# STAKEHOLDER DEMOCRACY NETWORK (Limited by guarantee)

# DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

Company No: 05101121 Charity No: 1148143

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#### **REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

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# STAKEHOLDER DEMOCRACY NETWORK (Limited by guarantee)

#### **DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

The trustees are pleased to present their annual consolidated directors' and trustees report together with the financial statements of the Stakeholder Democracy Network (the 'Charity' or 'Company') and its subsidiaries (together the 'Group') for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statements 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).

#### **OUR PURPOSE AND ACTIVITIES**

Our vision is one of a new global economic and social contract, which corrects the asymmetry of power in negotiating social contracts between stakeholders in the global economy. Our vision is one that ensures basic rights – including economic and social development – are not sacrificed in one part of the world to the benefit of another.

Our mission is to support the efforts of those affected by extractive industries and weak governance through rights based community empowerment. We strive to protect human rights and demand responsive governance.

The Stakeholder Democracy Network group supports the efforts of those affected by the extractives industry and weak governance. We work with governments, companies, communities and other stakeholders to ensure the promotion and protection of human rights. The group has operated for over 15 years in the Niger Delta and has offices in Port Harcourt (Nigeria) and London (UK). Our work is underpinned by strong relationships with stakeholders across the region, our local presence, and a focus on research and political economy analysis, which helps us to understand and respond to the constantly shifting dynamics of the Niger Delta with work that has meaningful benefit for the people of the region.

The group has two subsidiaries that are registered in Nigeria whose activity is to aid Stakeholder Democracy Network to carry out its objectives in Nigeria. The first of these is Citizens Direct Network Limited, a company registered with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) in the Federal Republic of Nigeria with the company number 847695. The second of these is Niger Delta Stakeholders Initiative for Community Development and Empowerment, a company registered with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) in the Federal Republic of Nigeria with the company number CAC/IT/NO 73022. The SDN Board of Trustees have agreed to the closure of the Citizens Direct Network. This decision was taken as a way to streamline the structure of SDN, reduce SDN's administrative work and so reduce SDN's costs. The Citizens Direct Network has not been operational for a few years and so the closure of Citizens Direct Network will have no impact on the operations or future work of the SDN Group.

#### Achievement and activities

The group continued to gain relevance and have influence on development initiatives within the Niger Delta region. This was done through expanding its number of funding partnerships and increasing its relationships with existing funding partners. Main activities for the period under review were the implementation of alternative livelihood pilots to help prove the economy can be diversified away from the oil industry and provide economic empowerment to citizens of the Niger Delta; the setup of oil spill clean-up monitoring activities in Ogoniland; assisting the Federal Government in Nigeria to produce coordinated policy plans for development in the Niger Delta region; working with INEC to understand the lessons learnt from recent elections and how these can help improve future elections processes; working with the Ministry of Environment to promote the passing of key environmental legislation; and amplifying the voices of local communities through radio discussion to make sure their views are taken into consideration in political and development processes. The Trustees have focused on delivering sustainable impacts through programmes that provide good value for money so that donor funds can be used to maximum effect on the ground in the Niger Delta and further deepen the community engagement work that is fundamental to the group's success.

Like most organisation around the globe, we were heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. However, we were able to implement COVID secure ways of working which meant that we could continue the operations of our work in a safe and productive manner. We were fortunate to not have any known cases of COVID related to the work that we implement. We will continue to keep a focus on the evolving risks related to the pandemic in order to manage these.

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#### **DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT (Cont/d)**

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#### Public benefit statement

In shaping our objectives for the year and planning our activities, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit: running a charity (PD2). The achievements and activities above demonstrate the public benefit arising through the group's activities.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Statement of Financial Activities showed a deficit of £319,914 (2020 – surplus £108,105) for the year and reserves stand at £317,361 (2020 - £637,275).

The financial position of the group was challenged, but ultimately maintained, during the reporting period as we, like most other organisations, felt the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the global economy and the international development sector. The group benefited from some long term funding contracts which helped ensure consistency of funding during the audited period. We also secured new funding relationships through the audited period which sets us up well to further leverage these and carry forward our fundraising momentum into future opportunities.

#### Principal funding sources

The main funding sources for the group are grants awarded from government agencies. During the period under review the main grant authorities were The Netherlands Embassy in Abuja, the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, and The MacArthur Foundation.

#### Investment powers and policy

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the group has the power to invest in any way the Trustees see fit.

#### Reserves policy

The Trustees consider it prudent to maintain an adequate balance of unrestricted reserves to cover the group's contractual commitments and provide a sound base for the future. This should be equivalent to a minimum level of 2 months of the annual budget. At the  $30^{th}$  April 2021 the unrestricted reserves not invested in fixed assets totalled £195,228 (2020 – £270,063).

#### **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

The charitable group has further built upon partnerships with the Nigerian government administration at a Federal, State and Local level and will further leverage these to amplify the voice of local communities in order for them to actively participate in their own development. The charitable group will continue to extend its community based work to help diversify the economy away from the oil industry and provide meaningful development opportunities for the citizens of the Niger Delta. The donor base will continue to be increased so that income streams are diversified which will help to reduce financial risk within the organisation. This is a time of significant change and opportunity in the Niger Delta as we move towards the next Presidential elections and therefore the group will look to capitalise on this through its long-term experience at both the grass-roots and policy level.

The SDN Board of Trustees have agreed to the closure of the Citizens Direct Network. This decision was taken as a way to streamline the structure of SDN, reduce SDN's administrative work and so reduce SDN's costs. The Citizens Direct Network has not been operational for a few years and so the closure of Citizens Direct Network will have no impact on the operations or future work of the SDN Group.

#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Company Number: 05101121

Charity Number: 1148143

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#### **DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT (Cont/d)**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### **Directors and Trustees:**

J D'Angelo - Chairperson Professor M Anikpo J A H Croft R J Ekperi A Holliday (resigned on 10 January 2021) I D Pedro D M Pearson

Secretary: C A Laing (appointed on 20 November 2020), B Ingle (resigned on 20 November 2020)

Senior Management: C A Laing (appointed on 20 November 2020), B Ingle (resigned on 20 November 2020)

Registered Office: The Green House, 244-254 Cambridge Heath Road, London, E2 9DA

Auditors: SKS Audit LLP, 3 Sheen Road, Richmond TW9 1AD

Bankers: Lloyds Bank Plc, Thame Branch, 13 Cornmarket Thame, Oxfordshire OX9 2BN

#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Governing document

Stakeholder Democracy Network is a company limited by guarantee and not having a capital divided by shares.

