

**ETHICAL GIVING LIMITED**

**Accounts – 30th September 2016**

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*(A company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)*

Charity number: 1131343  
Company number: 6956432

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the year ended 30th September 2016**

The directors are pleased to present their annual report and financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 30th September 2016 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a trustees' report and accounts for Charities Acts purposes.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16th July 2014.

**Reference and Administration Details**

The charity's name is Ethical Giving Limited.

Charity Registration Number: 1131343

Company Number: 6956432

Registered Office: Third Floor, Formal House, 60 St George's Place, Cheltenham GL50 3PN

Company Secretary: Mrs S Coates

**Directors and Trustees**

The Directors of the charitable company are its Trustees for the purposes of charity law. The directors and officers who served during the year and since the year end were as follows:

L V Coates  
M Head  
Mrs S Coates

**Objectives and Activities**

The main objects of the charity are: the provision of such grants, donations and loans for individuals or such charitable associations and other bodies and organisations for application towards charitable purposes as the directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit.

The charity applies its income to make grants to individuals or organisations for ethical, social, environmental, animal welfare and other charitable causes.

In planning the activities of the charitable company the directors have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The income of the charity is applied to various charitable purposes and the directors in their absolute discretion think fit and can encompass a range of purposes for the public benefit.

**Achievements and Performance**

Donations from Ethical Investors reduced significantly, in line with the company's change in earnings pattern post RDR. This meant the directors were not required to consider who donations should be made to.

During the year there was a significant increase in individual donations where these individuals were making use of the efficient distribution system offered by Ethical Giving and the ability to reclaim a single Gift Aid sum.

Looking ahead, it is anticipated that donations from Ethical Investors will begin to rise, thus necessitating the trustees having to make distribution decisions in line with expression of wishes from Ethical Investors and within the charity's rules.

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS**  
**for the year ended 30th September 2016 (Continued)**

**Achievements and Performance (Continued)**

More work will be done in terms of marketing Ethical Giving to individuals to use the charity as a conduit for larger, targeting personal donations, making use of the Gift Aid reclaim and Ethical giving's broad distribution remit.

**Financial Review**

The total income for the year was £104,401 and total expenditure on charitable activities amounted to £113,078.

**Reserves Policy**

The directors' policy is to use any fees generated to improve system and further promote the activities of the charity. As Ethical Giving is a simple grant making charity where distributed funds come from corporate or individual donations, it is not anticipated that any significant reserves will be built up or needed. The majority of operational costs are met by Ethical Investors and as such the directors do not envisage future liabilities necessitating some form of reserve.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Governing Document**

Ethical Giving is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 8th July 2009 as amended 28th July 2009. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission. Members of the charitable company guarantee to contribute amounts not exceeding £10 to the assets of the charitable company in the event of winding up.

**Appointment of Directors**

The directors keep the composition of the board under review and will seek to appoint additional members with appropriate skills and expertise should the need arise. Interested parties are given details of the background of the charitable company in order to make them aware of current activities. New directors will be selected from people with an interest in the charity.

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

Approved by the directors on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 and signed on its behalf by:

L V Coates - Director/Trustee

Cheltenham

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES**

I report on the accounts of the Ethical Giving Limited charitable company for the year ended 30th September 2016, which are set out on pages 4 to 10.

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

MDA Gyde FCA DChA  
A J Carter & Co  
Chartered Accountants

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Witney  
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12<sup>th</sup> January 2017

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## Statement of Financial Activities (including an income and expenditure account) for the year ended 30th September 2016

	Note	Total Unrestricted Funds 2016 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2015 £
<b>Income from:</b>			
Donations and legacies	3	104,394	82,275
Investments	4	7	2
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>104,401</u>	<u>82,277</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Charitable activities	5	<u>113,078</u>	<u>59,833</u>
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>113,078</u>	<u>59,833</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year</b>		(8,677)	22,444
Net gains on investment assets	10	<u>495</u>	<u>147</u>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		(8,182)	22,591
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>			
Total funds brought forward		<u>27,760</u>	<u>5,169</u>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u><u>£19,578</u></u>	<u><u>£27,760</u></u>

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

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements

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**BALANCE SHEET  
as at 30th September 2016**

	Note	<b>2016</b> £	<b>2015</b> £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Investments	10	8,642	8,147
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<u>8,642</u>	<u>8,147</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	11	-	-
Investments	12	9,172	15,373
Cash at bank and in hand		2,112	4,576
<b>Total current assets</b>		<u>11,284</u>	<u>19,949</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Creditors falling due within one year	13	348	336
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>10,936</u>	<u>19,613</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>19,578</u>	<u>27,760</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u><u>£19,578</u></u>	<u><u>£27,760</u></u>
<b>The funds of the Charity</b>			
Unrestricted income funds	14	19,578	27,760
Total unrestricted funds		<u>19,578</u>	<u>27,760</u>
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<u><u>£19,578</u></u>	<u><u>£27,760</u></u>

