Registered number: 6663601

THAMES WATER TRUST FUND

Unaudited Financial Statements Year ended 31 March 2019



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TRUST INFORMATION

TRUSTEES

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COMPANY SECRETARY

Auriga Services Limited

COMPANY NUMBER

6663601

CHARITY NUMBER

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REGISTERED OFFICE

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The company was incorporated on 4 August 2008 as a private, limited by guarantee, company having no share capital.

The Trustees have considered the risks to which the charity is exposed and have taken steps to mitigate those risks.

The Trustees have agreed that, as part of the induction process for new trustees, before anyone considers appointment as a trustee they should familiarise themselves with the responsibilities of charity trustees, read the Charity Commission booklet on this subject and carefully read the trust deed, the settlor's directions and the latest financial statements.

All non-administrative decisions are made by the Trustees jointly. Administrative decisions are delegated to either one of the Trustees alone or to Auriga Services Limited who act on behalf of the Trustees under an approved Scheme of Delegation.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives in setting the grant making policy for the year.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Charity's objects are the relief of financial hardship for persons who are unable to meet the cost of charges for the supply of water and/or sewerage services provided to premises used or occupied by them by Thames Water Limited or have been affected detrimentally and caused undue hardship by the operations of Thames Water Limited or by virtue of their water supply or sewerage connection and who are unable to meet the cost of any financial loss caused thereby.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The donations received by the Trust in the year from Thames Water Limited totalled £654,000. (2018: £654,000 from Thames Water Limited and £18,000 from Auriga Services Limited).

Help for individuals

In pursuit of charitable objectives the Trust was able to award grants toward household costs and bills. It is the policy of the Trustees that where a grant is given to assist with outstanding debt, then wherever possible, it will be paid to the person or organisation owed. The aim of the Trust was to help people out of immediate crisis and financial difficulty and, wherever possible, to encourage future financial stability. During the year the Trust received 3,757 applications and was able to provide further assistance grants to 1,525 individuals or families amounting to £302,036 (2018: £299,740).

Organisational funding

In pursuit of charitable objectives, the Trustees have recognised the value of long term help and support to individuals of professional money advice services, and adopted a policy of making grants available to organisations that provide free debt advice and debt counselling services. £524,577 (2018: £309,520) has been given during the year.

Measurement and the continuing achievement of the Trust's objectives by funded organisations was by a detailed application process, assessment, agreeing outputs and regular monitoring.

Payments out of this fund are generated only after positive vetting of quarterly monitoring forms.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trustees consider the financial position of the Trust satisfactory.

Reserves policy

The general fund of £147,938 (2018: £166,713) held at the year-end is required to meet the future working capital requirement of the Trust. The designated fund balance was £490,307 as at 31 March 2019 (2018: £764,488). This designated fund represents amounts designated by the Trustees to meet the future costs of providing debt counselling. In total the Trust has £638,245 (2018 £931,201) unrestricted funds. Trustees have taken the view that it is appropriate to hold £69,000 (2018: £15,000) to cover contractual and legal obligations and any unforeseen contingencies and will keep this under review.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Unrestricted income fund

The income during the period is as expected.

Organisational funding

An organisation funding fund has been designated by the trustees for grants expected to be payable over the next twelve months and relevant successive years. A transfer of £250,396 (2018: £297,348) was made to the designated fund during the year to 31st March 2019.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The donation to the Trust fund for 2019/20 will be £449,000 (2018/19: £654,000). The Trustees have decided to focus on continuing two very important aspects of its work to relieve poverty and hardship for those who live in the geographical boundary served by Thames Water. The Trust will continue the programme of providing grants to organisations that provide free debt advice and debt counselling services.

TRUSTEES' INDEMNITY

The Company's Articles of Association provide, subject to the provisions of UK legislation, an indemnity for trustees and officers of the Company in respect of liabilities they may incur in the discharge of their duties or in the exercise of their powers, including any liabilities relating to the defence of any proceedings brought against them which relate to anything done or omitted, or alleged to have done or omitted, by them as officers or employees of the Company.