The company was incorporated on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2004 and registered as a charity on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2012. It is a registered charity constituted as a limited company under the Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Charity's registration number is 1148143 and the company registration number is 05101121.

#### **Appointment of trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association, the Chair of the Trustees is nominated by existing Trustees. The Directors of the organisation are also the Trustees for the purposes of charity law.

The Board of Trustees has the power to appoint additional Trustees as it considers fit to do so, in line with the company's governing documents.

The Trustees in office in the year are set out on page 3. The Trustees have no beneficial interest in the group other than as members. The Trustees are also the directors of the Parent company. All of the Trustees are members of the Parent company and guarantee to contribute £1 each in the event of a winding up.

#### Trustee induction and training

The Trustees maintain a good working knowledge of charity and company law and best practise through their professional and business interests. New Trustees are given copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association

#### Organisation

The Board of Trustees, which comprises six members, administers the group. The Board meets periodically to review the affairs of the group and to consider strategies and operations. To facilitate activities, the Board have delegated authority, within terms of delegation approved by the Trustees, for operational matters including financial, employment and other related activities. All decisions relating to strategy and policy are made by the Board of Trustees.

#### Risk management

The Management Committee has conducted a review of the major risk to which the group is exposed. A risk register has been established and is updated at least annually. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the group faces.

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#### **DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT (Cont/d)**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### Related parties

The Trustees have no beneficial interest in the company other than as members.

Five of the Trustees (J D'Angelo, J A H Croft, I D Pedro, Professor M Anikpo and R J Ekperi) are also Trustees of Niger Delta Stakeholders Initiative for Community Development and Empowerment which is one of Stakeholder Democracy Network's subsidiary entities operating in Nigeria.

#### Pay policy for senior staff

The arrangements for setting the pay and remuneration of the group's staff is done by the group's Management Team and included within the company's budgeting process. The setting of pay and remuneration for the Executive Director is approved by the Board and Directors.

#### **Members of the Management Committee**

Members of the Management Committee, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 4.

#### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees (who are also directors of Stakeholder Democracy Network for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Directors 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 company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the 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 company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the group and the financial information included on the group's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

#### STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE TO AUDITOR

So far as the Directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the Directors have taken all the necessary steps that we ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the group's auditors are aware of that information.

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#### **DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT (Cont/d)**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### **AUDITORS**

A resolution will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting that SKS Audit LLP be re-appointed as auditors of the Charity for the ensuing year.

#### **SMALL COMPANIES EXEMPTION**

The report of the directors has been prepared taking advantage of the small companies' exemption of section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **APPROVAL**

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

J D'Angelo CHAIRPERSON 30 March 2022

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

#### STAKEHOLDER DEMOCRACY NETWORK

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Stakeholder Democracy Network for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities (Summary Income and Expenditure Account), Statement of Financial Activities (Summary Income and Expenditure Account), the Consolidated Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and Consolidated 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 state of the group's and charitable company's affairs as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and of the group's and charitable company's incoming resources and application of resources, including the group's and charitable company's 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 requirements of the Companies Act 2011.

#### **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 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Stakeholder Democracy Network's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. 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 directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements: and
- The directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF (Contd/)

#### STAKEHOLDER DEMOCRACY NETWORK

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#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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;
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns;
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made;
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit;
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Directors' and Trustees' Report.

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statements set out on page 13, the directors 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 directors 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 directors are responsible for assessing the group's and 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 directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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.

Audit procedures undertaken in response to the potential risks relating to irregularities (which include fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations) comprised of: inquiries of management and the Trustees as to whether the entity complies with such laws and regulations; enquiries with the same concerning any actual or potential litigation or claims; inspection of relevant legal correspondence; review of Trustee meeting minutes; testing the appropriateness of journal entries; and the performance of analytical review to identify unexpected movements in account balances which may be indicative of fraud.

No instances of material non-compliance were identified. However, the likelihood of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is limited by the inherent difficulty in detecting irregularities, the effectiveness of the entity's controls, and the nature, timing and extent of the audit procedures performed. Irregularities that result from fraud might be inherently more difficult to detect than irregularities that result from error. As explained above, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit has been planned and performed in accordance with ISAs (UK).

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

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF (Contd/)

#### STAKEHOLDER DEMOCRACY NETWORK

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#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the 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 company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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JAMES FOSKETT (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of SKS AUDIT LLP CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS STATUTORY AUDITOR

3 SHEEN ROAD RICHMOND TW9 1AD

30 March 2022

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#### **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income Grants, donations and legacies	2	34,882	-	34,882	26,442
Income from charitable activities: Grants and contracts Other	3	46,730 -	543,261 -	589,991 -	1,882,792 -
Income from other trading activities: Other		458	-	458	8,353
Investment income: Bank Interest		13	-	13	128
Total income		82,083	543,261	625,344	1,917,715
Expenditure Expenditure on charitable activities	6 , 18	(127,126)	(809,395)	(936,521)	(1,750,564)
Expenditure on trading activities		(14,174)	-	(14,174)	(9,159)
Total expenditure		(141,300)	(809,395)	(950,695)	(1,759,723)
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year before transfers		(59,217)	(266,134)	(325,351)	157,992
Transfers between funds	18	(50,491)	50,491		
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year after transfers		(109,708)	(215,643)	(325,351)	157,992
Gains / (losses) on consolidation		19,776	(14,339)	5,437	(49,887)
Net movements of funds		(89,932)	(229,982)	(319,914)	108,105
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		303,784	333,491	637,275	529,170
Total funds, carried forward	18	213,852	103,509	317,361	637,275

The Statement of Financial Activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

#### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial periods.

#### **TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES**

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the above movement in funds for the above two financial years.

The notes on pages 14 to 30 form part of these accounts.

