# CRAWLEY COMMUNITY ACTION LTD ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

# LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

**Trustees** Sue Bloom (Chair) (Appointed 02/10/2013)

Ashwin Soni (Finance Director) (Appointed 10/10/2019) Jeremy Yeats-Edwards (Vice-Chair) (Appointed 05/10/2009) Paul Castle (Company Secretary) (Appointed 03/10/2011)

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Peter Mansfield-Clark (Appointed 20 January 2022)

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# TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### **Trustees Report and Accounts**

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

After obtaining the approval of the Charity Commission, the business, assets and funds of the charity, Crawley Council for Voluntary Service registered with the Charity Commission (number 227757), were transferred to a company limited by guarantee with the same name. The charitable company was incorporated on 17 July 2002 with registered number 4488714, and was registered on 21 November 2002 with Charity Commission number 1094699.

#### Objectives and activities of the charity

At the Special General Meeting held on 9 March 2015, the members adopted a new governing document in the form of a new Memorandum and Articles of Association. The new Memorandum and Articles of Association is based on a National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA) model document, approved by the Charity Commission. Under the new Memorandum and Articles of Association, the objects of the charity Crawley Community & Voluntary Service are:

- to promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the public, principally but not exclusively in the local government area of Crawley and its environs (hereinafter called "the area of benefit") and, in particular, build the capacity of the third sector organisations and provide them with the necessary support, information and services to enable them to pursue or contribute to any charitable purpose.
- to promote, organise and facilitate co-operation and partnership working between third sector, statutory and other relevant bodies in the achievement of the above purposes within the area of benefit.

The new governing document re-defined membership to include all charities, voluntary organisations and social enterprises accessing any support or service provided by Crawley Community & Voluntary Service, enabling them to have a say in the management and running of the organisation as a member. From April 2015 membership does not require payment of a subscription, and annual membership is by application form.

#### **Public Benefit statement**

The requirements for reporting public benefit in an annual report are that the report will contain:

- i) a report of those activities undertaken by a charity to further its charitable activities for the public benefit, and
- ii) a statement by the charity trustees that they have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

The guidance sets out two key principles which need to be met in order to show that an organisation's aims are for the public benefit;

- i) there must be an identifiable benefit or benefits, i.e. the "benefit" principle, and
- ii) the benefit must be to the public or a section of the public, the "public" principle.

The trustees refer to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives of, and in planning, activities. The trustees endorse these key principles of public benefit, and reflect them into the aims and objectives of the activities they have set. Crawley Community Action typically delivers on these objectives through delivering on the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA) standards.

The nature of the activities carried out by Crawley Community Action are detailed in the narrative of Achievements and Performance in the year in the Trustees' Report, and in other literature and newspaper articles, and on Facebook, Twitter and the website. By means of these narratives and publicity, the trustees show that the activities undertaken by Crawley Community Action to further its charitable activities are, and are duly reported as being, for the public benefit.

# TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### Achievements and performance

# Supporting the Community and Voluntary Sector

During the past year, the group development service has focused on supporting the multiple needs of new, emerging, small and vulnerable community groups, charities and social enterprises, helping them to recover from the profound impact of the pandemic. We have been particularly grateful to Sussex Community Foundation for their financial support and belief during this period which helped to sustain our group development offer to the local Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector.

This support had two principal delivery strands:

#### 1. Capacity and capability building support

Providing in-depth guidance and support to the management committees of ethnically diverse groups to improve and encourage best practice around essential legal and governance issues, project plans, financial management, impact assessment and accessing appropriate funding opportunities. In addition, the service helped to build resilience, improve profile and awareness of impact, increase understanding of the importance of accountability and enable groups to confidently meet future challenges.

#### 2. Improving access to services and partnership working opportunities

Encouraging improved communication, mutual understanding, and joint working between ethnically diverse and marginalised communities and local service providers as a means of addressing barriers to accessing services and activities and improving physical and mental wellbeing. This work has taken place as part of our Living Healthier Lives project, with the support of project funders Heads On: Sussex NHS Foundation Trusts Charity.

The Groups we have supported

- Moonstones	- Uganda Crawley Community Association	- Crawley Film Initiative CIC
- Ten Little Toes Baby Bank	- Y:AMHS	- Footloose Dance Group
- Sussex Aid for Refugees	- Crawley Free Shop	- Crawley Gurdwara
- Refugees Welcome Crawley	- Crawley Community Youth Services	- Polish Saturday School
- Autism Support Crawley	- Crawley Rangers JFC	- Pound Hill Pounders Running Club
- Tangible Hands Foundation	- Crawley Hockey Club	- Crawley Menshare Listening Group
- Crawley Community Garden	- Crawley Self Defence CIC	

#### Trends in group development support

Our regular support sessions, surveys and contact with groups over the past year has highlighted a number of specific and consistent organisational support needs. The ten most common requests have been:

- Implementing and managing effective financial and risk management systems and budgets
- Developing robust fundraising strategies and improving bidding skills
- Understanding roles and responsibilities of trustees
- Measuring impact of activities/services
- Writing and implementing policies
- Reviewing and changing legal structures
- Improving external communication/digital inclusion
- Help to broker local partnerships and joint-working opportunities
- Writing development/business plans

We have been increasingly concerned about the wellbeing of community leaders, in particular how so many have been affected by the pandemic. As well as our direct support, we were pleased to be able to offer a funded package of support for employees and volunteers of local groups through our membership of The West Sussex Voluntary and Community Sector Infrastructure Alliance (WSVCSI).

