

Charity number: 1138402  
Company number: 07341898

**Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited**  
**(A company limited by guarantee)**

**Trustees' report and financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 March 2017**

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**Legal and administrative information**

<b>Charity number</b>	1138402	
<b>Company registration number</b>	07341898	
<b>Business address</b>	196 - 198 Edward Road Birmingham B12 9LX	
<b>Registered office</b>	196 -198 Edward Road Birmingham B12 9LX	
<b>Trustees</b>	D.C. Bennett S.A. Brown Rt Hon. C Short A.S Randall Dr S. Guru Rev.N.W. Johnson R. Sondhi CBE	<b>Treasurer</b> <b>Chair</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	P.Davis	
<b>Accountants</b>	Vogue Management Sevices Limited Unit 20 Strawberry Lane Ind Estate Willenhall West Midlands WV13 3RS	
<b>Bankers</b>	Unity Trust Bank Nine Brindleyplace Birmingham B1 2HB	

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Report of the trustees (incorporating the directors' report)  
for the year ended 31 March 2020

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020. The trustees are also the directors of Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited for the purposes of sections 22 and 22A of the Companies Act 2006 and up to the date of this report are set out on page 10.

#### Structure, governance and management

##### STRUCTURE

Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited is a registered company limited by guarantee with number 115 6798 on 15 August 2010 and obtained charitable status under section 1(2)(c) of the Charities Act 2006. It is governed by a Constitution & Rules of Association dated 10th August 2010.

##### GOVERNANCE

The Charity believes that it is important to have the requisite range of skills and experience represented on the Board of Trustees and it is reflected in the current membership.

##### MANAGEMENT

The Board meet on a quarterly basis. The Company Secretary attends but is not a Board member.

#### Objectives and activities

The full name of the Charity is Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited. The Charity has the following main projects:

##### HOPE DESTITUTION FUND

The fund was established to assist destitute asylum seekers with grants.

##### HOPE HOUSING

To provide short-term emergency accommodation for destitute and homeless asylum seekers.

##### HOPE FUND FOR CHILDREN

To provide one-off grants to mothers and children barred from recourse to public funds. The funding for this fund has now ceased.

##### HOPE LEGAL ADVICE

Legal advice and representation for those resident in Hope Housing.

##### HOPE PEER SUPPORT

A regular support group for destitute women, and the Migrants Union, empowering asylum seekers challenging flawed asylum refusals.

##### VOLUNTEERS

The charity is assisted by a number of unpaid volunteers.

#### Achievements and performance

The Trustees are of the opinion that a great deal of public benefit has been achieved as a result of the services provided by the Charity.

#### Financial review

The financial statements, including the notes, have been prepared in compliance with the Statement of Recognised Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities". The analysis of income and costs reflects the classification of activities, together with costs of administration.

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**Report of the trustees (incorporating the directors' report)**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2017**

**Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also directors of Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited for the purpose of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of 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 trustees 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; 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 trustees are 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 the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Small company provisions**

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

On behalf of the board



P. Davis  
Secretary

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees on the unaudited financial statements of Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited.**

I report on the accounts of Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited for the year ended 31 March 2017 set out on pages 2 to 13.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for 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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act), as amended by section 28 of the Charities Act 2006 and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 43(3)(a) of the Act, as amended; to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended; and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

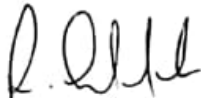
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or 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.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, 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

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



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R.G.K.Griffith  
FCA

**Independent examiner**  
Units 8 -10 Strawberry Lane Industrial Estate  
Willenhall  
West Midlands

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**Statement of financial activities**

**For the year ended 31 March 2017**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
<b>Incoming resources</b>					
Incoming resources from generating funds:					
Voluntary income	2	65,725	81,193	146,918	217,710
Investment income	3	54	-	54	162
Incoming resources from charitable activities		14,166	-	14,166	20,423
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>79,945</b>	<b>81,193</b>	<b>161,138</b>	<b>238,295</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>					
Staff costs	4	22,149	42,993	65,142	52,102
Housing costs for beneficiaries		39,513	-	39,513	48,531
Motor and travelling expenses		410	-	410	5,056
Accountancy fees		840	-	840	780
Legal and professional fees		-	1,930	1,930	793
Communications and IT		2,224	-	2,224	1,621
Interest payable and similar charges		156	-	156	-
Costs of charitable activities		-	5,746	5,746	16,853
Costs charitable activities: Barrow Cadbury Trust		-	-	-	15,000
Migrants Union		-	968	968	640
Grants to beneficiaries		-	60,870	60,870	82,192
Sundry expenses		18	-	18	1,963
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>65,310</b>	<b>112,507</b>	<b>177,817</b>	<b>225,531</b>
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>					
		14,635	(31,314)	(16,679)	12,764
<b>Transfers between funds</b>					
		(9,500)	9,500	-	-
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>					
		1,971	22,142	24,113	11,347
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>7,106</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>7,434</b>	<b>24,113</b>

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 relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**Income and expenditure account**

**For the year ended 31 March 2017**

	Notes	2017 £	2016 £
Income		161,084	238,133
Operating expenditure		<u>(177,661)</u>	<u>(225,532)</u>
Operating (deficit)/surplus		(16,577)	12,601
<b>Other income</b>			
Interest receivable and similar income		54	162
		<u>54</u>	<u>162</u>
Interest payable and similar charges		<u>(156)</u>	-
<b>Retained (deficit)/surplus for the financial year</b>		<u>(16,679)</u>	<u>12,763</u>

All activities derive from continuing operations.

