REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 FOR TOGETHER IN SUSSEX

Simon Winnard & Company Redington Court 69 Church Road Hove East Sussex BN3 2BB

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Charity's objectives are for the benefit of the public to promote the efficiency of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objectives, or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision; and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually, through the provision of grants, goods or services.

Significant activities

Activity and focus in 2018

Diane Watts continued her excellent work as our Development Worker and spent the year scoping and networking across the Diocese of Chichester to ascertain the range of social action activities already taking place by the Church of England and other denominational groups. This resulted in regular report to the trustees and recommendations in relation to areas of concern or gaps in provisions that she was able to identify. She also explored opportunities for collaboration with local councils and other secular charities and community groups.

Areas identified for more intensive investigation and project generation remained as described in the 2017 report and included the following:

- Homelessness and night shelter/hostel and day centre provision

- Mental Health and wellbeing of vulnerable groups
- Loneliness and isolation in urban and rural settings
- Provision of new housing areas and the challenge of community building for those new to a community
- Food & fuel poverty and the action of food banks
- Slavery and exploitation of recent immigrants and other vulnerable groups
- Debt and financial exploitation

Diane attended a number of training events and workshops as part of her data gathering work and also began to deliver some training programmes to local churches including Know Your Church, Know Your Neighbourhood workshops, involvement with the Clewer Initiative on human trafficking and slavery, the Places of Welcome initiative and the start up of Renew Wellbeing Cafés. She produced regular newsletters and identified the need for a Mental Health and Wellbeing worker. The trustees approved a recommendation to employ someone in this post on a part-time basis and work began on recruiting for this to begin in 2019.

Together is Sussex is not a grant making body, but exists instead to encourage, support and otherwise resource local community and church groups to engage with the above and other social challenges that may uniquely and variously occur in local settings. Together in Sussex offers opportunities for networking, resource and expertise sharing and can act as a broker between various groups wishing to address similar issues.

Public benefit

The Directors and therefore the Trustees of Together in Sussex have paid due regard to the Charity Commission on Public benefit reporting in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The Trustees are satisfied that the charity met it's objectives during the year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The charity has no reserves policy.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Organisational structure

The Trustees of Together in Sussex are made up of Church and community leaders in Sussex along with a representative from the Church Urban Fund. The directors meet when necessary to carry out the work of the charity and maintain its direction and ethos.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number 10375699 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number 1171719

Registered office 211 New Church Road Hove East Sussex BN3 4ED

Trustees

Venerable M C Lloyd Williams J R Miles

Reverend K M O'Brien M B Poole Ms S A R Roff

Ms M M Saffery

Independent examiner

Simon Winnard & Company Redington Court 69 Church Road Hove East Sussex BN3 2BB

Approved by order of the board of trustees on

M B Poole - Trustee

Minister Of Religion Charity Development Manager Vicar Vicar Retired Professional Fundraiser NGO Director - appointed 9/2/2018

..... and signed on its behalf by:

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Together in Sussex ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

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Mr Lawrence Vosper MAAT Simon Winnard & Company Redington Court 69 Church Road Hove East Sussex BN3 2BB

Date: 17/09/19

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Um	restricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Year ended 31/12/18 Total funds £	Period 14/9/16 to 31/12/17 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM Donations and legacies		50,000	10,000	60,000	55,833
Total		50,000	10,000	60,000	55,833
EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities Charitable activies		41,797	375	42,172	29,346
NET INCOME		8,203	9,625	17,828	26,487
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		16,862	9,625	26,487	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		25,065	19,250	44,315	26,487

The notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

		restricted fund	Restricted fund	2018 Total funds	2017 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	6	-	750	750	1,125
CURRENT ASSETS Cash at bank		25,665	18,500	44,165	25,662
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	7	(600)	-	(600)	(300)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		25,065	18,500	43,565	25,362
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		25,065	19,250	44,315	26,487
NET ASSETS		25,065	19,250	44,315	26,487
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	0			25,065 19,250	16,862 9,625
TOTAL FUNDS				44,315	26,487

The notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2018.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

M B Poole -Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

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

2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

		Period
		14/9/16
	Year ended	to
	31/12/18	31/12/17
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	375	375

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2018 nor for the period ended 31 December 2017 .

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2018 nor for the period ended 31 December 2017.

4. STAFF COSTS

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

		Period 14/9/16
	Year ended	to
	31/12/18	31/12/17
Development workers	1	1

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

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	45,833	10,000	55,833
Total	45,833	10,000	55,833
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities Charitable activies	20.071	375	20.246
Charitable activities	28,971		29,346
Total	28,971	375	29,346
NET INCOME	16,862	9,625	26,487
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	16,862	9,625	26,487

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 January 2018 and 31 December 2018	1,500
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2018	375
Charge for year	375
At 31 December 2018	750
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2018	750
At 31 December 2017	1,125
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	2018 £	2017 £
Accrued expenses	600	300

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

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	m	Net ovement in	
	At 1/1/18	funds	At 31/12/18
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,862	8,203	25,065
Restricted funds			
General Restricted Fund	9,625	9,625	19,250
TOTAL FUNDS	26,487	17,828	44,315

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds General fund	50,000	(41,797)	8,203
Restricted funds General Restricted Fund	10,000	(375)	9,625
TOTAL FUNDS	60,000	(42,172)	17,828

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/17 £
Unrestricted Funds General fund	16,862	16,862
Restricted Funds General Restricted Fund	9,625	9,625
TOTAL FUNDS	26,487	26,487

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds General fund	45,833	(28,971)	16,862
Restricted funds General Restricted Fund	10,000	(375)	9,625
TOTAL FUNDS	55,833	(29,346)	26,487

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2018.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Year ended 31/12/18 £	Period 14/9/16 to 31/12/17 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies Grants	60,000	55,833
Total incoming resources	60,000	55,833
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities Wages	31,000	23,250
Social security	3,125	2,364
Pensions	2,325	1,356
Administration costs Computer equipment	5,047 375	1,701 375
Comparer equipment		
	41,872	29,046
Support costs		
Governance costs Accountancy and legal fees	300	300
Total resources expended	42,172	29,346
Net income	17 000	26,487
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