

# Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited

# **Annual Report and Financial Statements**

31 March 2022

Company Registration Number 03073284 (England and Wales)

Charity Registration Number 1048701

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### Reference and administrative information

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The Management Committee presents its report with the financial statements of Waltham Forest Community Transport for the year ended 31 March 2022.

This report, which also constitutes a directors' report for company legislation purposes, has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, and has been prepared in accordance with Part 8 of the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the principal accounting policies set out on pages 19-21 and comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, applicable laws, 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 United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and FRS 102.

### Governance, structure and management

Waltham Forest Community Transport (WFCT) is a charitable company, limited by guarantee, Company No. 03073284 (England and Wales) and is registered with the Charity Commission, Charity No. 1048701. The charitable company was incorporated on June 22, 1995 and registered as a charity on August 16, 1995. The charitable company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £5.

The charity's senior employee has the title Director and Company Secretary but is not a member of the Management Committee and therefore not a company director or charity trustee.

### Recruitment and appointment of members of the Management Committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and are known as members of the Management Committee under the company's articles. The members of the Management Committee (MC) are elected to serve for a period of three years, after which they must be re-elected at the next Annual General Meeting.

The MC needs to reflect the diverse needs of our user groups and their members, our passengers. We actively seek to enhance the pool of potential committee members who are representative of all areas of the community. Where gaps are identified, we target specific areas for recruitment.

The MC reviews annually the existing skills of its members and seeks to gain outside support from advisors and volunteers on specific issues (e.g. marketing). Training is offered to all MC members (see below).

### Governance, structure and management (continued)

### Member induction and training

A member induction meeting is arranged for all new MC members immediately following the AGM. This is usually led by the Company Secretary and Director of the charity. The initial induction enables members to familiarise themselves with:

- the charitable company's governing documents
- the latest financial accounts
- the obligations of members
- procedures for meetings
- the charity's staffing framework

New members are encouraged to take up additional training opportunities throughout their term of office. Information regarding training opportunities is provided to members. An annual financial training session is provided to MC members.

The following members were in office at 31 March 2022 and served throughout the year except where shown:

Board member	Appointed / resigned
Dr Sabir Bham	
Mr Paul Leslie	
Mr Andrew Jazaerli	
Mr Richard Mundy (Treasurer)	
Mr David Williams	
Miss Lorna Wisdom	Deceased January 2022

### Key management personnel

Helen Tredoux - Director and Company Secretary

Alison Fowlerlouis - Fleet Supervisor

Remuneration for these personnel, and all staff, is set by comparison with similar voluntary organisations. Despite the economic climate, we have managed to provide all staff with pay increases at or above inflation. Community Transport Waltham Forest is one of the few transport organisations accredited as a London Living Wage employer. The Management Committee reviews salaries and hourly pay rates annually.

### Governance, structure and management (continued)

#### Risk Management

The Management Committee uses its annual business planning process to ensure that it is aware of the risks to which we are exposed. Where possible we have systems and procedures in place to mitigate the risks facing the charity. We maintain a Risk Register, which is reviewed by the Management Committee annually.

Examples of Risk Management include:

#### Human Resources

There is a risk of losing key staff, work overload and reduced capability to respond to our members' needs. We have appropriate back-up plans. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with standards for the employment and management of staff, as well as the health and safety of staff, clients and visitors. To help ensure our compliance we have contracted Croner Consultancy to advise and support on HR matters.

#### Premises

We operate from a busy transport site owned by the London Borough of Waltham Forest (LBWF). The need to avoid accidents by/with people or vehicles is paramount. WFCT has a staff member attending health and safety meetings affecting the charity's premises, storage and parking. The results of these meetings are reported to members.

#### Drivers and Training

Our business depends on providing safe journeys 100% of the time. Our drivers' competence and attitude are key elements. Our Fleet Supervisor undertakes annual risk assessments for the drivers we employ, and we receive professional support and advice through the national Community Transport Association (CTA). We have adopted the nationally recognised MiDAS system of driver training to ensure consistency in driver standards. This system is used by WFCT and for drivers from our member groups which use our vehicles on a self-drive basis. Staff have DBS checks where appropriate.

