

# **Together Liverpool**

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

## **Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2018**



**Greater Merseyside Community  
Accountancy Service**

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**Prepared by the Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service**

# **Together Liverpool**

## **Trustees' Report**

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The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects 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.

The purpose of Together Liverpool is to enhance the capacity of the Churches' mission and neighbourliness in the poorest communities in the diocesan area (their clergy, ministers, leaders, lay staff, volunteers, projects and people), engaging every Church in addressing poverty.

### **Our aim is to:**

1. Organise, develop & establish Together Liverpool as a vehicle offering targeted support for identified church related projects working in key priority areas normally identified from good practice in the area covered;
2. Help individual churches to have a greater and more sustainable impact in tackling poverty in their community;
3. Nurture useful, relevant networking and connecting between project practitioners, key third sector infrastructure bodies, local statutory services, and other Voluntary/Community/Faith Organisations to provoke collaboration, maximise resources and develop effective dialogue with other sectors.
4. Pilot the emerging Church Credit Champions Network programme and ensure management and monitoring of the same.

### **Our vision is to:**

1. Enable churches to make a greater contribution to the social and spiritual transformation of communities in the whole of our Diocesan Area;
2. Support churches and faith-based organisations' response to poverty and marginalisation – through management, direct funding, development work and networking to key sources of infrastructure and other specialist support;
3. Enable churches to influence and shape social and economic policy;
4. Raise the profile of faith inspired social and community action which can be overlooked as they are often self-supporting, self-sustaining and volunteer led.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### **Achievements and Performance - Year 6: Renewed Vision**

The Diocese of Liverpool had developed a Mission tag which is A Bigger Church Making a Bigger Difference - more people knowing Jesus and more justice in the world. Together Liverpool takes it part firmly in the work to make a bigger difference and to highlight social justice with our colleagues in the Anglican Diocese and other Churches in our region.

During 2018 we saw the completion of the current Just Finance work as a result Julia Webster completed her contract with us. We are very grateful to Julia for her hard work and dedication and we remain committed to the principles of financial inclusion – particularly the future development of partnerships with credit unions. We will continue to explore potential funding streams for further work with Just Finance or Life Savers.

# Together Liverpool

## Trustees' report continued

### 1. Network of Kindness

This year has seen the charity trustees developing a three year plan that has been used as the basis for various funding applications. We have a vision to create a 'Network of Kindness'

We believe that *Together Liverpool* is a catalyst aiming to play a 'generous' leadership and partnership role, and thereby strengthening relationships within communities and connecting people with supporting organisations. As part of our mission we plan to encourage more social action by creating a 'network on kindness' so that people become better embedded within local networks of social mutual support; and in which social isolation is reduced and people experience a greater sense of wellbeing. We have a strong range of social action activities to build on and extend.

Through our leadership, greater social action and bespoke financial inclusion projects we have a vision of growing 'community capital and inclusion' in Liverpool's poorest neighbourhoods. This flows from a recent social action research report (*A Bigger Difference*; October 2018). This report gathered extensive qualitative and quantitative data from all the churches in the Diocese of Liverpool. The far reaching geography of the diocese and the embedded nature of these churches in the communities they represent means this research offered us, for the first time, a clear picture of the social action work our churches are committed to undertaking. The diversity of the social action and the impact this is having on communities is extensive. With community spaces on high streets, tucked away in back streets, on the corners of junctions in nearly every postcode of the Liverpool City Region (Wirral is in Chester Diocese) the Diocese of Liverpool has a church working for social justice in every community.

*Together Liverpool* has been building up community networks and working with a wide range of partners on many issues for the past five years and now feels we are ready to enter into a new phase of our work. The following is a vision for the next three years: 2019 to 2022. The main focus is on enhancing our unique 'generous leadership' role by *extending social action, developing networks and promoting financial and community inclusion*.

