

WellBeing (the Health Research Charity for Women and Babies)

Report and Accounts

30 September 1996



WellBeing (the Health Research Charity for Women and Babies)

HONORARY OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Registered No. 824076

Registered Charity No. 239281

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SECRETARY

Mr Paul Barnett

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REPORT OF THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

for the year ended 30 September 1996

1. ACCOUNTS

The Council submits the audited accounts for the year ended 30 September 1996.

2. MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

The members of Council are shown on page one. The following members of Council retired during the year:

The Hon Mrs Susan Baring OBE JP

Mr Paul Hilton MD FRCOG

Mr Roger Peel FRCS(Ed) FRCOG

Mrs Margaret Wynn MA

3. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

WellBeing (the Health Research Charity for Women and Babies), a company limited by guarantee, is a registered charity which undertakes a national appeal under the auspices of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists to promote research into obstetrics and gynaecology and related subjects, and particularly research into the prevention of birth defects. Further details of the activities of the Charity and its financial results are given in the Chairman's Report.

4. FIXED ASSETS

Movements on fixed assets are shown in notes 8 and 9 to the accounts.

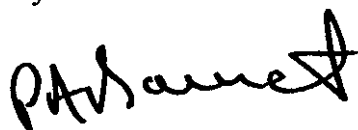
5. NATIONAL BIRTHDAY TRUST FUND

During the year WellBeing continued as the corporate trustee of the National Birthday Trust Fund, a registered charity providing funds for medical research projects and surveys in the field of maternal and child health and welfare. The assets of this Fund are held separately from those of WellBeing and are not consolidated within the WellBeing accounts.

6. AUDITORS

Ernst & Young have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution proposing their re-appointment will be submitted to the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Council



Secretary

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STATEMENT OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ACCOUNTS

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the group and of the surplus or deficit of the group for that period. All Members of Council are directors of the company. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the group will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the group and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS to the members of WellBeing (the Health Research Charity for Women and Babies)

We have audited the accounts on pages 6 to 17 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified to include the revaluation of certain fixed assets, and on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 4 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the group as at 30 September 1996 and of the deficit of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Ernst & Young
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
London

6 May 1997



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CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

for the year ended 30 September 1996

	Notes	1996 £	1995 £
INCOME	5		
Donations		705,728	909,915
Net income from events and promotions	6	151,324	150,066
Income from local branches		238,542	221,926
Other interest receivable		36,907	61,672
Dividends receivable		95,309	72,339
Rents receivable		80,470	80,680
WellBeing of Women book sales		28,635	95,673
Christmas card and miscellaneous sales		20,135	39,611
Other Income		10,000	-
		<u>1,367,050</u>	<u>1,631,882</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Staff costs	7	170,403	155,297
Printing, stationery and advertising		23,246	19,027
Information and promotion		31,697	79,512
Accommodation expenses and administration charge		38,985	40,550
Travel expenses		11,789	9,824
Telephone and postage		24,692	21,591
Depreciation of fixed assets		5,461	5,499
Audit fee		5,600	5,300
Other expenses		15,009	12,023
Loss on disposals of fixed assets		-	207
Cost of sales - WellBeing of Women books		24,077	69,475
Cost of sales - cards and miscellaneous		29,766	36,274
Professional fees		25,401	22,170
		<u>406,126</u>	<u>476,749</u>
GRANT EXPENDITURE IN YEAR		<u>1,432,625</u>	<u>1,160,991</u>
NET DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR		(471,701)	(5,858)

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

for the year ended 30 September 1996

	1996 £	1995 £
DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR BROUGHT FORWARD	(471,701)	(5,858)
GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENT ASSETS		
Revaluation of properties	-	5,000
Net investment gains	197,079	234,881
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	(274,622)	234,023
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,313,065	1,079,042
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER	1,038,443	1,313,065