# Vehicles

We employ an external examiner to check all vehicles regularly. All recommended maintenance and repairs are carried out. We acquire newer minibuses by (a) purchasing when funds are available and (b) leasing. There is limited progress towards the availability of more environmentally friendly minibuses but we monitor the market and intend moving to hybrid and/or electric vehicles as soon as that becomes practicable.

#### Quality Standards

WFCT is accredited by the Fleet Operator Recognition Scheme (FORS) which aims to raise the level of quality within fleet operations and to demonstrate which operators are achieving exemplary levels of best practice in safety, efficiency, and environmental protection. We are audited annually by FORS.

# Governance, structure and management (continued)

### Organisational Structure

Members of WFCT are organisations and groups in Waltham Forest, Newham and Enfield, most of which are charities and voluntary bodies. WFCT has a management committee of elected representatives and non-voting advisors. The elected members of the Management Committee are the trustees of the charity and directors of the company and are responsible for setting our strategic direction, ensuring compliance with our governance and management of finances.

The Director is responsible to the Management Committee and is also Company Secretary. Operational responsibility is delegated to the Director. The work of the charity, including service provision, staff supervision and liaison with the national body, is undertaken by the Director, along with the Fleet Supervisor and key staff.

Members meet staff and receive verbal and appropriate written reports at regular meetings. All meetings are minuted.

### Related parties

WFCT is a member of the Community Transport Association (CTA), and we are guided by its national policies. WFCT actively uses the advice and information services of the CTA. Our Director represents us at the London CTA meetings. This is valuable in identifying relevant policy and legal developments and potential funding sources.

We also work with many other local organisations and local authorities.

#### Our aims and objectives

Our charity's purposes are set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association:

"To relieve poverty, youth, age, sickness or disability by the provision of transport to individuals in need of such relief or to charitable bodies established for the benefit of such individuals."

### How our activities deliver public benefit

The main area of WFCT's charitable activity is the provision of minibus and associated transport services to registered member groups. These are eligible groups who wish to use WFCT's services on an occasional basis or regularly to meet their group travel needs.

### Who used and benefited from our services

WFCT provides transport and training to local organisations. In 2021/22 we had 76 active member organisations spanning a wide range of voluntary, community and statutory organisations. The breakdown of membership at the end March 2022 showed 14.5% Adult and Social Care organisations, 7.9% Arts and Culture, 21.1% Elderly, 4% Faith, 12% Public Services, 6.6% Schools and Colleges, 4% Sports and 11.8% Youth Organisations.

### Who used and benefited from our services (continued)

### **Community Hires**

We offer a choice of minibuses from standard to accessible, enabling our members to select a vehicle best suited to the mobility needs of their members. Activity was constrained in the year, because of restrictions because of Covid lockdowns. During 2021/22, we achieved 6,580 community hires. The estimated figure for total passengers was 210,560 across all services, including shuttle services for events at the London Stadium.

### **Community Drivers**

WFCT provides drivers to those organisations unable to provide their own.

#### **Committed Services**

Committed services, where Members have ongoing committed bookings, include day services for voluntary sector organisations and Adult and Social Care services. These too were heavily restricted in 2020/21, because of Covid Restrictions. 3,751 trips were undertaken, with 24,907 passenger journeys.

### **Door to Store Service**

WFCT operates a grant funded Door to Store shopping service for elderly and disabled people in Waltham Forest. With appropriate precautions, we were able to continue this during the year, despite Covid. The service is funded by LBWF Adult and Social Care and forms an important part of enabling the elderly to retain their independence, by providing accessible transport to local supermarkets for shopping. The service runs 2.5 days a week offering 3 trips a day to various supermarkets, with specific days allocated to specific areas in Waltham Forest. Door to Store continued through much of the year and 1,653 trips took place with 1,889 passengers using the service for outward and return journeys.