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#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income Grants, donations and legacies	2	161,394	-	161,394	55,011
Income from charitable activities: Grants and contracts	3	46,731	114,609	161,340	1,255,322
Investment income: Bank Interest		5	-	5	59
Income		208,130	114,609	322,739	1,310,392
Expenditure Expenditure on charitable activities:	8 , 19	333,078	168,888	501,966	1,290,057
Total expenditure		333,078	168,888	501,966	1,290,057
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year before transfers  Transfers between funds		(124,948)	(54,279)	(179,227)	20,335
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year after transfers		(124,948)	(54,279)	(179,227)	20,335
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		201,122	83,602	284,724	264,389
Total funds, carried forward	19	76,174	29,323	105,497	284,724

The Statement of Financial Activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

#### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial periods.

#### **TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES**

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the above movement in funds for the above two financial years.

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#### **GROUP BALANCE SHEET**

#### **AS AT 30 APRIL 2021**

	Notes	GROUP 2021 £	GROUP 2020 £	CHARITY 2021 £	CHARITY 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	14	18,624	33,721	4,850	7,714
Investments	15	-	-	9	9
	_	18,624	33,721	4,859	7,723
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	16	54,396	81,871	25,106	156,804
Cash at bank and in hand		262,859	567,138	84,184	141,322
Total Current Assets	_	317,255	649,009	109,290	298,126
<b>Liabilities</b> Creditors falling due within one year	17	(18,518)	(45,455)	(8,652)	(21,125)
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)	-	298,737	603,554	100,638	277,001
Total assets less current liabilities		317,361	637,275	105,497	284,724
Net assets	=	317,361	637,275	105,497	284,724
The funds of the charity:					
Unrestricted funds	18 & 19	213,852	303,784	76,174	201,122
Restricted funds	18 & 19	103,509	333,491	29,323	83,602
	=	317,361	637,275	105,497	284,724

The Trustees have prepared group accounts in accordance with Section 398 of the Companies Act 2006 and Section 138 of the Charities Act 2011. These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to members of the company.

These accounts were approved by the Board of Directors and Trustees on 30 March 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

...... J D'Angelo (Chairperson)

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	Notes	GROUP 2021 £	GROUP 2020 £	CHARITY 2021 £	CHARITY 2020 £
Cash (outflow) / inflow in operating activities	21	(307,165)	153,103	(57,054)	(58,200)
Cash flows from investing activities					
Interest income Purchase of tangible fixed assets		13 2,873	128 (7,997)	5 (90)	59 (763)
Cash provided by / (used in) investing activities		2,886	(7,869)	(85)	(704)
Increase / (decrease) in cash & cash equivalents in the year		(304,279)	145,234	(57,139)	(58,904)
Cash & cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		567,138	421,904	141,323	200,227
Total cash & cash equivalents at the end of the year		262,859	567,138	84,184	141,323

# STAKEHOLDER DEMOCRACY NETWORK (Limited by guarantee)

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation of accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) – (Charity SORP (FRS 102) Revised), The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006. The group has opted for an early adoption of Charity SORP (FRS 102) Revised.

Stakeholder Democracy Network meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The accounts (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.

#### 1.2 Preparation of accounts on a going concern basis

The Group's Financial Statements show net deficit before gains on consolidation of £317,361 for the year and unspent reserves of £213,852. The trustees are continuing to secure further funding and consider that the group will have sufficient resources for the next 12 months and on this basis the group is a going concern.

#### 1.3 Group financial statements

The group financial statements consolidate the accounts of Stakeholder Democracy Network (the 'company') and its subsidiaries, Citizens Direct Network Limited and Niger Delta Stakeholders Initiative for Community Development and Empowerments. The Directors have taken advantage of the provisions of Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and do not present an individual profit and loss account for the company.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the group has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and amount can be measured reliably.

- Income received by way of grants, donations and legacies are included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received, unless they relate to a specified future period, in which case they are deferred.
- Income from charitable activities received by way of revenue grants and donations are credited to restricted incoming resources on the earlier date of when they are received or when they are receivable, unless they relate to a specified future period, in which case they are deferred.
- Grants, donations and legacies of general nature which are not conditional on delivering certain levels of service are included as part of Grants, Donations and Legacies as shown under note 2 and 3.
- Membership fees are credited to incoming resources in the period to which they relate.
- Facility hire income is recognised as earned (that is, as the related goods or services are provided)
- Investment income is included when receivable.
- Income from activities includes income recognised as earned (as the related goods and services are provided) under contract. Course fees received in advance for the subsequent year are recognised as deferred income until the following year.

#### 1.5 Volunteers and donated services and facilities

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as income when the group has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the group of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the general volunteer time of the Friends is not recognised and refers to the trustees' annual report for more information about their contribution.

On receipt, donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the group which is the amount the group would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt. No such donations were received during the year.

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#### 1.6 Expenditure recognition and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- (a) Costs of generating funds are those cost incurred in attracting voluntary income, running a bar and those incurred in other trading activities that raise funds.
- (b) Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs directly associated holding classes, events and running a sailing centre, to further the purposes of the group and their associated support costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred. Contractual arrangements and performance related grants are recognised as goods or services are supplied.

#### 1.7 Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the group but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance and administration personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the group's programmes and activities. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. The basis on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 6 and 8.

#### 1.8 Funds structure

The general fund comprises those monies, which may be used toward meeting the charitable objectives of the company at the discretion of the Management Board.

The restricted funds are monies raised for, and their use restricted to, a specific purpose or donations subject to donor imposed conditions.

#### 1.9 Tangible Fixed Assets And Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Individual fixed assets costing £500 or more are capitalised at cost.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures, fittings & equipment - 20% Net book value Motor vehicle - 25% Net book value

#### 1.10 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

#### 1.11 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash deposits and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

#### 1.12 Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the group 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 and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

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#### 1.13 Financial instruments

The Trust 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### 1.14 Judgement and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the group's accounting policies, the group is required to make judgments, 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 underling 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. GRANTS, DONATIONS AND LEGACIES INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	GROUI Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Miscellaneous donations	34,882	-	34,882	26,442
	34,882		34,882	26,442
		CHARIT	Υ	
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Nigel Delta Stakeholders Initiative for Community	_	~	~	
Development and Empowerment	140,554	-	140,554	54,491
Furlough Grant	20,840	-	20,840	520
	161,394		161,394	55,011

The donations income in 2020 totalling £26,442 for the Group and £55,011 for the Charity was attributed to unrestricted funds and £nil to restricted funds.

