

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1167457

Report of the Trustees and  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2018  
for  
SSG Sustainable Living CIC

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## SSG Sustainable Living CIC

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 April 2018

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 April 2018. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

The above account summarises our activities over the last 12 months. We are currently in the process of developing further our relationships with funders and partners who will enable us to increase both the quality and the range of services that we are able to offer homeless people in the future.

Warmest possible thanks to The Edward Holt trust, Manchester City Council and the Greater Manchester Mayor's fund for their financial and other help. Thanks to Eversheds Sutherland for their pro-bono support in acquiring the building. Thanks to all the individuals and businesses that have donated monies to the Big Change Manchester for their financial help in securing decent accommodation for our clients.

We are grateful for the support of the NHS who has supported us financially to deliver an activities programme. Many individuals have contributed financially or in kind with help setting up and running the project and we are very grateful for their support.

Thanks to all of the individuals who have resided with us, contributed to shaping our service and worked hard to fulfil their aspirations. Thanks also to all the staff and volunteers who have worked throughout the year. The trustees are excited about SSG Sustainable Living's future plans and wish them well. They have achieved so much in their first year and can now only get better.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Objectives and aims**

The objectives of SSG Sustainable Living are:

(1) The relief and prevention of poverty and the relief of need in particular by the provision of accommodation, support and training to people who are homeless or in acute housing distress or suffering poverty, hardship or social and economic disadvantage in Manchester.

(2) The advancement of education including (without limitation) the provision of education and training to eligible persons.

#### **Summary of Achievements**

It has been an exciting year for SSG Sustainable Living as we set up our first accommodation which provided temporary accommodation for 12 rough sleepers in Manchester on a rolling programme. We have also provided an additional 3 units of short term accommodation for individuals that have become homeless whilst in work.

During our first year we have supported 24 individuals to overcome the issues that have led to their homelessness and move on to independent living with resettlement support and we are currently supporting a further 15.

#### **Activities**

All Users have been fully involved in developing an activity programme that has contributed significantly to equip them with additional skills and confidence.

This programme included;

**Wellbeing** - this activity was funded by the NHS and consisted of a number of hands on activities that concentrated on the five ways of improving personal well-being. Planned activities include: DIY workshops, physical workouts, mindfulness sessions, geo trekking, creative writing, mentoring/signposting rough sleepers that are still on the streets, history project with the elderly.

**Come Dine With Me** - based on the popular television programme each individual living at the project was supported to host a cooking session during which they were able to gain skills in a number of areas including budgeting, economical shopping, planning, information technology, food hygiene, cooking and socialising.

**Pool Tournament** - Individuals residing at the project took part in a pool tournament at the project. Individuals displayed satisfaction in being able to showcase personal skills and also reported that they felt better 'connected' with other participants.

#### **Training, Education and Employment**

We have worked closely in partnership with a local charity (The Booth Centre) to maximise support for individuals to access training, education and employment. Of the 39 individuals that we have supported during the last 12 months, 16 individuals have maintained their employment, 3 individuals have accessed formal education, 11 individuals have accessed training and 14 individuals have gained employment.



## SSG Sustainable Living CIC

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 April 2018

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Volunteers**

A number of current and ex-service users have offered their time as volunteers during the last twelve months and we have developed a volunteer programme which is aimed at giving individuals the opportunity to gain knowledge, skills and employment.

In addition we have also recently set up a credit scheme which allows resident volunteers to build up credits for work they perform which can then be exchanged for goods for their prospective new home.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

SSG is governed by its Constitution & regulated by the Charities Commission.

SSG Sustainable Living was established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and constituted on 3rd June 2016. SSG Sustainable Living Trust is registered with the Charities Commission (Registration Number 1167457). The CIO is managed by a board of trustees, who act as the administrative body.

##### **Organisational structure**

The Trustees form the Management Committee of the charity and are responsible for the setting and reviewing of policies, finances and strategic direction.

The Trustees delegate the day to day management of the project to the manager, Maria Marsden. The manager also manages staff and volunteers.

##### **Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

##### **Registered Charity number**

1167457

##### **Principal address**

Kasmir House  
439-441 Cheetham Hill Road  
Manchester  
M8 0PF

##### **Trustees**

The Trustees may convene and appoint a new Trustee to hold office for the period stated in the CIO's Constitution. Trustees are appointed through residence, occupation, employment or otherwise have specialist knowledge of the area of benefit or who are able by virtue of their personal or professional qualifications to make a contribution to the pursuit of the objectives or management of the charity.

New Trustees attend the Trustees induction during which they spend time at the project in order to see how it works in practice, to meet the people who use the project and the staff and volunteers. Each Trustee receives an induction pack, which includes information about their legal responsibility in the Charity Commission booklet, the constitution, financial statements, annual report, budget and recent management committee papers. They are also given information about their role as a Trustee and what is expected of them. They are also given information about other Trustees and are introduced to them.

##### **Independent examiner**

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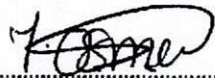
##### **Bankers**

Royal Bank of Scotland PLC  
P.O.Box 5479  
1 Spinningfields Square  
Manchester  
M61 0NH

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Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 30 April 2018

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 9/10/2018 and signed on its behalf by:



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Ms Y Osman - Trustee



Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
SSG Sustainable Living CIC

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of SSG Sustainable Living CIC**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the SSG Sustainable Living CIC (the Trust) for the year ended 30 April 2018.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 3/10/2018

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Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 30 April 2018

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>		
Donations and legacies		87,179
Other trading activities	2	114,019
<b>Total</b>		201,198
 <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>		
Raising funds	3	22,755
Charitable activities		
Housing		146,842
Other		17,922
<b>Total</b>		187,519
 <b>NET INCOME</b>		13,679
 <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		13,679

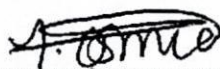
The notes form part of these financial statements

SSG Sustainable Living CIC

Balance Sheet  
At 30 April 2018

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Debtors	6	17,500
Cash at bank		16,728
		<hr/> 34,228
<b>CREDITORS</b>		
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(20,549)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<hr/> 13,679
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<hr/> 13,679
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<hr/> <hr/> 13,679
<b>FUNDS</b>	9	
Unrestricted funds		13,679
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<hr/> <hr/> 13,679

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 9/10/2018 and were signed on its behalf by:



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Ms Y Osman -Trustee



## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

### Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

### Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

### Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

## 2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

M.C.C.	£ 114,019
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## 3. RAISING FUNDS

### Investment management costs

Property repairs	£ 22,755
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## 4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 April 2018.

### Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 April 2018.

## 5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

Support Staff	12
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No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 30 April 2018

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Other debtors	£ 17,500
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7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Taxation and social security	£ 1,631
Other creditors	18,918
	<u>20,549</u>

8. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

Amounts falling due within one year on demand:	£
Other loans	<u>3,650</u>

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net movement in funds £	At 30.4.18 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>		
General fund	13,679	13,679
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>13,679</u>	<u>13,679</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	201,198	(187,519)	13,679
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>201,198</u>	<u>(187,519)</u>	<u>13,679</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 April 2018.