# MOAT Services (Dial a Ride)

We continued providing a number of Dial a Ride routes.

### **Excursions Club**

WFCT operates a small excursions club programme offering seasonal outings to individuals at risk of suffering from isolation and loneliness. During 2021/22 and whilst Covid restrictions were in place for most of the year we ran 12 trips with 480 passengers on outings to places of interest.

### Who used and benefited from our services (continued)

### Waltham Forest Community Driving School

WFCT has been a local provider of MiDAS (minibus awareness training) for more than 10 years. The training register is managed nationally through CTA UK and is aimed at anyone driving a minibus. WFCT offers this service locally and has a register of more than 280 drivers. We have strengthened our training offer and the Community Driving School has increased the variety of training related to minibus travel and operations. Courses now include Standard and Accessible MiDAS, D1 Entitlement, Passenger Assistance Training and 5 Steps to Safety Training. The School was curtailed during lockdowns, reopening in September 2021. In 2021/22 we trained 149 individuals. The training schemes are monitored to ensure that WFCT continues to provide training to meet the needs of our members.

### **Monitoring**

We use customer satisfaction surveys to measure the quality of our service and use opportunities such as special consultations to ensure that we continue to review our services to best meet our member organisations' needs.

### **Newham Community Transport**

WFCT was awarded a Power to Change grant in 2018 towards a minibus for work in Newham and support for an Outreach worker for 18 months to develop small grass roots services in Newham. The Outreach worker started in 2019 and continues to develop services in Newham. Funding, including their Covid Emergency Income Support scheme, expired in March 2022.

### **Principal Funding Sources**

Before COVID, in 2019/20, 76% of income from charitable activities came from committed services for our members. 23% from community groups' occasional hires and 1% from our Community Driving School. These proportions have changed as services have begun resuming after the pandemic. This year committed services represented 87% of income, with 12% from occasional hires and 1% from the school.

In 2018/19 Walthamstow & Chingford Almshouses kindly donated £11,360 for driver training. That training was suspended because of Covid but resumed this year. £5,769 is carried forward to future years.

Souter Trust granted £1,000 in 2020/21 to support our Excursions Club, which was spent in the year.

A £14,430 grant was received in the year from LB Newham, for Activities Assistance, which was provided in the year.

We wish to thank all those who gave grants and donations. Their support increases significantly the numbers of people benefiting from our services.

### **ULEZ Fleet replacement programme**

Community Transport qualifies under the sunset period to 2023 for welfare vehicles. This year we replaced a further two vehicles with compliant vehicles. Most of our fleet now meets the Euro 6 standard. Three remaining vehicles need to be replaced by October 2023.

#### Covid-19

The year was still impacted by Covid-19. Under the HMRC Job Retention Scheme we received £12,144 towards the costs of furloughing staff at the start of the year.

### **Financial review**

#### Financial Results

The statement of financial activities discloses a surplus in net incoming resources of £151,701 (2021: £162,001). Reserves at 31 March 2022 were: restricted funds - £5,769, unrestricted general funds - £613,241 and designated funds - £195,000.

#### Reserves Policy

WFCT maintains a cautious reserves policy, with the goal of being able to remain in business, providing community services to our members, even when experiencing a significant reduction in income.

Restricted funds arise from income granted to Community Transport that can be used only for the purposes specified in the grant. Our Treasurer regularly monitors the costs allocated against grants and reviews progress against the budget for each grant.

Designated Reserve funds are used to maintain adequate security for known risks. At 31 March 2022 these totalled £195,000 for: Core Costs (3 months' core staff, running and other costs); Redundancy (to enable WFCT to reduce services or wind up because of unexpected losses of funding, to ourselves or our member groups); Working Capital (to manage cash) and Future Community Services, to be delivered after year-end. Excluding designated funds, general unrestricted reserves total £613,241 at 31 March 2022.