### 2. Methods of Working

*Together Liverpool* excels in driving forward community-based grassroots initiatives designed to tackle entrenched social deprivation and exclusion. In co-designing social interventions that would have a positive impact in Liverpool, there are three main concepts underpinning its approach as follows:

- **Asset-based community development** – we always seek to realise the value of existing community assets – whether latent or manifest – and throughout *Together Liverpool's* work we have placed the primary focus on the strengths available to each local community, while acknowledging the needs and deficiencies in each area. In any given locality, such assets may include buildings or formal institutions such as churches, libraries, community halls, children's centres; or they may be individuals with official or otherwise locally acknowledged influence, and, crucially they include the social relationships between people.

- **Co-production** - our approach is best expressed by the idea that things should be done with people, not to them, and that people and communities have assets that can help them realise their own needs and aspirations. People are firmly in the lead. For this reason, we have endeavoured to co-produce the research with the communities in question at every stage (*A Bigger Difference*) and we have worked with many organisational partners, in the public sector (Liverpool City Council) alongside the voluntary and faith sectors to boost project and service effectiveness. We have stimulated social action activities in this way, and the recent financial inclusion Summit focused on intervention projects that were also co-produced, and designed through participatory workshops.

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## Trustees' report continued

- **Sustainability** - *Together Liverpool* wants to deliver bottom-up sustainable improvement and has developed an approach which sustainably empowers people and communities with the social infrastructure required to better understand themselves, address their own problems in partnership with other actors, and realise opportunities and aspirations. We have most recently developed a project 'Liverpool Kindness' that builds on this sustainability approach.

### 3. Together Liverpool is an Anchor Organisation

Together Liverpool has historically worked with deaneries/churches in the diocese, churches of other traditions, other faith groups and other partners in the VCFSE sector to act as an '**anchor organisation**' providing technical support and advice about good practice, funding and partnerships.

### 4. Social Action Focus

During the last five years *Together Liverpool* has co-hosted with the diocese of Liverpool a series of **summits focusing on areas of social action**. These summits have enabled us to understand more about the way churches work in their communities, how they engage in social action, how they mobilise volunteer capacity and how they fund their work. As a result we have volunteer social action 'champions' in the following areas of social action (these champions act as our Stakeholders Engagement & Reference Group participants):

- Food poverty
- Displaced people (asylum seekers, refugees)
- Homelessness
- Financial inclusion
- Anti-modern slavery and human trafficking (including serious and organised crime)
- Environment and earth justice
- Urban and estates
- Diversity and social inclusion
- Health and wellbeing
- Disability
- Civic leadership
- Older people
- Children and young people
- The judicial system (including prisons, approved premises, family, magistrates and high courts)
- Volunteer training, 'recruitability' and employability

What we have found is that churches are developing social action projects that speak and act into some of the most challenging inequalities faced by people living in the city region. They are living and operating out of areas of significant inequality and harnessing the volunteer skills of people who have lived experience of the challenges that are being faced. This is transformative work that changes communities and creates social stability. Our 'champions' tell us that churches can do even more to support communities if *Together Liverpool* were able to develop volunteer training and leadership skills, help churches focus provision by recognising assets, identifying community needs and response.

When we spoke to our community partners we were told that as well as social action churches were able to offer was 'a network kindness'. We have been told that kindness is a key feature of the provision and action we undertake. Kindness is not an added extra but integral to the way we are developing our relational social action work.

# Together Liverpool

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## Trustees' report continued

### 5. Network of Kindness in Action

The research and consultation findings and partner contributions helped to inform, shape and contribute to this **'network of kindness' local plan**. *Together Liverpool* wishes to build on its solid track-record and continue to promote social action activities throughout the diocese to generate community and social inclusion.

Our vision is for more inclusive social action activities to serve all members of the community, particularly people and communities, which are the most socially vulnerable. We want to build on existing networks and provision to create a 'network of kindness'. *Together Liverpool* considers the characteristics of this kindness to be:

- just
- generous
- considerate
- caring

The *Together Liverpool* 'network of kindness' will enable existing or newly imagined projects to thrive and enthuse with these characteristics. We want to help individuals and organisations to weave more kindness into their provision and ask how they can enable participants to spread kindness even further. For us kindness isn't just 'added value' it is at the heart of everything we do and is what connects us to each other. Our kindness is a transaction of goodness and an act of justice. Being kind is a radical act of generosity that enables us to become connected to each other beyond our boundaries and differences.