#### Additional Income raised by Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) organisations with CCA Support

Our funding support service helped to secure grants with a value in excess of £85,000 for the local VCSE sector from a range of external funding sources including Sussex Community Foundation, National Lottery Awards for All scheme, Sussex Police, Longley Trust and Crawley Borough Council.

# TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### Our Impact - What Community Groups say about Crawley Community Action

The service that CCA offer to people like myself, to help us explore and set-up local groups and charities to support our local community is second to none. Each and every member of staff and volunteer all play key roles in making sure that already existing groups and groups of the future have the opportunity to flourish.

#### Kerry McGarrigle, Chairperson, Moonstones

With CCA support, we have been able to continue our support to the wider Ugandan community throughout lockdown thanks to assistance with funding support and links with local networks, such as the Covid response group for residents. CCA continues to offer the management committee advice and inspiration in helping us take steps to secure charity status, including understanding of governance responsibilities and helping us to review our aims and objectives as an organisation.

#### Hannington Mutungi, Vice Chairman, Ugandan Community Association

#### **Crawley Volunteers**

Despite a reduction in funding for volunteering services, we have continued to support volunteers and the organisation that rely on volunteers in Crawley. We remain committed to the view that Crawley needs a comprehensive volunteer support offer, one which encourages, increases, and celebrates the role of volunteers in our community. We are grateful to the ongoing funding support provided by West Sussex County Council as part of our membership of The West Sussex Voluntary and Community Sector Infrastructure Alliance (WSVCSI). We were also very grateful to have been awarded funding to create a new online volunteering platform for the town. This has brought immediate benefits to Crawley as well as providing the opportunity to work in partnership with other volunteer support organisations.

Despite the challenges, we were able to help many community members to take on new volunteering opportunities. Our new online platform, which has been developed for us by Volunteer Plus, is enabling us to promote more opportunities than ever before. We have supported 152 new volunteers to register with the service and this has resulted in 314 expressions of interest with local groups looking for volunteers. Looking forward we are in discussions with funders to support and expand this area of our work.

Some of the organisations we are supporting to find new volunteers

West Sussex Community Transport
Citizens Advice
Scouts
South of England Show
Murmurations
The Life Centre
Cancer Research UK
British Red Cross
Rivers Learning
Light House
The National Trust
See Ability

#### **Key performance Indicators**

- Registered Volunteers 554
- Active Organisations 416
- Active opportunities 56
- New Volunteer Registrations 152
- Enquiries/Expressions of interest in volunteering roles 314

As well as helping people to find new volunteering opportunities, we have continued to provide advice and guidance to community groups on volunteering best practice. This has included supporting groups to develop appropriate policies, as well as addressing organisation specific issues. For instance, how groups respond when there are serious concerns relating to volunteers or service delivery.

#### Our Impact - What Community Groups say about Crawley Community Action

The support system CCA give to organisations in terms of sustainability, partnership working and future growth development is extremely vital. Without them many organisations would not form nor have the capability to find ways to continue striving towards helping the local communities in Crawley.

#### Maha Laqa Zafar, Trustee, Gems of Faith

# TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### **Crawley Social Prescribing**

Crawley Social Prescribing (CSP) is funded by the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to provide a Social Prescribing service to Crawley residents. The majority of our referrals come from GP surgeries, either via the GPs/practice staff or via the Primary Care Network (PCN) based Social Prescribers. Social Prescribing was originally set up as a way of reducing social isolation and loneliness by offering practical, non-medical support. Focusing on what matters to the patient (client). Our link workers work alongside our clients to create a personal support plan, which includes referrals to organisations, services, (statutory and voluntary sector) and activities that may support a person's needs.

#### Performance during the year

CSP received a total of 637 referrals, bringing the total to 1054 referrals since the project came into existence in September 2020. Since the pandemic began, the referrals have become increasingly complex and require support for many months. 34% of our clients are supported for between 1-3 months, but over 2% of our clients have required support for more than 12 months. Increasing workforce numbers of Social Prescribing Link Workers (SPLWs) within the PCNs has had an effect on the number of referrals but with the increasing targets for referrals expected by the PCNs, there is now a more even spread of referrals now from all PCNs.

#### Impact on People's Mental Wellbeing

The Short Warwick-Edinburgh Mental Wellbeing Scale questions are asked of each client at the beginning and the end of our intervention. This provides a good indication of the effect that the intervention has made to the client. We see improvements in many people's mental wellbeing as they engage with our social prescribing service. While this is heartening, we know that the determinants of mental wellbeing are complex and despite proving a high-quality service, we know that some clients will continue to experience a range of challenges with their mental wellbeing.