### Responsibilities of the members of the Management Committee

The members of the Management Committee (who are also trustees of Waltham Forest Community Transport for the purposes of charity law and directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Management Committee and the financial statements, in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Management Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the members are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

### Responsibilities of the members of the Management Committee (continued)

- observe the methods and principles in Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable for charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Management Committee is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with Companies Act 2006. The members are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Management Committee is aware:

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

The members are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislations in other jurisdictions.

	Date: 13.10.2022
Company Secretary	

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited (the 'charitable parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2022, which comprise the group statement of financial activities, the group and charitable parent company balance sheets, the group statement of cash flows, the principal accounting policies and the notes to the financial statements. 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 of the charitable parent company's affairs as at 31 March 2022 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **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 group 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 trustees' 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 charitable company'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 trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### Independent auditor's report 31 March 2022

#### Other information

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

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the trustees' report, which is also the directors' report for the purposes of company law, the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the trustees' report which is also the directors' report for the purposes of company law, has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the charitable parent company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' 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; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies' regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

### Responsibilities of trustees

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

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and the charitable parent company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the group or the charitable parent 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.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the group and the charitable parent company and determined that the most significant frameworks which are directly relevant to specific assertions in the financial statements are those that relate to the reporting framework (Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006), those that relate to employment and data protection (General Data Protection Regulation), bus safety legislation and the Transport Act 1985.
- We understood how the group and charitable parent company are complying with those legal and regulatory frameworks by making enquiries of management and those responsible for legal and compliance procedures. We corroborated our enquiries through our review of the minutes of trustees' meetings.

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### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)

 Identified laws and regulations were also communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the group and charitable parent company's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur. bv:

- making enquiries of management as to their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud: and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates were indicative of potential bias;
- tested authorisation controls on expenditure items, to check that all expenditure was approved in line with the group and charitable parent company's financial procedures;
- agreed financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- read the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- enquired of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

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

# Independent auditor's report 31 March 2022

### Use of our report

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

Edward Finch (Senior Statutory Auditor) For and on behalf of Buzzacott LLP, Statutory Auditor 130 Wood Street London EC2V 6DL

# Consolidated statement of financial activities (including the Income and Expenditure Account) Year to 31 March 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted general funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income and expenditure						
Income from:						
Grants and donations	3	29,797	_	14,430	44,227	309,529
Investments		28	_	_	28	388
Charitable activities	4	1,236,799		_	1,236,799	756,165
Disposal of fixed assets				<u> </u>		11,177
Total income		1,266,624		14,430	1,281,054	1,077,259
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities		1,086,418	13,550	29,385	1,129,353	915,258
Total expenditure	5	1,086,418	13,550	29,385	1,129,353	915,258
Net income		180,206	(13,550)	(14,955)	151,701	162,001
Transfers	12	(16,950)	16,950	_	_	_
Net movement in funds	13	163,256	3,400	(14,955)	151,701	162,001
						_
Funds brought forward 1 April 2021	10	449,985	191,600	20,724	662,309	500,308
Funds carried forward at 31 March 2	022	613,241	195,000	5,769	814,010	662,309

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year, and therefore a separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts are related to continuing activities.

# Consolidated balance sheet 31 March 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		255,601		246,769
Current assets					
Debtors and pre-payments	8	243,857		128,204	
Cash at bank and in hand		370,125	_	325,829	
		613,982		454,033	
Current liabilities					
Creditors and accrued expenses	9 _	(55,573)	-	(38,493)	
Net current assets			558,409		415,540
Total net assets			814,010	-	662,309
The funds of the charity:					
Funds and reserves					
Unrestricted					
. General			613,241		449,985
. Designated	11		195,000		191,600
Restricted funds	10	_	5,769	_	20,724
		-	814,010	_	662,309

These financial statements were approved by the members of the Management Committee and signed on its behalf by:

 Date: 13.10.2022

Company registration number: 03073284

The notes on pages 22 to 29 form part of these accounts.