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#### 3. GRANTS AND CONTRACTS INCOME - GROUP

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Netherlands Embassy - Environment & Governance	-	122,920	122,920	289,828
Netherlands Embassy - HYPREP Monitoring	-	89,072	89,072	189,151
Oxford Policy Management	29,638	-	29,638	130,557
Commonwealth Foundation	-	-	-	14,964
Foreign & Commonwealth Office	-	1,567	1,567	760,451
McArthur Foundation	-	114,929	114,929	205,534
PLAC (Shrinking Civil Space in the Niger Delta)	-	156,994	156,994	-
The United Nations Democracy Fund	-	(1,887)	(1,887)	106,689
SOAS	17,092	-	17,092	37,127
United Nation Organisation Drugs and Crime	-	33,049	33,049	-
DFID - Covid 19	-	-	-	84,242
Yar'Adua Foundation	-	26,617	26,617	64,249
	46,730	543,261	589,991	1,882,792

Grants and contracts income in 2020 totalling £1,882,792 consist of £167,684 unrestricted funds and £1,715,108 restricted funds.

#### **GRANTS AND CONTRACTS INCOME - CHARITY**

	CHARITY					
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total		
	Funds	Funds	2021	2020		
	£	£	£	£		
Oxford Policy Management	29,638	-	29,638	130,556		
Commonwealth Foundation	-	-	-	14,964		
Foreign & Commonwealth Office	-	1,567	1,567	760,451		
McArthur Foundation	-	114,929	114,929	205,534		
The United Nations Democracy Fund	-	(1,887)	(1,887)	106,689		
SOAS	17,093	-	17,093	37,127		
	46,731	114,609	161,340	1,255,321		

Grants and contracts income in 2020 totalling £1,255,321 consist of £167,683 unrestricted funds and £1,087,638 restricted funds.

#### 4. TAXATION

Stakeholder Democracy Network is a registered charity in the UK and its subsidiary Niger Delta Stakeholders Initiative for Community Development and Empowerments is a not-for-profit company registered in Nigeria. Therefore, both are exempt from corporation tax on income and gains to the extent they are applied to its charitable objects.

Its other Nigerian subsidiary Citizens Direct Network resumed trading as a 'for profit' organisation from 1 May 2018. Therefore, it is liable to Nigerian corporation tax on chargeable profit and gains from that date. There is no tax liability for the year due to losses suffered in the year.

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#### 5. NET INCOME FROM TRADING ACTIVITIES OF SUBSIDIARY

During the year, the Charity has two subsidiaries as follows:

- (1) Citizens Direct Network Limited (CDN), a company registered with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) in the Federal Republic of Nigeria. The subsidiary was incorporated on 5 October 2009 with the company number 847695. The Charity owns 100% of the shares in the subsidiary company. The initial purpose of the subsidiary is to aid Stakeholder Democracy Network carry out their objectives in Nigeria. From 1 May 2020 the subsidiary resumed being a 'for profit' trading company.
- (2) Niger Delta Stakeholders Initiative for Community Development and Empowerments (NDSICDE) is a company limited by guarantee registered with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) in the Federal Republic of Nigeria. The subsidiary was incorporated on 29 October 2014 with the company number CAC/IT/NO73022 and commenced its operation on September 2020. The Charity is the ultimate controlling party of the subsidiary company as it has control over its operations as prescribed by the subsidiary's constitution. The purpose of the subsidiary is to aid Stakeholder Democracy Network carry out their objectives in Nigeria.

Set out below is a summary of the subsidiary's results before intra group adjustments for the year.