Our proposed specific interventions to realise our vision and aims include:

- Strengthening, developing and expanding local organisations that are already playing a role in social action
- Introducing new organisations that share our vision for a social action locally where there are gaps in expertise, capacity or services
- Advocating for local, regional and national changes in the law, social provision and cultural vision so that together we improve the lives of people living in the region.

Ways of working:

- Working in partnership, developing and implementing our plans with local organisations so that change is embedded
- Developing and testing our approaches, so we can be confident of mobilising local groups and people around the practical activities that work
- Developing the number, leadership and confidence of people working and volunteering in local groups so their contributions can be sustained
- Enhancing the skills of local leaders to advocate for social action in their communities and lobby for social justice.

## **Together Liverpool**

### **Trustees' report continued**

#### **6. Examples of a 'network of kindness' projects**

As well as the social action that each church is committed to in their local community Together Liverpool has developed some specific network of kindness projects that

- *Liverpool Kindness: kindness connectors*

This project was initiated by the Asylum GP surgery where the GP had identified that one of the challenges displaced people face is connecting into their networks of wellbeing. So, this project was designed by the GP surgery and Together Liverpool in order to pilot a method of connecting people through kindness. Bringing people together alongside generating kindness and strong relationships are our core objectives. This one year pilot project is designed to better connect refugees, asylum seekers and migrants to local - more settled - kind and helpful people in the City, to assist them in then socially connecting (mixing with and developing meaningful relationships) with others in their local communities. This includes helping them to register with GPs, getting involved in community activities and generally feeling more of a part of the local community; and very importantly talking to neighbours and sharing goodwill and kindness; and aiding their social integration and boosting the self-confidence and wellbeing and improve relationships across communities and also develop new small-scale people-led projects; using faith and church buildings.

The volunteer 'Connectors' will each be paired with 1-3 asylum seekers/migrants each, and the aim is to recruit at least 20 volunteers. The project Liverpool Kindness results from surveying the welfare, health and wellbeing needs of asylum seekers using local emergency service providers including foodbanks and churches; and it builds on work done by the 'Churches Together in the Merseyside Region' to better organise a warm and kind welcome to refugees, asylum seekers and migrants. We are also talking to asylum seekers (at local Foodbanks) and finding out what they want, and how we can generate a spirit of kindness in our wider community. A stakeholder group has been formed to develop and manage the project, partnerships have been firmed up. We have conducted a major research project to see how we can grow social action and build strong relationships. 100s of people and organisations have participated in the research. Many have responded enthusiastically saying how they want to do more in their local community of volunteers and asylum seekers alike. Many are very isolated and lonely, residing only temporarily in Liverpool before their removal or whilst their asylum seeker case is reviewed.

We will conduct further surveys and hold two focus group meetings during the year, to ensure we learn and can demonstrate positive outcomes. We believe that after one year it will be self-sustaining and require little new funding, as volunteers will be trained and recruited. Liverpool Kindness Connectors (all volunteers) will be recruited by a sessional worker, and be part of our 'A Bigger Difference' initiative stimulating social action within all churches and with those from all faiths. Funds are needed for sessional hours, project promotion, volunteer training and travel expenses, and a microwebsite.

Posters, fliers, social media and website will boost promotion so that we can recruit all the volunteers we need. Asylum seekers (the majority with poor English language skills, socially isolated and experiencing great hardship) come from refugee-producing countries like Eritrea, Sudan, Iran, Syria and Afghanistan. Liverpool Kindness Connectors will share and exchange their cultures, connect with other social action providers like Micah, Credit Unions, Foodbanks, and refugees support groups like Asylum Help; Asylum Link Merseyside, Red Cross, LARA Liverpool- and encourage all their ideas to strengthen community cohesion, inter-community and inter-faith understanding.