# Charity balance sheet 31 March 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		255,601		246,769
Current assets					
Debtors and pre-payments	8	243,857		128,204	
Loan to East CT CIC	15	55,250		55,250	
Cash at bank and in hand		314,357		269,941	
	·-	613,464		453,395	
Current liabilities					
Creditors and accrued expenses	9 _	(55,573)		(37,739)	
Net current assets			557,891		415,656
Total net assets		-	813,492	- -	662,425
The funds of the charity:					
Funds and reserves					
Unrestricted					
. General			612,723		450,101
. Designated	10		195,000		191,600
Restricted funds	11	. <u>-</u>	5,769	. <u>-</u>	20,724
		-	813,492	_	662,425

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Date: 13.10.2022

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# Consolidated statement of cash flows year to 31 March 2022

В

Total cash and cash equivalents

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash provided by operating activities	Α_	93,976	170,984
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Proceeds from the disposal of tangible fixed assets		27,500	11,177
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(77,180)	(124,265)
Net cash used in investing activities	_	(49,680)	(113,088)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		44,296	57,896
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2021	В	325,829	267,933
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2022	В _	370,125	325,829

Notes to the statement of cash flows for the year to 31 March 2022.

### Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash provided by operating activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Net movement in funds (as per the statement of financial activities)	151,701	162,001
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charge	39,598	31,964
Loss (surplus) on disposal of tangible fixed assets	1,250	(11,177)
(Increase) decrease in debtors	(115,653)	58,702
Increase (decrease) in creditors	17,080	(70,506)
Net cash provided by operating activities	93,976	170,984
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
<b>,</b>	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	370,125	325,829

No separate reconciliation of net debt has been prepared as there is no difference between the net cash (debt) of the charity and the above cash and cash equivalents.

370,125

325,829

# Principal accounting policies 31 March 2022

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the accounts are laid out below.

# **Basis of preparation**

These financial statements have been prepared for the year to 31 March 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policies below or the notes to these financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP FRS 102) second edition issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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

The financial statements are presented in sterling and are rounded to the nearest pound.

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated statement of financial activities and group balance sheet consolidate the financial statements of Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited and its subsidiaries, made up at the balance sheet date as Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited either owns the entire share capital of the subsidiary or assumes control of the entity.

#### Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

Preparation of the financial statements requires the members of the management committee to make significant judgements and estimates.

The items in the financial statements where these judgements and estimates have been made include:

- estimating the useful economic life of tangible fixed assets; and
- apportionment of expenditure across each activity.

As set out in these accounting policies under "going concern", the trustees have considered the impact of the Covid pandemic on the charity and have concluded that although there may be some further negative consequences, it is appropriate for the charity to continue to prepare its accounts on the going concern basis.

# Assessment of going concern

The members of the management committee have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these financial statements. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of approval of these financial statements.

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### Assessment of going concern (continued)

The members of the management committee of the charity have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet its liabilities as they fall due. The most significant areas of judgement that affect items in the accounts are detailed above.

### Fund accounting

Unrestricted general funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the members for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

### Income recognition

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the charitable company is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Grant income, which is related to performance and specific deliverables, is accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charitable company where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.
- Investment income is included when received.
- Income from charitable activities is accounted for when earned.

### **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charitable company.

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### **Operating lease agreements**

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

### Tangible fixed assets

Capital expenditure on items costing £500 or over is depreciated at rates designed to write off the costs over the estimated useful lives of the assets, calculated on the straight-line method, less any residual value. First-year depreciation on assets costing more than £5,000 is calculated pro rata in the year in which they were purchased. Improvements to premises will be written off, on the straight-line method, over the life of the lease during which the expenditure is incurred.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates on a straight-line basis in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

 Office equipment 25% on cost

Vehicles 10-20% on cost

### **Debtors**

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount, less any provision for non-recoverability. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash receipt where such discounting is material.

#### Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand represents such accounts and instruments that are available on demand or have a maturity of less than three months from the date of acquisition.

### **Creditors and provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are recognised at the amount the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash payment where such discounting is material.

### Parent charity information

The parent charity, Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited, had total income of £1,281,054 (2021 - £1,076,993) and net income of £150,336 for the year ended 31 March 2022 (2021 - £161,850). The parent company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a separate income statement and statement of cash flows.

No separate statement of financial activities has been presented for Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited alone, as permitted by s408 of the Companies Act 2006 and paragraph 24.36 of SORP 2015.

# 1 Company limited by guarantee

Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited is a company limited by guarantee, and accordingly does not have a share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute such amounts as may be required, not exceeding £5, to the assets of the charitable company in the event of it being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member.

### 2 Taxation

Waltham Forest Community Transport is a registered charity and therefore is not liable to income tax or corporation tax on income derived from its charitable activities, as it falls within the various exemptions available to registered charities.

### **Grants and donations**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 £
Department for Transport, Bus Service Operators	17,203	_	17,203
HMRC (Job Retention)	12,144	_	12,144
DWP Business Grant	300	_	300
LB Newham (Activities Assistance)	_	14,430	14,430
Donations	150	_	150
2022 Total funds	29,797	14,430	44,227

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds £	2021 £
Department for Transport, Bus Service Operators	13,203	_	13,203
Big Lottery (Social Enterprise Support Fund)	_	48,500	48,500
Souter	_	1,000	1,000
Power to Change (Business Development Support)	_	8,000	8,000
Power to Change (Emergency Income Support)	_	30,000	30,000
Power to Change (Recovery Fund)	_	75,000	75,000
HMRC (Job Retention)	133,766	_	133,766
Donations	60	_	60
2021 Total funds	147,029	162,500	309,529

Grant providers have reservation of title to those assets acquired with their capital grants, in the event of the company ceasing to exist.

# 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 £
Committed bookings fees and fares	1,081,827	_	1,081,827
Membership fees (net of VAT)	657	_	657
Community vehicle use	143,115	_	143,115
Training to third parties	11,200	_	11,,200
2022 Total funds	1,236,799	<u> </u>	1,236,799

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 £
Committed bookings fees and fares	723,055	_	723,055
Membership fees (net of VAT)	100	_	100
Community vehicle use	29,605	_	29,605
Training to third parties	3,405	_	3,405
2021 Total funds	756,165	_	756,165

# 5 Total resources expended

•	C	Charitable activities				
	Committed Bookings £	Casual Bookings £	Driving School £	East CT	Gover- nance £	Total funds 2022 £
Costs directly allocated to activities:						
. Staff	134,010	17,729	1,387	25,250	_	178,376
. Vehicles	348,598	46,118	3,609	_	_	398,325
. Audit fee	_	_	_	_	15,000	15,000
. Statutory	_	_	_	_	773	773
. Medical	372	49	4		_	425
. Marketing	2,253	298	23	1,000	_	3,574
. Consultancy	5,948	787	62	4,000	_	10,797
. Driving School	_	_	5,518	_	_	5,518
Support cost allocated to activities						
. Staff	391,449	51,787	4,052	_	_	447,288
. Premises	5,748	760	60	5,000	_	11,568
. Office running costs	32,104	4,247	332	_	_	36,683
. Other support costs	18,322	2,508	196	_	_	21,026
Total funds	938,804	124,283	15,243	35,250	15,773	1,129,353