Company (for profit) (for pro		CDN Trading	NDSICDE		CDN Trading	NDSICDE	
Grants, donations and legacies - 116,344 116,344 - 248,297 248,297 Income from charitable activities: Grants and contracts - 428,653 428,653 - 633,890 633,890 Other		Company (for profit)	Subsidiary	2021	Company (for profit)	Subsidiary	2020
Grants and contracts Other         -         428,653         428,653         -         633,890         633,890           Other         -		-	116,344	116,344	-	248,297	248,297
Other         458         -         458         8,353         -         8,353           Investment income:         Bank Interest         -         8         8         -         69         69           Income         458         545,005         545,463         8,353         882,256         890,609           Expenditure         (679,141)         (679,141)         (679,141)         (734,758)         (734,758)         (734,758)         (734,758)         (734,758)         (734,758)         (734,758)         (734,758)         (734,758)         (743,917)         (734,758)         (743,917)         (743,9	Grants and contracts	- -	428,653 -	428,653 -	- -	633,890	633,890 -
Bank Interest   Company   Company	<u> </u>	458	-	458	8,353	-	8,353
Expenditure         -         (679,141)         (679,141)         (679,141)         (734,758)         (734,758)           Expenditure on charitable activities         (14,174)         -         (14,174)         (9,159)         -         (9,159)           Total expenditure         (14,174)         (679,141)         (693,315)         (9,159)         (734,758)         (743,917)           Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year before transfers         (13,716)         (134,136)         (147,852)         (806)         147,498         146,692           Transfers between funds         -		-	8	8	-	69	69
Expenditure on charitable activities         -         (679,141)         (679,141)         (734,758)         (734,758)           Expenditure on trading activities         (14,174)         -         (14,174)         (9,159)         -         (9,159)           Total expenditure         (14,174)         (679,141)         (693,315)         (9,159)         (734,758)         (743,917)           Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year after transfers         (13,716)         (134,136)         (147,852)         (806)         147,498         146,692           Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year after transfers         (13,716)         (134,136)         (147,852)         (806)         147,498         146,692           Gains / (losses) on consolidation         (601)         (25,933)         (26,534)         (637)         (18,325)         (18,962)           Net movements of funds         (14,317)         (160,069)         (174,386)         (1,443)         129,173         127,730           Reconciliation of funds         14,020         372,350         386,370         15,454         243,177         258,631	Income	458	545,005	545,463	8,353	882,256	890,609
Total expenditure         (14,174)         (679,141)         (693,315)         (9,159)         (734,758)         (743,917)           Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year before transfers         (13,716)         (134,136)         (147,852)         (806)         147,498         146,692           Transfers between funds         - <t< td=""><td></td><td>_</td><td>(679,141)</td><td>(679,141)</td><td></td><td>(734,758)</td><td>(734,758)</td></t<>		_	(679,141)	(679,141)		(734,758)	(734,758)
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year before transfers       (13,716)       (134,136)       (147,852)       (806)       147,498       146,692         Transfers between funds       - <td>Expenditure on trading activities</td> <td>(14,174)</td> <td>-</td> <td>(14,174)</td> <td>(9,159)</td> <td>-</td> <td>(9,159)</td>	Expenditure on trading activities	(14,174)	-	(14,174)	(9,159)	-	(9,159)
movement in funds for the year before transfers         (13,716)         (134,136)         (147,852)         (806)         147,498         146,692           Transfers between funds         -         <	Total expenditure	(14,174)	(679,141)	(693,315)	(9,159)	(734,758)	(743,917)
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year after transfers         (13,716)         (134,136)         (147,852)         (806)         147,498         146,692           Gains / (losses) on consolidation         (601)         (25,933)         (26,534)         (637)         (18,325)         (18,962)           Net movements of funds         (14,317)         (160,069)         (174,386)         (1,443)         129,173         127,730           Reconciliation of funds         14,020         372,350         386,370         15,454         243,177         258,631	movement in funds for the year before transfers	(13,716)	(134,136)	(147,852)	(806)	147,498	146,692
movement in funds for the year after transfers         (13,716)         (134,136)         (147,852)         (806)         147,498         146,692           Gains / (losses) on consolidation         (601)         (25,933)         (26,534)         (637)         (18,325)         (18,962)           Net movements of funds         (14,317)         (160,069)         (174,386)         (1,443)         129,173         127,730           Reconciliation of funds           Total funds brought forward         14,020         372,350         386,370         15,454         243,177         258,631							
Net movements of funds         (14,317)         (160,069)         (174,386)         (1,443)         129,173         127,730           Reconciliation of funds           Total funds brought forward         14,020         372,350         386,370         15,454         243,177         258,631	movement in funds for the year after	(13,716)	(134,136)	(147,852)	(806)	147,498	146,692
Reconciliation of funds           Total funds brought forward         14,020         372,350         386,370         15,454         243,177         258,631	Gains / (losses) on consolidation	(601)	(25,933)	(26,534)	(637)	(18,325)	(18,962)
Total funds brought forward 14,020 372,350 386,370 15,454 243,177 258,631	Net movements of funds	(14,317)	(160,069)	(174,386)	(1,443)	129,173	127,730
	Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds, carried forward (297) 212,281 211,984 14,011 372,350 386,361							
	Total funds, carried forward	(297)	212,281	211,984	14,011	372,350	386,361

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#### 6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE - GROUP

		Capacity Building &			
	Basis of	Awareness	0	Total	Total
	allocation	Raising £	Governance £	2021 £	2020 £
Costs directly allocated to active	rities:				
Staff costs	Direct	345,955	-	345,955	553,728
Consultancy	Direct	156,694	-	156,694	305,441
Travel and motor expenses	Direct	38,691	-	38,691	199,760
Premises	Direct	31,377	-	31,377	86,206
Other direct costs	Direct	103,106	-	103,106	243,585
Donations and grants (Note 10)	Direct	36,003	-	36,003	76,188
Support costs (Note 7)		212,837	-	212,837	267,757
Governance costs (Note 7)		-	11,858	11,858	17,899
Total resources expended		924,663	11,858	936,521	1,750,564

Of the £936,521 expenditure in 2021 (2020 - £1,750,550), £127,126 was charged to unrestricted funds (2020 - £197,400) and £809,395 to restricted funds (2020 - £1,553,164).

#### 7. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT AND GOVENANCE COSTS - GROUP

The Group initially identifies the costs of its support functions. It then identifies those costs which relate to the governance function. All the general support and governance costs have been apportioned to the various charitable activities on the basis of transactions, allocated to each activity.

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2021 £	2020 £
General and office finance staff	42,119	-	42,119	68,281
Premises	15,194	-	15,194	23,529
Staff training and subsistence	6,357	-	6,357	18,920
Travel, accommodation and insurance	22,462	-	22,462	60,009
Professional fees	2,338	-	2,338	8,468
Office supplies and communications	23,687	-	23,687	19,998
Computer and Information technology	195	-	195	3,103
Depreciation	10,810	-	10,810	17,538
Sundry expenses	31,452	-	31,452	27,910
Advertising	-	-	-	500
Bank charges	3,748	-	3,748	3,938
Foreign exchange (gains) / loss	47,721	-	47,721	13,015
Entertainment	594	-	594	1,199
Repairs and maintenance	6,160	-	6,160	4,166
Audit fees	-	11,858	11,858	15,068
	212,837	11,858	224,695	285,642

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#### 8. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE - CHARITY

Costs directly allocated to activ	Basis of allocation	Nigerian Subsidiary £	Capacity Building & Awareness Raising £	Governance £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Staff costs Consultancy Travel and motor expenses Premises Other direct costs Donations and grants (Note 10) Support costs (Note 9) Governance costs (Note 9)	Direct Direct Direct Direct Direct	59,343 3,043 1,404 9,159 3,942 - 21,418	168,477 7,529 38,691 17,801 63,770 - 103,198	- - - - - - 4,191	227,820 10,572 40,095 26,960 67,712 - 124,616 4,191	428,324 202,303 212,208 62,169 218,539 30,058 124,475 11,981
		98,309	399,466	4,191	501,966	1,290,057

Of the £501,966 expenditure in 2021 (2020 - £1,290,057), £333,708 was charged to unrestricted funds (2020 - £221,873) and £168,888 to restricted funds (2020 - £1,068,184).