- *Places of Welcome: kindness in community spaces*

Places of welcome is a growing network of local community groups providing their neighbourhoods with places where all people feel safe to belong, connect and contribute.

Places of Welcome are easy to set up as long as the community group is able to provide these five elements:



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1. *Place* : accessible hospitable space that is open the same time every week
2. *People* : staffed by a group of local people
3. *Presence* : the people are committed to opening engage in conversation.
4. *Provision* : free and offers access to local information
5. *Participation* : sharing of all participants gifts

We currently have 12 places of welcome. These are scattered across the diocese and not just in churches. We want these places to grow so we can connect more people into local communities.

- *Feeding Liverpool: kindness as a response to food insecurity*

We want to transform the unjust structures within our society that contribute to the root causes of food poverty. We are doing this through working in partnerships with 'experts by experience': both the organisations already doing excellent work in this area, and communities with lived experience of food poverty. Working with Feeding Liverpool we have been commissioned to map provision, tell the stories of participants and lay out possible next steps for delivery and social change.

### 6. Summary of the Vision and Practice

*Together Liverpool* will be a catalyst for change by providing the expertise and capacity to local partners within the region. We will facilitate networking opportunities and share expertise that will enable partners to gather round extant or new social action work. *Together Liverpool* will also help groups to expand and/or tailor their services. We will use resources, programmes and approaches that have been developed and proven by *Together Liverpool* recent operational experiences. Where needed, we will draw on our knowledge of good practice, innovation and change to introduce, adapt and embed new methods suited to local priorities

Within the context of the specific kindness projects and other social action activities our objectives for the next three years are to:

- Develop the initial work we've done with church communities and incorporate kindness principles into this and encourage social action to develop and strengthen.
- Work with deaneries that have a good track record of social action projects to train new leaders and volunteers to embed 'kindness' principles into this work, become more focused on their provision and develop a coherent impact measuring tool that will enable them to make good choices about further social action initiatives.
- Help deaneries that are less focused on social action and are struggling to understand the needs of their communities to work with asset-based methodologies to develop projects that will promote kindness and address social injustice in their areas.

### 7. Next steps

In order to enable this work to flourish we have taken steps to strengthen to charity and prepare it for the next phase of work, taking the following immediate action:

- Recruit 5 more trustees to the charity;
- Apply for funding to support this vision;
- Recruit a project lead officer and two project workers (all part-time) to deliver the projects as outlined above.



# Together Liverpool

## Trustees' report continued

### 8. Public Benefit Statement

Trustees have paid due regard to their obligations under public benefit and highlight the following key programmes as delivering benefit in this period :

- **Just Finance:**

The completion of this project saw over a 2 year period:

- a. Over 1200 new credit union members
- b. Over 90 churches engaged
- c. Over 100 trained as credit champions/debt signposter
- d. Contact/work with 19 credit unions (now down to 14)

- **Newsletter** developing the 'network of kindness':

Over 500 people contacted quarterly and connected to social justice projects, funding opportunities shared and new projects initiated.

- **Social action research and impact measurement:**

During 2018 we were able to further utilise the research gathered about the impact of the social action projects undertaken in churches and community groups.

The report examined the 'generous leadership' role of churches across the diocese and their understanding of social action. The researchers looked at regular, formally-organised activities, for examples, through hosting a foodbank or running a children's play group; but also the generous use of material and financial resources to local and national organisations, and their involvement in community action. The social action activities that they engaged with including running, hosting, partnering or supporting an activity was extensive and wide-ranging. The findings were:

- o 74% are involved in foodbanks
- o 48% are involved with toddler groups or playgroups
- o 44% are involved with lunch clubs or drop-ins
- o 32% are involved with community cafes
- o 21% are involved with money matters and debt advice
- o 16% are involved with provision for the homeless.

This research continues to be used to help the charity deliver focused project work and enables us to offer advice and support to churches and community groups who are undertaking new projects. we plan to undertake further research in 2019/20 which will enable to measure impact further

### 9. Financial Review

The operational deficit on the general fund during the year was £1,850 ((£15,387 ~ 2017))

As at 31 December 2018 total funds of £6,710 were held. Restricted funds were spent out during the year.