#### Our Impact - What our clients say about Crawley Social Prescribing

"An amazing service if you don't know who to ask. They will help you find a service, if you are struggling, this can really help. They also checked up to see if I had what I needed."
(CSP Client)

"You caught me at the right moment when I was feeling down and needed support. You have really helped me move forward." (CSP Client)

#### **National Academy for Social Prescribing**

#### **Thriving Community Programme**

#### Crawley Community Action hosts the South East Thriving Communities Programme

Thriving Communities is the national support programme initiated by the National Academy for Social Prescribing in response to the impact and challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. It's aimed at helping voluntary, community, faith and social enterprise organisations share learning, ideas and best practice. By developing partnerships and fostering new connections we hope to create a stronger voluntary and community sector for social prescribing to take root and communities to thrive.

The Thriving Communities programme is regional covering Kent, Surrey, Sussex, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, Oxfordshire, Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

The South East Regional Lead for Thriving Communities is Esther Watts. Esther and the team work with organisations delivering social prescribing in their local communities and the local voluntary and community sector organisations providing the activity which social prescribers need to refer to, as well as listening to the needs of link workers and strategic partners.

The programme lead has created links with social prescribing host organisations from the NHS and the voluntary and community sector, is in touch with networks of social prescribers and the local authority and NHS system leads who support social prescribing across the patch.

# TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### **Delivery Partners**

- Together Co.
- 1 Community
- Basingstoke Voluntary Action
- Community First
- Rushmoor Voluntary Service
- Unity
- Gosport Voluntary Action
- · Hart Voluntary Action

#### Learning Together Programme 2021-22

The programme supports voluntary and community sector and faith organisations from a range of sectors through a 6-month learning programme called Learning Together.

Learning Together is a series of webinars and meetings with information about social prescribing, what it is and how it works and how to get involved. There are thematic webinars and networking meetings. We offer optional development opportunities and training, group coaching and Action Learning Sets as part of the programme.

#### **Key performance Indicators**

- Voluntary and Community Sector groups signed up 84
- Number of individual Engagements 304
- Total number of organisations contacted across the region 527 (estimated)
- Reach of Thriving Communities Newsletter Over 300 organisations

#### **Engagement Across the South East Region**

Learning Together Programme has engaged with groups from right across the South East of England. This has included participants from Sussex, Surrey, Hampshire, Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire and Kent.

#### Our Impact – What Course participants said about Learning Together

Both me and my partner in the breakout said we felt we had learnt loads. Thank you! E.g Promoting who we are so link workers are fully versed in what we can offer and to who. Linking with other groups through this meeting has been helpful. Helped focus on what we need to do next

#### Course Participant

The thing that I have most benefitted from in this programme is the action learning set. 3 of us joined about 18 months ago, I think - maybe longer. We had 4 sessions very sensitively facilitated .. We are still going strong, with monthly 90-minute sessions on Zoom. Thank you so much for this opportunity!

#### Course Participant

#### Thank You

The trustees would like to warmly thank CCA staff team without whose professionalism and dedication our services could not be delivered in Crawley. We would like to offer our gratitude towards Daran Bennett who as planned will be stepping down from the role of interim Chief Executive. Daran provided leadership and stability during the year and has worked with the Board to appoint our permanent new Chief Executive Toby Shaw.

One of our longest-serving trustees stepped down this year and we thank her for her efforts. Chris Cheshire DL was appointed a CCA trustee in 2004 and has championed the charity through all her years of service.

We would like to thank West Sussex County Council and Sussex Community Foundation for their ongoing support. We also thank Crawley CCG (NHS Clinical Commissioning Group) for the continued funding of Crawley Social Prescribing.

We are grateful to Crawley Borough Council for working with the charity to provide the Orchard as a hub for the local voluntary and community sector.

During the year we have started to work in partnership with a range of new funders. We would like to express our thanks to all on them, including the Garfield Weston Foundation and the Ernest Kleinwort Charitable Trust and the Postcode Society Trust. We look forward to working with your support for the benefit of Crawley.

# TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### Financial review

Crawley Community Action embraced the new focus and strategic direction to maintain our core services delivery in the year. This was in line with the planning process developed in response to our client and funders needs.

Unrestricted Income funds in hand at the year-end were £164,821 (2021:£180,207).

Mindful of the obligation for the potential liability for the deficit on the pension scheme, certain sums had been set aside over many years. In the 2018 accounts, a transfer was made to formally set up a Designated Fund out of Unrestricted funds in hand to cover the potential additional amount of £73,000 estimated participating employer's debt on withdrawal liability for the portion of the pension fund deficit attributed to Crawley Community & Voluntary Service over and above that already provided in the accounts.

Restricted Income funds in hand at the year-end were £60,615 (2021: £3,557). See Note 15 to the accounts for Restricted Income funds tables and the Restricted Income funds operations.