#### 9. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT AND GOVENANCE COSTS - CHARITY

The Charity initially identifies the costs of its support functions. It then identifies those costs which relate to the governance function. All the general support and governance costs have been apportioned to the various charitable activities on the basis of a proportion of direct costs, allocated to each activity.

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2021 £	2020 £
General and office finance staff	56,955	-	56,955	81,232
Premises	8,223	-	8,223	15,051
Staff training and subsistence	1,971	-	1,971	873
Travel, accommodation and insurance	3,444	-	3,444	6,840
Legal and professional fees	13	-	13	4,811
Office supplies and communications	3,748	-	3,748	3,423
Computer and Information technology	1,181	-	1,181	3,103
Depreciation	1,038	-	1,038	1,770
Sundry expenses	40	-	40	-
Advertising	-	-	-	500
Bank charges	1,668	-	1,668	2,020
Foreign exchange loss	46,335	-	46,335	7,683
Audit fees	-	4,191	4,191	9,150
	124,616	4,191	128,807	136,456

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#### 10. GRANTS PAYABLE

Grants payable represents grants made to institutions to support activities in the Niger Delta area.

	GROUP		CHARITY	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Centre for Environment, Human Right and				
Development	36,003	-	-	-
Nigerian Women Trust Fund	-	46,130	-	-
Bayelsa Non-Governmental Organisations Forum	-	10,538	-	10,538
Pax Viva Foundation	-	7,699	-	7,699
International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA)	-	985	-	985
Ken Saro-Wiwa Innovation Hub Start-Ups	-	5,703	-	5,703
Bayelsa Community Rice Mill	-	5,133	-	5,133
	36,003	76,188		30,058

#### 11. NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging:	2021 £	2020 £
Depreciation	10,810	17,538
Audit fee	11,858_	15,068

# 12. ANALYSIS OF STAFF COSTS, TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES, AND COST OF KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

STAFF COSTS	2021 £	2020 £
Salaries Social security Pension	322,483 54,803 23,620	482,229 50,329 46,974
	400,906	579,532

The number of employees receiving employee benefits (excluding employer national insurance and employer pension costs) in excess of £60,000 during the year are as follows:

	2021	2020
	number	number
£60,000 - £69,999	-	1
		1

The key management personnel based in the UK are the Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer and the UK Programmes Director. The key management personnel based in Nigeria are the Nigeria Country Director, Nigerian Programmes Manager and the Finance & Admin Manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the group both in the UK and Nigeria were £163,578 (2020 - £282,357).

No Trustee received any remuneration during the year (2020 - £nil). During the year, no trustees received reimbursed expenses. All Trustee meeting were held over Zoom and therefore did not incur any expense (2020 - £2,831).

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#### 13. STAFF NUMBERS

The average monthly number of staff employed, calculated as full time equivalent, during the year was as follows:

	5 ,	1 7 /	'	, 5 ,	
				2021	2020
	Direct charitable work Administrative work			14 20	19 19
	Total			34	38
	Total				
14.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS – GROUP	AND CHARITY			
	GROUP:			2021 £	2020 £
	NET BOOK VALUES				
	Office equipment Motor vehicle			12,118 6,506	27,206 6,515
	Wotor vernicle			18,624	33,721
	MOVEMENTO IN VEAD			10,024	33,721
	MOVEMENTS IN YEAR Cost	Opening Balances	Additions/ (Disposals)	Disposal/ fx difference	Closing Balances
		£	£	£	£
	Office equipment Motor vehicle	85,967 30,161	(2,873)	(10,632)	72,462 30,161
	Motor verticle	116,128	(2,873)	(10,632)	102,623
		110,120	(2,073)	(10,032)	102,023
			Charge For Year /		
	Danuaciation	Opening	(Elimination on	Impairment /	Closing
	Depreciation	Balances £	disposal) £	fx difference £	Balances £
	Office equipment	58,761	10,445	(8,862)	60,344
	Motor vehicle	23,646	9	(0)	23,655
		82,407	10,454	(8,862)	83,999
	CHARITY:			2021	2020
	NET BOOK VALUES			£	£
	Office equipment			4,850	7,702
				4,850	7,702
	MOVEMENTS IN YEAR				
	Cost	Opening Balances £	Additions £	Disposals £	Closing Balances £
	Office equipment	11,996	90	(1,792)	10,294
	отпос сущритель:	11,996	90	(1,792)	10,294
	Depreciation	Opening	Charge	(1,102)	Closing
	Dopresiation	Balances	For Year	Disposals	Balances
	Office equipment	£	<b>£</b> 1,474	£ (324)	£ 5.444
	Office equipment	4,293	1,474	(324)	5,444
		4,293	1,474	(324)	3,444

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#### 15. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - GROUP AND CHARITY

	GROUP	GROUP		
	2021 2020		2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Investment at cost	-	-	9	9

The investment shown above represents the cost of the entire issued share capital of one subsidiary undertaking, Citizens Direct Network Limited, a company incorporated in the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

The other subsidiary undertaking, Niger Delta Stakeholders Initiative for Community Development and Empowerments, is an incorporated company limited by guarantee in the Federal Republic of Nigeria. There is no share capital in a "limited by guarantee" company.

The combined results for both subsidiaries are set out in note 5.

#### 16. DEBTORS - GROUP AND CHARITY

	GROUP		CHARITY	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors and accrued income	50,079	78,203	-	66,994
Staff loan	94	599	-	-
Other debtors and prepayments	4,223	3,068	718	3,068
Amount owed by subsidiaries	-	-	24,388	86,742
	54,396	81,871	25,106	156,804

#### 17. CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR - GROUP AND CHARITY

	GRO	UP	CHARITY		
	2021	2020	2021	2020	
	£	£	£	£	
Trade creditors	-	16,072	-	-	
Taxation and social security	-	1,169	-	-	
Deferred income (Note 22)	-	-	-	-	
Accruals	13,254	21,214	8,652	14,125	
Amounts owed to subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	
Other creditors	5,264	7,000	-	7,000	
	18,518	45,455	8,652	21,125	

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#### 18. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS - GROUP