The overall fund balance has increased in light of restructuring. The year-end position is adequate for the revised level of activity and proposed staffing recruitment for 2019.

As at the 31 December 2018 there is no formal reserve policy in place although the trustees carefully monitor the ongoing position to ensure that the charity remains viable.

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### **Trustees' report continued**

#### **10. Structure, Governance and Management Risk Management**

The trustees have a risk management strategy which comprises:

- an annual review of the principal risks and uncertainties that the charity faces;
- the establishment of policies, systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the annual review; and
- the implementation of procedures designed to minimise or manage any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

This work has identified that financial sustainability is the major financial risk for both the charity and its subsidiary. A key element in the management of financial risk is a regular review of available liquid funds to settle debts as they fall due, regular liaison with the bank and active management of trade debtors and creditors balances to ensure sufficient working capital by the charity.

Attention has also been focused on non-financial risks arising from fire, health and safety of clients, food hygiene. These risks are managed by ensuring accreditation is up to date, having robust policies and procedures in place, and regular awareness training for staff working in these operational areas.

## **Reference and Administrative Details**

### **Together Liverpool**

**Charity number 1151977**

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The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2018.

The trustees during the year were:

| <b>Name</b>                    | <b>Position</b> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Canon Professor Hilary Russell | Chair           |
| Sibylle Nothhelfer-Batten      |                 |
| David Bishop                   |                 |
| Reverend Canon Dr Ellen Loudon |                 |

**Secretary**

Reverend Canon Dr Ellen Loudon

#### **Method of appointment**

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

#### **Registered address**

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#### **Independent examiner**

on behalf of:

#### **Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service**

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#### **Bankers**

Lloyds Bank  
88-94 Church Street  
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#### **Governing document**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated 23 August 2012. The 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.

#### **Objects of the organisation**

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects 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.

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#### **Approval**

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees on 24th September 2019 and signed on their behalf by:



Rev Canon Dr Ellen Loudon  
Company Secretary



Dr Hilary E Russell  
Chair of Trustees

## **Together Liverpool**

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### **Statement of Directors' responsibilities**

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial accounts for each 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 charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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 business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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 and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board on 24th September 2019 and signed on behalf of the directors by:



Reverend Canon Dr Ellen Loudon  
Director / Trustee

## **Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Together Liverpool**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2018 set out on pages 14 to 23

### **Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and examiner**

The charity's 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
- ☐ 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 Commissioners. 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:

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 to 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.



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24th September 2019

**Together Liverpool**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**(Including Income & Expenditure Account)**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2018**

|  | Notes | 2018<br>Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2018<br>Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2018<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ | 2017<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ |
|--|-------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Income from:</b>                        |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                             |
| Income from donations                      | (4)   | 20                                 | -                                | 20                          | 10,938                      |
| Income from charitable activities          | (5)   | 37,800                             | -                                | 37,800                      | 50,000                      |
| Other incoming resources                   | (6)   | 2,113                              | -                                | 2,113                       | 4,916                       |
| <b>Total incoming resources</b>            |       | <u>39,933</u>                      | <u>-</u>                         | <u>39,933</u>               | <u>65,854</u>               |
| <b>Resources expended</b>                  |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                             |
| Charitable activities                      | (7)   | <u>41,783</u>                      | <u>-</u>                         | <u>41,783</u>               | <u>81,241</u>               |
| <b>Net incoming / (outgoing) resources</b> |       | (1,850)                            | -                                | (1,850)                     | (15,387)                    |
| <b>Transfers between funds</b>             |       | <u>-</u>                           | <u>-</u>                         | <u>-</u>                    | <u>-</u>                    |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>               |       | (1,850)                            | -                                | (1,850)                     | (15,387)                    |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>             |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                             |
| <b>Total funds as at 01 January 2018</b>   |       | <u>8,560</u>                       | <u>-</u>                         | <u>8,560</u>                | <u>23,947</u>               |
| <b>Total funds as at 31 December 2018</b>  |       | <u>6,710</u>                       | <u>-</u>                         | <u>6,710</u>                | <u>8,560</u>                |

The above statement includes all gains and losses recognised during the year.  
All activities are regarded as continuing.  
The Notes on pages 17 to 23 form an integral part of these accounts.