All of the assets of the charity are used to carry out its objectives

#### Reserves policy

Crawley Community Action Ltd receives funding from different sources to provide services in the promotion of charitable purposes for the benefit of the Crawley community in line with its objects. These funds are normally provided for an agreed period, usually one year. Such funding normally permits underspends to be carried forward flexibly to continue service provision into part of the subsequent year and thus make best use of resources.

The trustees, from long established practice, would expect any intention of these funders to withdraw (or substantially reduce) the level of such annual funding to be the subject of long-term discussions signaled well in advance.

Provided funders gave sufficient notice of intention to make such changes, the trustees would respond to effect any organisational changes required to meet new financial constraints in an ordered manner and in good time, so as to avoid having to take precipitous actions to the detriment of staff, their duties and the services provided to the community.

Nevertheless the trustees believe it is important they hold as financial reserves at all times, the funds necessary to secure the loyalty and continuous employment of trained staff, trusted contacts and relationships with clients and colleagues, and maintenance of facilities and contracted services to ensure an ordered service provision capacity beyond short-term measures. The trustees only wish to have these financial reserves at a minimum level and therefore review the funds required annually.

The reserves policy will fund:

- The amount required to write down fixed assets to their realisable disposal value in the event they become redundant upon a forced closedown
- Support to employees in finding alternative employment
- Termination pay to employees under their notice and pay contract conditions
- Terminating service contracts, such as office rent and equipment
- Office closure costs, removals and document retention
- Participating employer's debt on withdrawal from pension scheme
- Contingency sum for outstanding liabilities
- Any reimbursement of funding as required by funders
- Legal and advisory costs on orderly withdrawal from activities
- Accountancy, audit, independent examination and other costs of winding up

The trustees consider that unrestricted funds levels of between £120,000 - £180,000 is sufficient.

The trustees may at any time create a reserve for any purpose contained in the Business Plan, or as required and approved by the funder, or close out a reserve when no longer required or appropriate. The trustees may create and maintain the reserves aggregated as a pool within general activity income funds, not necessarily wholly specific to general activity such that part may be related and applied in the event ultimately against any Restricted Income fund activity if or as required.

# TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### **Investment policy**

The policy is to place the investment of surplus funds in the bank deposit accounts with The Royal Bank of Scotland plc. The policy, in line with the bank changing the range of deposits accounts available, is to continue solely with the operation of a deposit for the portion of funds not envisioned to be needed to be drawn in the shorter term to be placed on deposit with a withdrawal notice period of ninety-five days.

The trustees examine the major strategic, business and operational risks that the charity faces. The trustees confirm that systems are in place and monitored to mitigate those risks. These systems are subjected to regular review, including the updating of insurance cover, staff employment procedures, financial procedures and authorisation processes.

#### Plans for future periods

During the year, we experienced some of the most significant challenges the charity has ever faced. A large drop in our income, with little notice, necessitated a Herculean effort from Trustees and the staff team to ensure that the charity was able to weather this storm. In rising to this challenge, we have demonstrated the charity is able to respond to the most demanding of situations. We have implemented a new business model, which has seen us develop relationships with new funders and diversify our funding.

We end the year with the charity in a strong position to continue to build on the progress we have made. For over 60 years Crawley Community has been making a positive contribution to our community. We are pleased to remain in a strong position to be planning for our future and responding to the needs of our beneficiaries.

In the coming year we are looking forward to:

- Working with the National Lottery Reaching Communities Fund to develop our new volunteering programme 'Crawley Volunteers'
- Continuing to work with Heads On and the NHS Community Partnership Fund to who support our Living Healthier Lives project.
- Developing new services at the Orchard to ensure that it is sustainable and that it continues to serve the needs of local voluntary and community sector.
- Working with our funders and partners in the NHS to continue to support clients through our successful Crawley Social Prescribing service.
- Providing the best possible support to local community groups with support from the Postcode Society Trust and Crawley Borough Council.

#### Structure, governance and management

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Sue Bloom (Chair) (Appointed 02/10/2013)

Ashwin Soni (Finance Director) (Appointed 10/10/2019)

Jeremy Yeats-Edwards (Vice-Chair) (Appointed 05/10/2009)

Paul Castle (Company Secretary) (Appointed 03/10/2011)

Chris Cheshire DL (Appointed 17/09/2004)

Dr Iyadh Daoud (Appointed 19/09/2003)

Vivienne Gray (Appointed 02/10/2013)

Marilyn Le Feuvre (Appointed 10/10/2018)

David Murphy (Appointed 17/07/2002)

Peter Mansfield-Clark (Appointed 20 January 2022)

The trustees are members of the charitable company. Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association the liability of the members is limited, undertaking to contribute to the assets of the charitable company in the event of a winding up, an amount not exceeding £1.

Trustees are elected by members of the charitable company at a General Meeting.

Not less than three quarters of the board of trustees from time to time shall be, or be elected by, members of the charitable company, i.e. representing an organisation which is a member of the charitable company. The board of trustees may from time to time appoint any person to be a trustee to fill a casual vacancy to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting.

# TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees examine the major strategic, business and operational risks that the charity faces. The trustees confirm that systems are in place and monitored to mitigate those risks. These systems are subjected to regular review, including the updating of insurance cover, staff employment procedures, financial procedures and authorisation processes. The principal risks relate to keeping up-to-date with legislation and regulations, and to having robust IT systems and communication, adequate funding, good staffing, and other resources to enhance performance on projects to develop and sustain well-funded services.

New trustees are given an induction pack which contains the Memorandum and Articles of the Association and a copy of the current policies and procedures. This pack is used alongside training given by the experienced members of the board and the Chief Executive.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Sue Bloom (Chair) (Appointed 02/10/2013)

Trustee

Date: 29/09/2022

#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

#### TO THE TRUSTEES OF CRAWLEY COMMUNITY ACTION LTD

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Crawley Community Action Ltd (the charitable company) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charitable company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charitable company's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

Since the charitable company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of , which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charitable company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Darren Harding ACA FCCA DChA
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Dated: ...13/10/2022

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Current financial year						
		funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Total
		general 2022	designated 2022	2022	2022	2021
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations	3	71,071	-	367,891	438,962	349,918
Charitable activities	4	112,409	-	-	112,409	95,368
Investments	5	97			97	784
Total income		183,577	-	367,891	551,468	446,070
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Provision of CCA support	6	197,619	-	301,107	498,726	453,880
Total charitable expenditure		197,619		301,107	498,726	453,880
Other	10	(13,930)	-		(13,930)	(3,197)
Total expenditure		183,689	-	301,107	484,796	450,683
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	hefore					
transfers	belore	(112)	-	66,784	66,672	(4,613)
Gross transfers between funds		(15,274)	25,000	(9,726)		
Net (expenditure)/income for the y	ear/					
Net movement in funds		(15,386)	25,000	57,058	66,672	(4,613)
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		180,207	48,000	3,557	231,764	236,377
Fund balances at 31 March 2022		164,821	73,000	60,615	298,436	231,764

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Prior financial year		Unrestricted	I Immediated	Restricted	Total
		funds	funds	funds	iotai
		general	designated	2021	2021
	Notes	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £
Income from:	Notes	*	*	<b>₩</b>	*
Donations	3	158,342	-	191,576	349,918
Charitable activities	4	2,785	-	92,583	95,368
Investments	5	784			784
Total income		161,911	-	284,159	446,070
Expenditure on:					
<u>Charitable activities</u>					
Provision of CCA support	6	164,093		289,787	453,880
Total charitable expenditure		164,093	-	289,787	453,880
Other	10	(3,197)	-	-	(3,197)
Total expenditure		160,896		289,787	450,683
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before transfers		1,015		(5,628)	(4,613)
Gross transfers between funds		17,152	-	(17,152)	-
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/					
Net movement in funds		18,167	-	(22,780)	(4,613)
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		162,040	48,000	26,337	236,377
Fund balances at 31 March 2021		180,207	48,000	3,557	231,764

#### **BALANCE SHEET**

# AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

		2022	2	2021	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current assets Debtors	11	59,156		72,734	
Cash at bank and in hand	11	430,662		346,976	
Cush at bank and in hand					
		489,818		419,710	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one					
year	12	(188,020)		(170,654)	
N		-	201.500	***	210.056
Net current assets			301,798		249,056
Provisions for liabilities			(3,362)		(17,292)
			(3,302)		
Net assets			298,436		231,764
			====		
Income funds			40 41 6		
Restricted funds	15		60,615		3,557
Unrestricted funds Designated funds	16	73,000		48,000	
General unrestricted funds	10	164,821		180,207	
Constant announced rands					
			237,821		228,207
			3		
			298,436		231,764
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The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 39.109.120.12

Ashwin Soni (Finance Director) (Appointed 10/10/2019) Paul Castle (Company Secretary) (Appointed 03/10/2011)

Trustee

Trustee

Company registration number 04488714

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### **Charity information**

Crawley Community Action Ltd is a charitable company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is The Orchard, 1-2 Gleneagles Court, Brighton Road, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6AD.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charitable company has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charitable company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charitable company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The purpose and use of the designated fund is described and set out in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Income funds are those which are to be used in accordance within the specific restrictions imposed by the grant providers, donors, or other income providers for particular purposes. The purpose and use of the Restricted Income funds is described and set out in the notes to the accounts.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charitable company is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Income from charitable activities includes income from grants and contract income, donations, management fees and other income generated to supplement funding towards providing core services, and includes premises management operation income of rent, service charges and other premises activity related income from the hire of the meeting rooms at The Orchard generated to provide services to tenants.

Investment income comprises interest earned on bank deposits.

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities and related expenditure are recognised in full in the accounts as soon as the obligation arises. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and includes attributable Value Added Tax (VAT) which cannot be recovered. Charitable activities are all the resources expended by the charitable company in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Fixed assets such as computer and office equipment are capitalised if the purchase cost exceeds £10,000.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Office equipment

1-2 years Straight Line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

The purchase of minor items of computer and office equipment, and accounting software is not capitalised as tangible fixed assets but written off to the income and expenditure account in the year of purchase on the basis that they retain little value.