	Balance				Balance
a a company of the co	at 01.05.20	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	at 30.04.21
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Netherlands Embassy - Environment & Governance	54,574	122,920	(192,788)	15,294	-
Netherlands Embassy - HYPREP Monitoring	147,277	89,072	(162,163)	-	74,186
PLAC (Shrinking Civil Space in the Niger Delta)	-	156,994	(156,994)	-	-
Foreign & Commonwealth Office	1,567	1,567	(3,134)	-	-
McArthur Foundation	72,286	114,929	(157,892)	-	29,323
The United Nations Democracy Fund	9,749	(1,887)	(7,862)	-	-
United Nation Organisation Drugs and Crime	-	33,049	(33,049)	-	-
PLAC (COVID 19 Intervention Funds)	37,949	-	(73,146)	35,197	-
Yar'Adua Foundation	10,089	26,617	(36,706)	-	-
Total restricted funds	333,491	543,261	(823,734)	50,491	103,509
Unrestricted Funds:					
General funds	303,784	82,083	(121,524)	(50,491)	213,852
Total Funds:	637,275	625,344	(945,258)		317,361

Total expenditure of £945,258 included exchange gain on consolidation of £5,437.

Transfer of £50,491 made from unrestricted funds to Netherlands Embassy- Environment & Governance and PLAC (COID 19 Intervention Funds) represents amounts of core funds used to fund the project before monies have been forwarded to the Charity by the funder.

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#### 18. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS - GROUP (CONT/D)

#### Analysis of movements in funds - previous year

, ,	Balance				Balance
	at 01.05.19	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	at 30.04.20
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Netherlands Embassy - Environment & Governance	-	289,828	(235,254)	-	54,574
Netherlands Embassy - HYPREP Monitoring	-	189,151	(41,874)	-	147,277
Commonwealth Foundation	-	14,964	(22,454)	7,490	-
Foreign & Commonwealth Office	24,113	760,451	(782,997)	-	1,567
McArthur Foundation	3,342	205,534	(136,590)	-	72,286
SACE	-	-	-	-	-
The United Nations Democracy Fund	29,203	106,689	(126,143)	-	9,749
DFID - Elections Observation	3,692	-	(19,024)	15,332	-
OSIWA	98,734	-	(101,182)	2,448	-
DFID Covid-19	-	84,242	(46,293)	-	37,949
Yar'Adua Foundation	-	64,249	(54,160)	-	10,089
Total restricted funds	159,084	1,715,108	(1,565,971)	25,270	333,491
Unrestricted Funds:					
General funds	370,086	202,607	(243,639)	(25,270)	303,784
Total Funds:	529,170	1,917,715	(1,809,610)		637,275

Total expenditure of £1,809,610 included exchange gain on consolidation of £49,887

Transfer of £25,270 made from unrestricted funds to Commonwealth Foundation, DFID - Election Observation and OSIWA represents amounts of core funds used to fund the project before monies have been forwarded to the Charity by the funder.

#### 19. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS - CHARITY

	Balance				Balance
	at 01.05.20	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	at 30.04.21
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Foreign & Commonwealth Office	1,567	1,567	(3,134)	-	-
McArthur Foundation	72,286	114,929	(157,892)	-	29,323
The United Nations Democracy Fund	9,749	(1,887)	(7,862)	-	-
Total restricted funds	83,602	114,609	(168,888)	-	29,323
Unrestricted Funds:					
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General funds	201,122	208,130	(333,078)	-	76,174
Total unrestricted funds	201,122	208,130	(333,078)	-	76,174
Total Funds:	284,724	322,739	(501,966)	_	105,497
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#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Cont/d)

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#### 19. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS - CHARITY (CONT/D)

Analysis of movements in funds - previous year

	Balance				Balance
	at 01.05.19	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	at 30.04.20
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Commonwealth Foundation	-	14,964	(22,454)	7,490	-
Foreign & Commonwealth Office	24,113	760,451	(782,997)	-	1,567
McArthur Foundation	3,342	205,534	(136,590)	-	72,286
The United Nations Democracy Fund	29,203	106,689	(126,143)	-	9,749
Total restricted funds	56,658	1,087,638	(1,068,184)	7,490	83,602
Unrestricted Funds:					
General funds	207,731	222,754	(221,873)	(7,490)	201,122
Total unrestricted funds	207,731	222,754	(221,873)	(7,490)	201,122
Total Funds:	264,389	1,310,392	(1,290,057)	-	284,724

Transfer of £7,490 from unrestricted funds to Commonwealth Foundation represents amounts of core funds used to fund overspending in the project.

#### Description, nature and purpose of funds:

#### Fund

#### Purpose and restrictions in use

Netherlands Embassy – Environment & Governance

This project combines advocacy and social accountability approaches to achieve two main objectives: 1) to promote the clean-up of the Niger Delta and prevent oil spills and gas flaring, through improved environmental regulation and enforcement. Our work includes government engagement and a public campaign to call for improved legislation (particularly the separation of environmental regulation from other aspects of oil industry regulation); promoting compliance with best practice in oil pollution response, clean-up and compensation; and improving the capacity of the Ministry of Environment to enforce regulation. SDN also supports the Bodo Mediation Initiative, which is facilitating the oil spill clean-up in Bodo community, Gokana Local Government Area. 2) to promote good governance, particularly through greater budget transparency and accountability, and working towards free and fair elections. SDN's approach includes working directly with communities to engage with government, hold them to account, and increase citizen participation in government decision making.

Netherlands Embassy – HYPREP Monitoring

Millions of barrels of oil have been spilled in the Niger Delta, and little has been done to ensure it is properly cleaned up. This has had a severe impact on the environment, on health and on livelihoods, exacerbating development challenges in the region. This project will strengthen the ability of civil society to hold the Federal Government of Nigeria to account for a major clean-up of oil spills in the Niger Delta, focusing on the Ogoniland clean-up resulting from more than fifty years of oil spills in the region. It will do this by running an independent monitoring initiative to scrutinise the progress of the clean-up and make this information more accessible to the public. The project is to be delivered over a five-year period, implemented in parallel to the clean-up activities of HYPREP over the next five years.

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#### 19. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS - CHARITY (CONT/D)

PLAC (Shrinking Civil Space in The Niger Delta)

This was a six month project aimed at increasing collective action by civil society to challenge threats and create opportunities to widen the civic space in Rivers state. It aimed to increase civil society action to test and strengthen credibility of the results collation process in upcoming off-cycle/by elections.

Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Through this project, SDN aims to promote stability in the Niger Delta. Our approach combines research, consultation and the implementation of pilot projects to identify and support alternative approaches to stabilisation and development in the region. The lessons are presented to decision-makers at the state, federal and international level, to outline opportunities for scale-up and replication of the innovative approaches in their own activities and policies. The project focuses on Bayelsa, Delta and Rivers states.

McArthur Foundation

This project aims to improve mutual accountability between electricity providers and consumers in Nigeria, and thereby reduce corruption in the industry. It does this through building engagement between electricity customers, distribution companies and regulators, and by promoting greater uptake of reporting mechanisms to prevent fraud. The use of radio shows, town hall meetings and social media are key components of this project. The project is being implemented in Edo and Delta states, and includes key engagements with the Benin Electricity Distribution Company (BEDC).

The United Nations Democracy

Elections in Nigeria, and especially in its oil-producing Niger Delta states, have in the past been disputed and given rise to violence. One of these states, Bayelsa, held elections to choose a new governor in 2021 in what was expected to be a hotly contested election. The project aimed to minimize the risk of dispute and help to ensure the election was free, fair, and credible. It supported the Independent Nigerian Electoral Commission to train staff engaged to oversee polling in at-risk areas so their procedures were effective.

United Nation Organisation Drugs and Crime

This research supported UNODC's organised crime threat assessment for Nigeria by filling a knowledge gap in relation to the structure of cult and pirate groups, how they operate, and the profile of their members. We designed and conducted field research with individuals primarily involved, and delivered all transcripts to UNODC followed by two brief analytical reports.

PLAC(COVID19 Intervention Funds)

This project supported the improved conduct of elections in the Niger Delta. It helped enable INEC, the police and other relevant actors to respond more effectively to electoral fraud and violence, through the provision of high-quality reporting and proactive engagement on observed election risks. Building on previous work by SDN and other organisations involved in observation and documenting electoral incidents in the Niger Delta, the project trained citizen observers to report on indicators of electoral fraud, violence and manipulation. Coordinating with existing civil society initiatives under the umbrella of the Civil Society Situation Room, we worked with the Armed Conflict Location & Event Database Project and Democracy Reporting International to train observers and produce high quality election observation reports.

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#### 19. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS - CHARITY (CONT/D)

Yar'Adua Foundation

This project aims to contribute to the promotion of gender equality in political representation and decision-making in Rivers State, and to contribute to greater understanding of women's status in politics across Akwa Ibom, Bayelsa and Rivers states. It involves consulting women across Rivers State on their priorities in advance of the 2021 elections and working with women's groups to engage with electoral candidates on these policy priorities. We will also be working with the Nigeria Women's Trust Fund to conduct research across the three states to generate original research and greater understanding of the status of women's political engagement and the barriers they face to entering politics in the Niger Delta, and to establish a mentoring scheme for young women interested in entering politics.

#### 20. ANALYSIS OF GROUP ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - GROUP AND CHARITY

GROUP	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020
	2	2	2	~
Fixed assets	18,624	-	18,624	33,721
Net current assets	195,228	103,509	298,737	603,554
	213,852	103,509	317,361	637,275
CHARITY				
Fixed assets	4,850	_	4,850	7,702
Net current assets	71,324	29,323	100,647	277,022
	76,174	29,323	105,497	284,724

#### Analysis of net assets between funds - previous year

GROUP	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	33,721	-	33,721	44,398
Net current assets	270,063	333,491	603,554	484,772
	303,784	333,491	637,275	529,170
CHARITY				
Fixed assets	7,702	-	7,702	8,719
Net current assets	193,420	83,602	277,022	255,670
	201,122	83,602	284,724	264,389

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# 21. RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASHFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES – GROUP AND CHARITY

	GROUP		CHARITY	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Net movement in funds	(319,914)	108,105	(179,227)	20,335
Add back depreciation/loss on disposal/impairment	12,224	18,674	2,953	1,769
Deduct interest income shown in investment activities	(13)	(128)	(5)	(59)
Decrease / (increase) in debtors	27,475	213,237	131,698	121,231
Increase / (decrease) in creditors	(26,937)	(186,785)	(12,473)	(201,476)
Net cash (outflow) / inflow in operating activities	(307,165)	153,103	(57,054)	(58,200)

#### 22. DEFERRED INCOME - GROUP AND CHARITY

	GROUP		CHARITY	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Balance as at 1st May 2020	-	164,349	_	164,349
Amount released to income in the year	-	(164,349)	-	(164,349)
Amount deferred in the year	-	-	-	-
Balance as at 30th April 2021	_			

There is no deferred income at the year end.

Last year's deferred income represents grant income received from The Foreign & Commonwealth Office totalling £164,349. The grant was deferred at the year end as it relates to project expenses specifically for the period after year end.

#### 23. SHARE CAPITAL

The Company is a company limited by guarantee and does not have share capital divided by shares. Under the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association each member is liable to contribute a sum not exceeding £1.00 in the event of the company being wound up.

#### 24. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

#### Effect of COVID-19

During the year, the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic had spread globally resulting in a significant impact on organisations worldwide. As a result, some organisation operations have been restricted. The Charity continues to operate using alternative methods and amend its working practices as appropriate.

The trustees are unable to evaluate the overall financial impact on the Charity at present. Hence financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

The trustees are continuing to monitor, assess and act to the current changing environment in order to position the Charity to ensure its future success, as outlined on page 4 of the trustees' report.

# STAKEHOLDER DEMOCRACY NETWORK (Limited by guarantee)

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Cont/d)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

#### **Citizens Direct Network (CDN) Closure**

The SDN Board of Trustees agreed to the closure of the Citizens Direct Network which was one of SDN's two legal entities that operated in Nigeria. This decision was taken as a way to streamline the structure of SDN, reduce SDN's administrative work and so reduce SDN's costs. The Citizens Direct Network has not been operational for a few years and so the closure of Citizens Direct Network will have no impact on the operations or future work of the SDN Group.