Trustee Indemnity insurance of £5,000,000 was arranged as part of the overall insurance package and included in the total premium of £1,412 (2018: £2,065).

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have considered the risks to which the charity is exposed and taken steps to mitigate those risks.

The Trustees have considered the risk that all donations are received from Thames Water and the issues that will arise from a failure to receive these donations. The risk has been mitigated by Thames Water's confirmation of continued support.

The Trustees review the risks on a quarterly basis. This involves identifying the types of risks the charity faces, prioritising them in terms of potential impact and the likelihood of occurrence, and identifying the means of mitigating those risks. As part of this process, the Trustees work closely with Auriga Services Ltd, who manage the day-to-day operations and assess the adequacy of the charity's current internal controls. Any changes to control systems would be agreed by Trustees.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The company does not enter into any hedging transactions. The company has normal exposure to price, credit, liquidity and cash flow risks arising from trading activities which are only conducted in sterling.

TRUSTEES

The trustees of the charity have held office from 1 April 2018 to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Mrs L Perham
Mrs C E C Drury
Mr P Tutton
Mr A Ullah
Ms G M C Tregoning

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

The Trustees (who are also the Directors of the charity for purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 (FRS102).

UK 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 Company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed; and
- state whether applicable the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of
 Association, and 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 (FRS102) 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 Company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for the system of internal control, safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provision of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by the Trustees on and signed on their behalf by

Linda Perham Trustee

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Date: 6/11/19

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THAMES WATER TRUST FUND

I report on the financial statements of Thames Water Trust Fund for the year ended 31 March 2019, which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity 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 the charity's financial statements 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(b) of the 2011 Act.

This report, including my statement, has been prepared for and only for the charity's trustees as a body. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body for my examination work, for this report, or for the statements I have made.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, 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 financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000, your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales which is one of the listed bodies.

In connection with my examination, which is complete, no matters have come to my attention which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of Thames Water Trust Fund in accordance with section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act
 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter
 considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principals 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).

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THAMES WATER TRUST FUND

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Ian Holder

for and on behalf of Mazars LLP, Chartered Accountants

45 Church Street Birmingham

B3 2RT

Date: 18.11.19

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

For the year ended 31 March 2019 (Unaudited)

	Notes	General fund £	Designated fund £	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME Income from donations Investment income	2	654,000 817	- -	654,000 817	672,000 271
TOTAL INCOME		654,817		654,817	672,271
EXPENDITURE					
Charitable activities					
Grants payable	3	302,036	524,577	826,613	609,260
Other associated expenditure	4	121,160	-	121,160	104,136
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		423,196	524,577	947,773	713,396
NET (EXPENDITURE) / INCOME		231,621	(524,577)	(292,956)	(41,125)
Transfer to Designated Fund		(250,396)	250,396		_
NET MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS		(18,775)	(274,181)	(292,956)	(41,125)
FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD AT 1 April 2018		166,713	764,488	931,201	972,326
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 March 2019		147,938	490,307	638,245	931,201

The Trust's income and expenditure all relate to continuing activities.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those shown above.

The notes on pages 9 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET At 31 March 2019 (Unaudited)

	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		706,534	1,032,551
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING		706,534	1,032,551
DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	5	(68,289)	(101,350)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		638,245	931,201
NET ASSETS		638,245	931,201
FUNDS			
Unrestricted income funds	8	638,245	931,201

For the year ended 31 March 2019, the Company was entitled to the exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The Members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476, and the Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 6/11/9 and signed on their behalf by

Linda Perham

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Trustee

Registered number: 6663601

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2019 (Unaudited)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the 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), the charities SORP (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

The principal source of income comes from donations from Thames Water Plc. Investment income is accounted for when due.

Grants payable

Grants are recognised on award to individuals.

Charitable expenditure

Direct charitable expenditure includes the direct costs of the activities.