# 5 Total resources expended (continued)

	Charitable activities						
	Committed Bookings £	Casual Bookings £	Driving School £	East CT £	Gover- nance £	Total funds 2021 £	
Costs directly allocated to activities							
. Staff	192,124	8,257	1,007	_	_	201,388	
. Vehicles	248,300	10,671	1,301	_	_	260,272	
. Audit fee	_	_	_	_	5,350	5,350	
. Statutory	_	_	_	_	168	168	
. Medical	_	_	_	_	_	_	
. Marketing	_	_	_	_	_	_	
. Consultancy	11,329	<i>4</i> 87	59	12,000	_	23,875	
. Driving School	_	_	3,481	_	_	3,481	
Support cost allocated to activities							
. Staff	341,886	14,693	1,792	_	_	358,371	
. Premises	11,925	513	63	_	_	12,501	
. Office running costs	26,211	1,126	137	800	3,654	31,928	
. Contracted out	_	_	_	_	_	_	
. Other support costs	17,099	735	90			17,924	
Total funds	848,874	36,482	7,930	12,800	9,172	915,258	

Costs are apportioned across charitable activities based on the proportion of income received for that activity during the year.

Comparative information for expenditure, by fund, is as follows:

Expenditure	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds 2021 £
Charitable activities	705,513	209,745	_	915,258
Total expenditure	705,513	209,745		915,258

### 6 Staff costs and emoluments

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	574,502	509,480
Social security costs	41,131	34,201
	615,633	543,681
Other staff costs	10,031	16,077
	625,664	559,758

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 in the year (2021: Nil).

# 6 Staff costs and emoluments (continued)

	2022 No.	2021 No.
Average number of employees (FTE)	25	21
	2022 No.	2021 No.
Average number of employees (headcount basis)	36	35

The aggregate remuneration of key management personnel (Director and Fleet Supervisor) totalled £102,368 (2021 - £91,295).

Member remuneration and related party transactions: none (2021: none). No members received any remuneration during the year (2021: none). Expenses amounting to £nil (2021: £nil) were reimbursed to, or paid on behalf of, members of the Management Committee.

# 7 Tangible assets

Group and charity	Vehicles £
Cost	
At 1 April 2021	404,805
Additions	77,180
Disposals	(35,000)
At 31 March 2022	446,985
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2021	158,036
Disposals	(6,250)
Annual charge	39,598
At 31 March 2022	191,384
Net book value	
At 31 March 2022	255,601
At 31 March 2021	246,769

# 8 Debtors

	Group		Charity	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	148,394	27,068	148,394	27,068
Other debtors		25,500		25,500
Accrued Income	44,251	42,597	44,251	42,597
Prepayments	27,054	19,938	27,054	19,938
VAT recoverable	24,158	13,101	24,158	13,101
	243,857	128,204	243,857	128,204

# 9 Creditors and accrued expenses, amount falling due within one year

-	Group		Charity	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	19,327	17,015	19,327	17,015
Accruals	19,195	5,000	19,195	4,905
Other creditors	317	659	317	_
Social Security and other taxes	16,734	10,307	16,734	10,307
Pensions	_	5,197	_	5,197
Payroll creditor	_	315	_	315
	55,573	38,493	55,573	37,739

### 10 Restricted funds

Group and charity	As at 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	As at 31 March 2022 £
Walthamstow and Chingford Almshouses	8,649	_	(2,880)	5,769
Peoples Postcode Lottery	8,155	_	(8,155)	_
Community Links	2,920	_	(2,920)	_
LB Newham (Activities Assistance)	_	14,430	(14,430)	_
Souter	1,000	_	(1,000)	_
	20,724	14,430	(29,385)	5,769

Group and charity	As at 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	As at 31 March 2021 £
Walthamstow and Chingford Almshouses	8,649	_	_	8,649
Peoples Postcode Lottery	10,400	_	(2,245)	8,155
Community Links	2,920	_	_	2,920
LB Waltham Forest	46,000	_	(46,000)	_
Power to Change (Business Development)	_	8,000	(8,000)	_
Power to Change (Emergency Income)	_	30,000	(30,000)	_
Power to Change (Recovery)	_	75,000	(75,000)	_
Souter	_	1,000	_	1,000
Big Lottery	_	48,500	(48,500)	
	67,969	162,500	(209,745)	20,724

# Purposes of restricted income funds:

- Walthamstow and Chingford Almshouses are for driver training.
- Peoples Postcode Lottery and Community Links are for Newham Door to Store services.
- Souter Charity granted monies towards Excursions.
- LB Newham Activities grant is for Sunday lunch club for older people.