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**Balance sheet**  
**as at 31 March 2017**

	Notes	2017		2016	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		74,081		85,188	
		<u>74,081</u>		<u>85,188</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	(66,647)		(61,075)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>7,434</u>		<u>24,113</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>7,434</u>		<u>24,113</u>
<b>Funds</b>					
	8				
Restricted income funds			328		22,142
Unrestricted income funds			<u>7,106</u>		<u>1,971</u>
<b>Total funds</b>			<u>7,434</u>		<u>24,113</u>

The Balance Sheet continues on the following page.

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**Balance sheet (continued)**

**Trustees statements required by the Companies Act 2006**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2017**

In approving these financial statements as trustees of the company we hereby confirm:

(a) that for the year stated above the company was entitled to the exemption conferred by section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ;

(b) that no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 requesting that an audit be conducted for the year ended 31 March 2017

(c) that we acknowledge our responsibilities for:

(1) ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and

(2) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395, and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies .

The financial statements were approved by the board on 8 September 2017 and signed on its behalf by



**D.C. Bennett**  
**Director**

**Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited**  
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**Notes to financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2017**

**1. Accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

**1.1. Basis of accounting**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Companies Act 2006.

**1.2. Cashflow**

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement because it is a small charity.

**1.3. Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity 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 in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Gifts donated for resale are included as incoming resources within activities for generating funds when they are sold.

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

**1.4. Resources expended**

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.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes including the charity's shop.

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

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management.

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**1.5. Defined contribution pension schemes**

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contribution payable by the charity during the year.

**2. Voluntary income**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
Grants received:Destitution fund	-	50,000	50,000	68,494
Grants received:Hope Housing	62,308	-	62,308	62,426
Grants received:Hope Fund for Children	-	-	-	3,000
Grants received:Comic Relief	-	8,876	8,876	43,150
Grants received:Barrow Cadbury Trust	-	12,000	12,000	15,000
Grants received:Lloyds Foundation	-	10,117	10,117	25,000
Grants received:Sundry BCT	-	200	200	640
Rental income	3,417	-	3,417	-
	<u>65,725</u>	<u>81,193</u>	<u>146,918</u>	<u>217,710</u>

**3. Investment income**

	Unrestricted funds £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
Bank interest received	54	54	162
	<u>54</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>162</u>

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**4. Employees**

<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Wages and salaries	62,700	51,472
Social security costs	2,084	630
Pension costs	358	-
	<u>65,142</u>	<u>52,102</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2016 : None).

**Number of employees**

The average monthly number of employees (excluding the trustees) during the year, calculated on the basis of full time equivalents, was as follows:

<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Number</b>	<b>Number</b>
<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

**5. Pension costs**

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The scheme and its assets are held by independent managers. The pension charge represents contributions due from the company and was as follows:

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Pension charge	<u>358</u>	<u>-</u>

**6. Taxation**

The charity's activities fall within the exemptions afforded by the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. Accordingly, there is no taxation charge in these accounts.

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

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other taxes and social security	1,292	1,109
Other creditors	92	-
Accruals and deferred income	65,263	59,966
	<u>66,647</u>	<u>61,075</u>

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**8. Analysis of net assets between funds**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Fund balances at 31 March 2017 as represented by:			
Current assets	7,109	328	7,437
	<u>7,109</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>7,437</u>

**9. Unrestricted funds**

	At 01 April 2016 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2017 £
HOPE PROJECTS	<u>1,971</u>	<u>79,945</u>	<u>(65,307)</u>	<u>(9,500)</u>	<u>7,109</u>

**Purposes of unrestricted funds**

The purpose of the fund is to provide, (i) short-term emergency accommodation for asylum seekers without basic food and shelter, and (ii) to provide one-off grants to new-migrant pregnant women and new mothers barred from recourse to public funds.

**10. Restricted funds**

	At 01 April 2016 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2017 £
HOPE DESTITUTION FUND	<u>22,142</u>	<u>81,193</u>	<u>(112,507)</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>328</u>

**Purposes of restricted funds**

The purpose of the fund is to assist asylum seekers in and around Birmingham without basic food and shelter.

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**11. Company limited by guarantee**

Hope Projects (West Midlands) Limited is a company limited by guarantee and accordingly does not have a share capital

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute such amount as may be required not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charitable company in the event of its being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member

**Barrow Cadbury Trust**

Contributions were received from the Barrow Cadbury Trust that were spent as follows.

Payroll costs £6,000

Project costs £6,000

Migrant Unison £700

**Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities**

This income includes individual donations of £10,837 (2016 £3,252).