Governance Costs

These are costs incurred in connection with the administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Going concern

The Trustees are of a view that there are sufficient reserves to secure the immediate future of the Trust for the next 12 to 18 months and on that basis the charity is a going concern.

Staff costs

The company does not directly employ any staff. Management and administration services are provided by Auriga Services Limited. The Trustees do not receive any remuneration.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash which is available.

Creditors and accruals

Creditors and accruals 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.

Organisational funding designated fund

This reserve represents amounts designated by the Trustees to meet the future costs of providing organisational funding.

Statement of Cash flows exemption

A Statement of Cash Flows has not been produced as the Trust is within the small company and charity thresholds.

Judgements and estimations

Management has not made any significant judgements in the process of applying the accounting policies and there are no areas of estimation that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2019 (Unaudited)

2.	INVESTMENT INCOME	2019 £	2018 £
	Business reserve account interest	817	271
3.	GRANTS PAYABLE Payable to individual beneficiaries or direct to creditors in respect of debts owed.*	2019 £	2018 £
	Council Tax Gas / Electricity Bankruptcy and Debt Relief Orders Household needs	435 12,370 289,231 302,036	10,650 289,034 299,740
	Organisational funding grants paid Total	524,577 826,613	309,520

^{*} It is the policy of the Trustees that wherever possible a beneficiary's grant will be paid direct to the relevant creditor.

4. OTHER ASSOCIATED EXPENDITURE

	2019	2018
	£	£
Support costs		
Insurance	1,412	2,065
Bank charges	701	841
Management charge from Auriga Services Limited	119,860	90,614
Other expenses	274	4,281
Independent examination fees	(1,100)	2,400
Other professional fees recognised in the year	13	3,935
	121,160	104,136
		

The Trustees were reimbursed expenses of £274 in the year (2018: £618). These relate to the reimbursement of travel costs for 2 Trustees (2018: 3).

Trustee Indemnity insurance of £5,000,000 (2018: £5,000,000) was arranged as part of the overall insurance package and included in the total premium of £1,412 (2018: £2,065).

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5.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2019	2018
		£	£
	Trade creditors	45,851	55,958
	Accruals	22,438	45,392
		68,289	101,350

6. TAXATION

The company is exempt for the purposes of income tax and corporation tax under Section 360 ICTA 1970.

7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Auriga Services Limited is the company secretary for the Trust. The company made a donation of £Nil (2018: £18,000) to the Trust during the year. There were no balances receivable from Auriga Services Limited as at 31 March 2019 (2018: £Nil). Auriga Services Limited charged the Trust £119,860 (2018: £90,614) during the year for administrative and professional services. As at 31 March 2019, the Trust owed Auriga Services Limited £23,119 (2018: £26,975).

There were no other related party transactions during the current or prior year.

8. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

		Current assets	Total liabilities	Total net assets
		£	£	£
Un	restricted Funds			
-	General Funds	216,227	(68,289)	147,938
-	Designated Funds	490,307	-	490,307
	-	706,534	(68,289)	638,245

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2019 (Unaudited)

9. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES COMPARATIVES (Including an Income & Expenditure Account) for the year end 31 March 2018

_	Notes	General fund £	Designated fund £	2018 £
INCOME				
Income from donations		672,000	-	672,000
Investment income	2	271		271
TOTAL INCOME		672,271	-	672,271
EXPENDITURE				
Charitable activities				
Grants payable	3	299,740	309,520	609,260
Other associated expenditure	4	104,136		104,136
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		403,876	309,520	713,396
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		268,395	(309,520)	(41,125)
Transfer to organisational funding	5	(297,348)	297,348	-
NET MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS		(28,953)	(12,172)	(41,125)
FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD AT 1 April 2017		195,666	776,660	972,326
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	Council Tax	-	56
	Gas / Electricity	435	-
	Bankruptcy and Debt Relief Orders	12,370	10,650
	Household needs	289,231	289,034
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