#### 1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

#### 1.8 Financial instruments

The charitable company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

#### 1.9 Taxation

The charitable company is a registered charity, and is exempt from corporation tax on its income applied for charitable purposes.

#### 1.10 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the charitable company has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the charitable company will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value. When a provision is measured at present value, the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in net income/(expenditure) in the period in which it arises.

#### 1.11 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charitable company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

#### 1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

The scheme is a multi-employer scheme where the scheme is currently in deficit, and since the charitable company has agreed to a deficit funding arrangement, the charitable company recognises a liability for this obligation. The amount recognised is the net present value of the deficit reduction contributions payable under the agreement that relates to the deficit. Further details are given in the notes to the accounts.

#### 1.13 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

#### 1.14 Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charitable company has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any discounts due.

# 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charitable company'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.

#### **Deferred income**

Grant or contract income is deferred where the income is in respect of a future accounting period.

#### **Pension liability**

A provision is made for a potential pension funding shortfall in the accounts. The provision is based on an estimated shortfall figure provided by the scheme actuary.

#### 3 Donations

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
0			U	2021	2021
2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
£	£	£	£	£	£
-	-	-	1,422	-	1,422
71,071	367,891	438,962	156,920	191,576	348,496
71,071	367,891	438,962	158,342	191,576	349,918
	funds general 2022 £	funds general 2022 2022 £ £  71,071 367,891	funds general 2022 2022 2022 £ £ £  71,071 367,891 438,962	funds general         funds general         funds general           2022         2022         2022         2021           £         £         £         £           -         -         -         1,422           71,071         367,891         438,962         156,920	funds general         funds general         funds general         funds general           2022         2022         2022         2021         2021           £         £         £         £         £           -         -         -         1,422         -           71,071         367,891         438,962         156,920         191,576

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

# 4 Charitable activities

	Provision of Provision CCA support CCA supp	
	2022	2021
	£	£
Sales within charitable activities	73,696	69,379
Charitable rental income	37,725	23,571
Other income	988	2,418
	112,409	95,368
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds - general	112,409	2,785
Restricted funds	-	92,583

# 5 Investments

	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	funds	funds
	general	general
	2022	2021
	£	£
Interest receivable	97	784

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

# 6 Charitable activities

	CCA support	Provision of CCA support
	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs	322,882	341,992
Staff/Volunteer travelling	327	399
Staff training	180	100
Fundraising costs	5,825	-
Recruitment advertising	348	5,255
Project fees	63,996	25,602
Marketing costs	5,447	-
Rent	2,894	-
	401,899	373,348
Share of support costs (see note 7)	91,857	75,751
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	4,970	4,781
	498,726	453,880
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds - general	197,619	164,093
Restricted funds	301,107	289,787
Restricted funds	501,107	
	498,726	453,880

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Support costs	Governance costs	2022	Support costs	Governance costs	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Service and water charges	5,786	-	5,786	919	-	919
Insurance	4,513	-	4,513	4,377	-	4,377
Light and heat	12,402	-	12,402	11,413	-	11,413
Maintenance and other						
premises costs	16,185	-	16,185	13,349	-	13,349
Office equipment	8,275	-	8,275	17,663	-	17,663
Printing, postage and						
stationery	6,708	-	6,708	6,277	-	6,277
Telephone	12,209	-	12,209	12,966	-	12,966
Subscriptions	1,416	-	1,416	1,914	-	1,914
Consultancy fees and						
software	22,667	-	22,667	6,469	-	6,469
General expenses	1,696	-	1,696	404	-	404
Independent examination						
fees	-	3,000	3,000	-	2,820	2,820
Legal and professional	-	1,970	1,970	-	1,961	1,961
	91,857	4,970	96,827	75,751	4,781	80,532
Analysed between				<del></del>		
Charitable activities	91,857	4,970	96,827	75,751	4,781	80,532

Governance costs includes payments to the Independent Examiner of £3,000 (2021- £2,820) for the independent examination.

#### 8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charitable company during the year.

# Trustees' expenses

There were a total of £803 expenses paid to trustees in the year ended 31 March 2022. There were no trustees' expenses paid in the year ended 31 March 2021.

# 9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
Core service	4	5
Premises management	1	3
Social prescribing	5	5
Total	10	13

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

9	Employees		(Continued)
	Employment costs	2022	2021
	• •	£	£
	Wages and salaries	278,470	298,936
	Social security costs	24,778	25,634
	Other pension costs	19,634	17,422
		322,882	341,992

# **Key Management Personnel**

1 member of staff was deemed to be key management personnel. The total employment benefits of key management personnel were £40,209 (2021 - £Nil).