## Together Liverpool

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### Balance sheet

as at 31 December 2018

|  |      | 2018          | 2018       | 2018          | 2017          |
|--|------|---------------|------------|---------------|---------------|
|  |      | Unrestricted  | Restricted | Total         | Total         |
|  |      | £             | £          | £             | £             |
| <b>Fixed Assets</b>                        |      |               |            |               |               |
| Tangible Assets                            | (10) | 153           | -          | 153           | 228           |
| <b>Total fixed assets</b>                  |      | <u>153</u>    | <u>-</u>   | <u>153</u>    | <u>228</u>    |
| <b>Current Assets</b>                      |      |               |            |               |               |
| Debtors and prepayments                    | (11) | -             | -          | -             | -             |
| Cash at bank and in hand                   | (12) | 66,255        | -          | 66,255        | 28,455        |
| <b>Total current assets</b>                |      | <u>66,255</u> | <u>-</u>   | <u>66,255</u> | <u>28,455</u> |
| <b>Current liabilities:</b>                |      |               |            |               |               |
| <b>amounts falling due within one year</b> |      |               |            |               |               |
| Creditors (due within one year)            | (13) | 59,698        | -          | 59,698        | 20,123        |
| <b>Total current liabilities</b>           |      | <u>59,698</u> | <u>-</u>   | <u>59,698</u> | <u>20,123</u> |
| <b>Net Assets</b>                          |      | <u>6,710</u>  | <u>-</u>   | <u>6,710</u>  | <u>8,332</u>  |
| <b>Funds of the charity</b>                |      |               |            |               |               |
| Restricted Funds                           |      | -             | -          | -             | 0             |
| Unrestricted funds                         |      | 6,710         | -          | 6,710         | 8,560         |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                         | (14) | <u>6,710</u>  | <u>-</u>   | <u>6,710</u>  | <u>8,560</u>  |

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) confirm that for the year ended 31 December 2018

the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, and

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

the trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The notes on pages 17 to 23 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts, which have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, were approved by the trustees on 24th September 2019 and signed on their behalf by:



Dr Hilary E Russell  
Director / Trustee

**Together Liverpool**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2018**

|  | 2018          | 2017             |
|--|---------------|------------------|
|  | £             | £                |
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b> |               |                  |
| Net income/(expenditure) per SOFA            | (1,850)       | (15,387)         |
| Depreciation                                 | 75            | 113              |
| (Increase)/decrease in debtors               | (11) -        | -                |
| Increase/(decrease) in creditors             | (13) 39,575   | (114,728)        |
|  | <u>37,800</u> | <u>(130,002)</u> |
| <br><b>Net Increase/(decrease) in cash:</b>  | <br>37,800    | <br>(130,002)    |
| <b>Total cash as at 01 January 2018</b>      | <u>28,455</u> | <u>158,457</u>   |
| <b>Total cash as at 31 December 2018</b>     | <u>66,255</u> | <u>28,455</u>    |

The notes on pages 17 to 23 form an integral part of these accounts.

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## **Notes to the accounts**

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### **1 Basis of preparation**

These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention,

- 1.1 with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:

- (a) The Charities Act 2011
- (b) The Companies Act 2006
- (c) The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS 102

(d) Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS 102) (effective January 2015)

- 1.3 The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102

- 1.4 The trustees consider that there are not material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

### **2 Accounting Policies**

#### **2.1 Fund accounting**

- (a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.
- (b) Restricted funds are those that may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor, or when funds are raised for specific purposes.
- (c) The purposes of the funds are shown in Note 7a.

