.

15 Cash & cash equivalents

	At 1 July 2016 £	Cash flow £	At 30 June 2017 £
Cash at bank and in hand	274,874	102,288	377,162
Net Cash	<u>274,874</u>	<u>102,288</u>	<u>377,162</u>