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

#### 10 Other

			Unrestricted funds general 2022	Unrestricted funds general 2021
	Pension provision credit		(13,930)	(3,197)
			(13,930)	(3,197)
11	Debtors			
	Amounts falling due within one year:		2022 £	2021 £
	Trade debtors		56,357	54,967
	Other debtors		2,799	17,767
			59,156	72,734
12	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
		Notes	2022 £	2021 £
		rtotes	*	<b>3</b> ₩
	Deferred income	14	103,234	128,497
	Trade creditors		78,817	25,534
	Other creditors		3,149	4,186
	Accruals		2,820	12,437
			188,020	170,654

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Provisions for liabilities	2022 £	2021 £
	Pension provision	3,362	17,292
	Movements on provisions:		Pension provision £
	At 1 April 2021 Utilisation of provision Unwinding of discount Adjustment for change in discount rate At 31 March 2022		17,292 (4,376) 100 (9,654) 3,362
14	Deferred income	2022 £	2021 £
	Arising from Deferred income	103,234	128,497

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### 15 Restricted funds

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

	Movement in funds					
	Balance at 1 April 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 31 March	
	£	£	£	£	2022	
Premises fund	3,557	_	_	(3,557)	_	
Horsham Advice Work	· -	50,400	(47,231)	(3,169)	_	
Thriving communities	-	117,328	(74,404)	-	42,924	
Social Prescribing	-	155,536	(138,866)	(3,000)	13,671	
SCF	-	20,000	(20,000)	-	-	
Living Healthier Lives	-	24,627	(20,606)	-	4,020	
	3,557	367,891	(301,107)	(9,726)	60,615	
	Movement in funds					
	Balance at 1 April 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 31 March	
	£	£	£	£	2021	
Premises fund	17,598	92,582	(92,003)	(14,620)	3,557	
Community training	1,209	-	-	(1,209)	-	
Young Crawley Family Credits	-	_	(7,690)	7,690	_	
Prescription Plus - pilot	_	104,215	(102,715)	(1,500)	_	
Prescription Plus - CCG	2,545	78,478	(79,595)	(1,428)	_	
CREW project	4,984	-	(2,288)	(2,696)	_	
Horsham Advice Work	-	21,809	(20,640)	(1,169)	-	
Thriving communities	-	22,672	(20,452)	(2,220)	-	
	26,337	319,756	(325,383)	(17,152)	3,557	

# Restricted income funds - Review of operations

The Premises fund is the departmental operation overseen by a Premises and Reception Officer to run the building at The Orchard with its many charitable sector tenants. All the building running costs are accounted for by Crawley Community & Voluntary Service as lead manager for The Orchard building, to be then recharged to all tenants by way of rent and a variable quarterly service charge. The Premises fund for The Orchard building premises management operation is accounted for within Crawley Community Action as a distinct restricted income fund operation in order to disclose clear accountability to the tenants.

The Premises fund operation has in the past built up a Sinking fund, Contingency fund and Bad debt provision from the operating budget each year to provide for future contingencies and the major costs of the up-keep of the building. The amount of these funds set aside totalled £nil at 31 March 2022.

Over the past years contracts for The Orchard have been reviewed to seek to gain best value for money, and with nearly full occupation of The Orchard, increased meeting room hire income, and income from short-term letting of spare office space, the Premises management operation has been able to maintain a quarterly service charge rate of £12 per square foot to its tenants from March 2019.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

15 Restricted funds (Continued)

CCA continues to see The Orchard building as a key resource for tenants and their operations in Crawley providing well-equipped offices, meeting rooms and facilities.

CCA was granted a lease to the building at The Orchard, 1 & 2 Gleneagles Court, Brighton Road, Crawley in 2006 by Crawley Borough Council to manage the building for several charitable organisations to move in together as tenants to create a successful voluntary sector centre for Crawley.

The Premises and Resources Officer continued with the programme of up-dating the facilities and equipment that the Premises management operation provides with expenditure on improved and other improvements to the facilities within the building for the benefit of tenants and their staff, room hirers and visitors to The Orchard building.

As part of our membership of the West Sussex Infrastructure Alliance, we have continued to contribute to county-wide initiatives and programmes. This has included developing volunteering services and a piece of work to implement a volunteering system that can be better integrated with our partners across the county. As part of our commitment to the Alliance, and in support of our neighbouring areas, we worked in partnership with Horsham Council to provide developmental support to community groups in their district. This work was delivered by a CCA staff member who was embedded within the council's voluntary sector support service and ensured county-wide infrastructure support was available. Having played an important role in supporting this work, during the year we were pleased to hand it over to a charity based in Horsham as a more appropriate and sustainable way to deliver this service.

In 2020 we received a grant from Sussex Community Foundation to undertake focussed work with groups from minority ethnic communities. Following the decision by the Borough Council to stop core funding for CCA, which included support to local community groups, we sought agreement from the SCF to shift the focus of the funded work. We were very grateful for their flexibility, which enabled us to maintain a broader package of support for the local community. Group development support was made available to minority ethnic groups under our Living Healthier Lives project, which is addressing health inequalities within diverse communities. With these separate strands of work we were able to maintain our group development offer to the local community.