#### **2.2 Income**

- (a) Income is recognised and included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the income; receipt is probable; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
- (b) Where income has related expenditure (e.g. project activities), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.
- (c) Bank interest is recognised when credited to the account.
- (d) Gift Aid, where appropriate, is recognised in the same accounting period as the donation to which it relates.
- (e) Income, which is subject to conditions that the charity has yet to fulfil, or which is specifically for use in a future accounting period, is treated as deferred income.

#### **2.3 Expenditure and liabilities**

- (a) Expenditure is recognised on the accruals basis.
- (b) The charity is not registered for VAT, thus all costs are shown inclusive of VAT charged.
- (c) Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay out resources.
- (d) Governance costs include the costs of preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the cost of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

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### **2.4 Tangible Fixed Assets**

(a) Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £250. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at their value on receipt.

Rates of depreciation

Equipment: 33% reducing balance

### **2.5 Debtors**

(a) Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

(b) Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

### **2.6 Cash**

(a) Cash comprises bank deposits repayable on demand and any short-term highly liquid investments with a maturity date of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

### **2.7 Creditors**

(a) Creditors 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 are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount.

(b) Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

### **2.8 Taxation**

The charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

## **3 Transactions with trustees and related parties**

No trustees received any remuneration or expenses during the accounting period.

Owing to the nature of the charity's activities and the composition of the board of trustees (being drawn from local statutory and voluntary organisation), it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a trustee may have an interest. All transactions in which a trustee may have an interest are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the charity's financial regulations and expenditure procedures. No transactions were identified which should be disclosed under FRS 102.

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| 4 Income from donations and legacies | 2018               | 2018             | 2018        | 2017        |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                      | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Total funds | Total funds |
|                                      | £                  | £                | £           | £           |
| Donations from individuals           | 20                 | -                | 20          | 10,938      |
|                                      | 20                 | -                | 20          | 10,938      |

| 5 Income from charitable activities | 2018               | 2018             | 2018        | 2017        |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                     | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Total funds | Total funds |
|                                     | £                  | £                | £           | £           |
| EF Rathbone Trust                   | 3000               | -                | 3,000       | -           |
| Church Urban Fund                   | 34,800             | -                | 34,800      | 50,000      |
|                                     | 37,800             | -                | 37,800      | 50,000      |

| 6 Other incoming resources from charitable activities | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Total funds | Total funds |
|---|--------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | £                  | £                | £           | £           |
| Other incoming resources                              | 2,113              | -                | 2,113       | 4,916       |
|   | 2,113              | -                | 2,113       | 4,916       |

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**7 Expenditure of charitable activities**

|                                 | 2018<br>Unrestricted<br>funds | 2018<br>Restricted<br>funds | 2018<br>Total<br>funds | 2017<br>Total<br>funds |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|                                 | £                             | £                           | £                      | £                      |
| <b><u>Direct Costs</u></b>      |                               |                             |                        |                        |
| Salaries and NICs (3)           | 35,803                        | -                           | 35,803                 | -                      |
| Staff Travel & Training         | 1,325                         | -                           | 1,325                  | -                      |
| Printing & Stationery           | 745                           | -                           | 745                    | -                      |
| Expenses                        | 755                           | -                           | 755                    | -                      |
| Publications & Subscriptions    | 350                           | -                           | 350                    | -                      |
| Insurance                       | 818                           | -                           | 818                    | -                      |
| Telephone                       | 50                            | -                           | 50                     | -                      |
| Professional fees               | 420                           | -                           | 420                    | -                      |
| Conferences & Meeting fees      | 1,218                         | -                           | 1,218                  | -                      |
| Project Set Up Costs            | -                             | -                           | -                      | 80,708                 |
| Depreciation                    | 75                            | -                           | 75                     | 113                    |
| Governance Costs (8)            | 225                           | -                           | 225                    | 420                    |
| <b>Total resources expended</b> | <b>41,783</b>                 | <b>-</b>                    | <b>41,783</b>          | <b>81,241</b>          |