# 11 Designated funds

l Transfers	As at 31 March 2022 £
) —	60,000
_	25,000
) —	60,000
3,400	50,000
3,400	195,000
Transfers	As at 31 March 2021 £
_	60,000
_	25,000
_	60,000
46,600	46,600
46,600	191,600
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# Purposes of designated funds:

- Core costs are to cover 3 months' costs for permanent staff and office and running expenses etc.
- The redundancy fund is to cover the cost of reducing services or winding up and is based on statutory redundancy levels.
- Working capital is to provide cash, allowing for delays awaiting payments against our invoices.
- Future Community Services relates to community work to be delivered after 31st March 2022.

### 12 Net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £
Fixed assets	255,601	_	_	255,601
Current assets	413,213	195,000	5,769	613,982
Current liabilities	(55,573)			(55,573)
	613,241	195,000	5,769	814,010

### 12 Net assets between funds (continued)

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £
Fixed assets	246,769	_	_	246,769
Current assets	241,709	191,600	20,724	454,033
Current liabilities	(38,493)	_	_	(38,493)
	449,985	191,600	20,724	662,309

#### 13 Net movement in funds

This is stated after charging:

	2022 £	2021 £
Depreciation	39,598	31,964
Auditor's remuneration	15,000	5,350
Operating lease charges (Plant and machinery)	119,732	99,431
(Loss) surplus on disposal of vehicles	(1,250)	11,177

# 14 Operating lease commitments

At 31 March 2022, the total minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases were:

Operating lease commitments:	2022 £	2021 £
Within one year	78,846	94,635
Between one to five years	40,110	118,956
Total	118,956	213,591

# 15 Related parties

East CT Community Interest Company ('East CT') is a wholly-owned subsidiary of WFCT, set up to undertake commercial trading. It has not yet traded. Helen Tredoux (WFCT Company Secretary) and Richard Mundy (WFCT Treasurer) are directors of East CT. WFCT has loaned £55,250 to East CT for start-up costs and working capital. The loan is repayable on demand. East CT has been set up to provide transport services in East London with an emphasis on accessible and affordable transport for the widest range of local individuals, groups and organisations. As such the granting of the loan is considered to be within the charitable objects of WFCT. Furthermore, the sole beneficiary of East CT CIC is WFCT.

Owing to the nature of the WFCT operations and the composition of the members of the Management Committee, being drawn from local organisations, it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a member may have an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the charity's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures.

# 16 Subsidiary company

At the year end, Waltham Forest Community Transport Limited controls the following subsidiary entity, which is consolidated in these financial statements:

Name	Status	Registration number
East CT C.I.C.	Company limited by shares (England & Wales)	Company 08615580

The assets and liabilities of the subsidiary were:

	2022 £	2021 £
Current assets	55,769	55,888
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(55,669)	(55,788)
Net assets	100	100

# 15 Comparative information

N	lotes	Unrestricted general funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2021 £
Income and expenditure					
Income from:					
Grants and donations	3	147,029	_	162,500	309,529
Investments		388	_		388
Charitable activities	4	756,165	_		756,165
Disposal of fixed assets		11,177			11,177
Total income		914,759		162,500	1,077,259
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities		705,513	_	209,745	915,258
Total expenditure	5	705,513		209,745	915,258
Net income		209,246	_	(47,245)	162,001
Transfers 1	12	(46,600)	46,600	_	· —
Net movement in funds 1	13	162,646	46,600	(47,245)	162,001
Funds brought forward 1 April 2020 1	10	287,339	145,000	67,969	500,308
Funds carried forward at 31 March 2021		449,985	191,600	20,724	662,309