Social Prescribing has been a significant part of our work during the year. This includes our contract with the Clinical Commissioning Group (now Integrated Care Service) to provide social prescribing services to local residents. This work has been undertaken as part of our Crawley Social Prescribing service. We have also delivered other pieces of work as part of our social prescribing services. We have undertaken specialist social prescribing work with people from minority communities, as well as increasing our engagement with those communities to raise awareness of social prescribing. This work has been carried out as part of our Living Healthier Lives Project. We have also been active in leading developments in social prescribing across the South East region. Crawley Community Action hosts the South East Regional Lead for the Thriving Communities Programme, run by the National Academy for Social Prescribing (NASP). This programme's aim is to support the voluntary and community sector and social enterprises to engage with social prescribing. Part of the Thriving Communities programme involves recruiting voluntary and community sector organisations to the Learning Together programme and offering funding and communication opportunities from NASP partners. This fund is restricted to the work that is being undertaken by NASP and their partners.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### 16 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 April 2020	Incoming resources	Balance at 1 April 2021	Transfers	Balance at 31 March
	£	£	£	£	2022
Redundancy provision	8,000	-	8,000	-	8,000
Pension liability provision	40,000		40,000	25,000	65,000
	48,000	-	48,000	25,000	73,000

The redundancy provision is the amount set aside by the trustees to establish a fund for future redundancy costs.

The pension liability provision is the amount set aside by the trustees to establish a fund to cover the potential additional amount of estimated participating employer's debt on withdrawal liability for the portion of the pension fund deficit attributed to Crawley Community Action Ltd over and above that already provided in the accounts.

#### 17 Analysis of net assets between funds

Amarysis of het assets between funds	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by:				
Current assets/(liabilities)	168,183	73,000	60,615	301,798
Provisions	(3,362)	_	-	(3,362)
	<u> </u>			
	164,821	73,000	60,615	298,436
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total
	funds	funds	funds	
	2021	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2020 are represented by:				
Current assets/(liabilities)	197,499	48,000	3,557	249,056
Provisions	(17,292)	-	-	(17,292)
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	180,207	48,000	3,557	231,764

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### 18 Operating lease commitments

At the reporting end date the charitable company had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Within one year	536	4,555
Between two and five years	-	536
	536	5,091
	===	

The charitable company leases one multifunctional photocopier/printer, and a mail franking machine, as facilities for use by tenants and in office administration. There are two operating leases covering these machines, one lease for a period of sixty months which commenced in May 2017 when the previous lease expired, and one lease for a period of seventy five months which commenced in October 2016. Each lease is payable by quarterly instalments.

# 19 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).

# 20 COVID-19

At the reporting date COVID-19 caused widespread lockdown measures to be imposed in the UK and worldwide. This has resulted in a reduction in both supply and demand in the economy. It is not currently possible to estimate the impact this will have on the future financial results of the charitable company. Management have assessed the impact of COVID-19 on the results reported for the financial year ended 31 March 2022 and consider that all COVID-19 related costs and effects have been reflected in the accounts.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### 21 Pension costs

The company participates in the scheme, a multi-employer scheme which provides benefits to some 950 non-associated participating employers. The scheme is a defined benefit scheme in the UK. It is not possible for the company to obtain sufficient information to enable it to account for the scheme as a defined benefit scheme. Therefore it accounts for the scheme as a defined contribution scheme.

The scheme is subject to the funding legislation outlined in the Pensions Act 2004 which came into force on 30 December 2005. This, together with documents issued by the Pensions Regulator and Technical Actuarial Standards issued by the Financial Reporting Council, set out the framework for funding defined benefit occupational pension schemes in the UK.

The scheme is classified as a 'last-man standing arrangement'. Therefore the company is potentially liable for other participating employers' obligations if those employers are unable to meet their share of the scheme deficit following withdrawal from the scheme. Participating employers are legally required to meet their share of the scheme deficit on an annuity purchase basis on withdrawal from the scheme.

A full actuarial valuation for the scheme was carried out at 30 September 2017. This valuation showed assets of £794.9m, liabilities of £926.4m and a deficit of £131.5m. To eliminate this funding shortfall, the Trustee has asked the participating employers to pay additional contributions to the scheme as follows:

Unless a concession has been agreed with the Trustee the term to 31 January 2025 applies.

Note that the scheme's previous valuation was carried out with an effective date of 30 September 2014. This valuation showed assets of £793.4m, liabilities of £969.9m and a deficit of £176.5m. To eliminate this funding shortfall, the Trustee has asked the participating employers to pay additional contributions to the scheme as follows:

The recovery plan contributions are allocated to each participating employer in line with their estimated share of the Series 1 and Series 2 scheme liabilities.

Where the scheme is in deficit and where the company has agreed to a deficit funding arrangement the company recognises a liability for this obligation. The amount recognised is the net present value of the deficit reduction contributions payable under the agreement that relates to the deficit. The present value is calculated using the discount rate detailed in these disclosures. The unwinding of the discount rate is recognised as a finance cost.

The discount rates shown above are the equivalent single discount rates which, when used to discount the future recovery plan contributions due, would give the same results as using a full AA corporate bond yield curve to discount the same recovery plan contributions.