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|                                  |               |            |
|----------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| <b>8 Governance Costs</b>        | 2018          | 2017       |
|                                  | £             | £          |
| Independent Examiners' fee       | 225           | 420        |
| Administration                   | -             | -          |
|                                  | <u>225</u>    | <u>420</u> |
| <b>9 Staff costs and numbers</b> | 2018          | 2017       |
|                                  | £             | £          |
| Gross salaries                   | 21,609        | -          |
| Other wages                      | 8,052         | -          |
| Employer's NI                    | 1,916         | -          |
| Pensions                         | 4,227         | -          |
|                                  | <u>35,803</u> | <u>-</u>   |

No employee earned £60,000 per annum or more in the current accounting period  
The average number of employees during the year was 1 FTE (2017: 1)



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|                                    |                                  |               |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>10 Tangible assets</b>          | <b>Furniture &amp; Equipment</b> | <b>Total</b>  |
|                                    | <b>£</b>                         | <b>£</b>      |
| <u>Cost</u>                        |                                  |               |
| At 1 January 2018                  | 1,285                            | 1,285         |
| Additions                          | -                                | -             |
| At 31 December 2018                | <u>1,285</u>                     | <u>1,285</u>  |
| <u>Depreciation</u>                |                                  |               |
| At 1 January 2018                  | 1,057                            | 1,057         |
| Charge for year                    | 75                               | 75            |
| At 31 December 2018                | <u>1,132</u>                     | <u>1,132</u>  |
| <u>Net book value</u>              |                                  |               |
| At 31 December 2018                | <u>153</u>                       | <u>153</u>    |
| At 1st January 2018                | <u>228</u>                       | <u>228</u>    |
| <b>11 Debtors and prepayments</b>  | <b>2018</b>                      | <b>2017</b>   |
|                                    | <b>£</b>                         | <b>£</b>      |
| Debtors                            | -                                | -             |
| Prepayments                        | -                                | -             |
|                                    | <u>-</u>                         | <u>-</u>      |
| <b>12 Cash at bank and in hand</b> | <b>2018</b>                      | <b>2017</b>   |
|                                    | <b>£</b>                         | <b>£</b>      |
| Current Account                    | 66,255                           | 28,455        |
|                                    | <u>66,255</u>                    | <u>28,455</u> |
| <b>13 Creditors and accruals</b>   | <b>2018</b>                      | <b>2017</b>   |
|                                    | <b>£</b>                         | <b>£</b>      |
| Creditors                          | 59,698                           | 20,123        |
|                                    | <u>59,698</u>                    | <u>20,123</u> |

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**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**(Including Income & Expenditure Account)**  
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**14 Comparative income and expenditure by fund type**

|  | Unrestricted Funds |                | Restricted Funds |                |
|--|--------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|
|  | 2018               | 2017           | 2018             | 2017           |
|  | £                  | £              | £                | £              |
| <b>Income from:</b>                        |                    |                |                  |                |
| Income from donations                      | 20                 | -              | -                | -              |
| Income from charitable activities          | 37,800             | 43,871         | -                | 21,983         |
| Other incoming resources                   | 2,113              | -              | -                | -              |
| <b>Total incoming resources</b>            | <b>39,933</b>      | <b>43,871</b>  | <b>-</b>         | <b>21,983</b>  |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>                     |                    |                |                  |                |
| Charitable activities                      | 41,783             | 52,249         | -                | 28,992         |
| <b>Net Incoming / (outgoing) resources</b> | <b>(1,850)</b>     | <b>(8,378)</b> | <b>-</b>         | <b>(7,009)</b> |
| <b>Transfers between funds</b>             | <b>-</b>           | <b>-</b>       | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>       |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>               | <b>(1,850)</b>     | <b>(8,378)</b> | <b>-</b>         | <b>(7,009)</b> |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>             |                    |                |                  |                |
| Total funds as at 01 January 2018          | 8,560              | 16,938         | -                | 7,009          |
| <b>Total funds as at 31 December 2018</b>  | <b>6,710</b>       | <b>8,560</b>   | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>       |