For the year ended 30th September 2016 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

**Directors Responsibilities**

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and

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

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with provisions applicable to companies subject to the to the small companies regime and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

These accounts were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on: 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 and are signed on their behalf by:

L V Coates - Director

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS  
for the year ended 30th September 2016

1. **Accounting Policies**

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a) **Basis of Preparation**

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 for Smaller Entities published on 16th July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (FRSSE), and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1st January 2015.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

b) **Income Recognition Policies**

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity has entitlement to the funds;
- any performance conditions attached to the items of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
- there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable; and
- the amount can be measured reliably.

Income received in advance of a specific performance or provision of other specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

c) **Donated Services and Facilities**

Donated services or facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with a donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the Charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. On receipt, donated services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity which is the amount the charity 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.

d) **Interest Receivable**

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

e) **Fund Accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the Charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the Charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for the particular areas of the Charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the Charity.



NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS  
for the year ended 30th September 2016 (continued)

f) **Expenditure 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:

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the cost of making grants to individuals and organisations for charitable purposes.

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

g) **Debtors**

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

h) **Cash at Bank and in Hand**

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash 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.

i) **Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charity 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.

j) **Investments**

Investments are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their market value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

2. **Legal Status of the Charity**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to £10.

3. **Income from donations**

	2016	2015
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	£	£
Gifts and donations	104,394	82,275
	<u>£104,394</u>	<u>£82,275</u>

4. **Investment income**

All of the Charity investment income arises from money held on deposit at Lloyds bank.

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 30th September 2016 (continued)

### 5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Grant making	2016 Unrestricted Total	2015 Unrestricted Total
	£	£	£
Grants and donations	112,605	112,605	59,384
Bank charges	125	125	113
Accountancy	348	348	336
<b>Total</b>	<b>£113,078</b>	<b>£113,078</b>	<b>£59,833</b>

### 6. Analysis of grants

	Grants to individuals Total £	Grants to institutions Total £
Grants in respect of Human and Environmental welfare	<u>18,050</u>	<u>94,555</u>

#### Recipients of institutional grants

Grants to Institutions over £8,000 in the year were as follows

	£
Tinder box	10,500
Citadel Arts Group	8,000
Herocia Theatre	10,300
Waterloo Community Counselling	30,937

### 7. Net income/(expenditure) for the year

	2016 £	2015 £
<i>This is stated after charging:</i>		
Accountancy and independent examiners fees	<u>348</u>	<u>336</u>

### 8. Analysis of staff costs and trustee remuneration and expenses

	2016 £	2015 £
Salaries and wages	<u>£-</u>	<u>£-</u>

The charity trustees were not paid or received any other benefits from employment with the charity in the year (2015: £Nil) neither were they reimbursed expenses during the year (2015: £Nil). No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity (2015: £Nil).

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for the year ended 30th September 2016 (continued)

9. **Corporation tax**

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

10. **Investments**

**Movement in fixed asset investments**

	2016 £	2015 £
UK listed equity investments		
Market value brought forward at 1st October 2015	8,147	-
Additions to investment at donated value	-	8,000
Add net gain on revaluation	495	147
Market value as at 30th September 2016.	<u>8,642</u>	<u>8,147</u>

The investments are carried at their market value the bid price. Investments in equities are all traded in quoted public markets, primarily the London stock exchange

11. **Debtors**

	2016 £	2015 £
Other debtors	-	-
	<u>£-</u>	<u>£-</u>

12. **Current asset investments**

	2016 £	2015 £
Cash on deposit	9,172	15,373
	<u>£9,172</u>	<u>£15,373</u>

13. **Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	2016 £	2015 £
Accruals	348	336
	<u>£348</u>	<u>£336</u>

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for the year ended 30th September 2016 (continued)

14. Analysis of charitable funds

**Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds**

	Balance 01.10.2015 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Funds 30.09.2016 £
General fund	27,760	104,401	(113,078)	495	19,578
<b>Total</b>	<b>£27,760</b>	<b>£104,401</b>	<b>£(113,078)</b>	<b>£495</b>	<b>£19,578</b>

**Name of unrestricted fund**

**Description, nature and purposes of the fund**

General fund

The 'free reserves' after allowing for all designated funds.