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

at 30 September 1996

	Notes	1996 £	1995 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	8	10,401	11,265
Investments	9	2,706,466	3,368,519
		<u>2,716,867</u>	<u>3,379,784</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	10	84,249	97,057
Debtors and prepayments	11	345,446	271,490
Cash at bank and in hand		360,877	128,267
		<u>790,572</u>	<u>496,814</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	12	1,941,464	2,005,734
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(1,150,892)</u>	<u>(1,508,920)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,565,975	1,870,864
CREDITORS: grants falling due in more than one year		<u>527,532</u>	<u>557,799</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES	13	<u>1,038,443</u>	<u>1,313,065</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Accumulated funds	13	<u>1,038,443</u>	<u>1,313,065</u>

*James
Graham*
23rd April 1997

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BALANCE SHEET

at 30 September 1996

	Notes	1996 £	1995 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	8	10,401	11,265
Investments	9	1,876,566	2,538,619
		<u>1,886,967</u>	<u>2,549,884</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and prepayments	11	1,119,154	1,027,737
Cash at bank and in hand		293,125	110,065
		<u>1,412,279</u>	<u>1,137,802</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	12	1,792,994	1,876,538
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(380,715)</u>	<u>(738,736)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,506,252	1,811,148
CREDITORS - grants falling due in more than one year		527,532	557,799
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES	13	<u>978,720</u>	<u>1,253,349</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Accumulated funds	13	<u>978,720</u>	<u>1,253,349</u>

Janet
John
23rd April 1997

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 30 September 1996

1. CONSTITUTION

WellBeing, a registered charity, is a company limited by guarantee, not having a share capital. Each of the members of the company is liable to contribute £1 towards the liabilities of the company in the event of liquidation.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of certain fixed assets

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated accounts incorporate the accounts of the company and its subsidiary for the year ended 30 September 1996.

Depreciation

The cost of tangible fixed assets is depreciated by equal annual instalments over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Office equipment - 5 years

Computer equipment - 5 years

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Income

Donations and income from local branches are accounted for as received at WellBeing's office. All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Research grant expenditure

Medical research grants payable out of WellBeing's own resources are charged to the income and expenditure account in the period in which the grant commitment is made. Grants are regarded as committed when the recommendations of the Research Advisory Committee are formally approved by the WellBeing Council.

The grant expense of the WellBeing Oncology Research Centre is based on the costs incurred by that centre during the accounting period.

Pension costs

The cost of providing pension benefits is charged to the income and expenditure account over the period benefiting from the employee services.

Investment properties

Investment properties are included in the accounts at their open market value at the balance sheet date and are not depreciated. Although the Companies Act would normally require the systematic annual depreciation of fixed assets, the Members of Council believe that this policy of not providing

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depreciation is necessary in order for the accounts to give a true and fair view, since the current value of investment properties, and changes in that current value, are of prime importance rather than a calculation of systematic depreciation. Depreciation is only one of the many factors reflected in the annual valuation, and the amount which might otherwise have been shown cannot be separately identified or quantified.

Listed investments

Listed investments are included in fixed assets at their mid-market value at the balance sheet date.

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3. DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR

In accordance with the exemptions allowed by Section 230 (3) of the Companies Act 1985, the company has not presented its own income and expenditure account. The deficit for the year of £471,708 (1995 - deficit £10,837) has been dealt with in the accounts of the company.

4. EMOLUMENTS OF DIRECTORS

All Council members are directors of WellBeing and received no emoluments for their services as directors.

5. INCOME

WellBeing receives a significant proportion of its income as donations from WellBeing branches and from other voluntary sources. The amount of such income is not known to WellBeing until it is received at WellBeing's office. Accordingly, amounts held by WellBeing branches and others for remittance to WellBeing are not included in the accounts until paid. All income arises from the continuing operations of the company.

6. NET INCOME FROM EVENTS AND PROMOTIONS

	1996 £	1995 £
Gross income from events and promotions	367,252	236,780
Cost of events and promotions (including publicity)	215,928	86,714
Net income from events and promotions	<u>151,324</u>	<u>150,066</u>

7. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

The average number of persons employed by the group during the year was 7 (1995 - 7).

	1996 £	1995 £
Wages and salaries	173,550	160,140
Social security costs	15,761	14,453
Pension costs	10,452	8,796
Subcontracted services	6,416	10,500
	<u>206,179</u>	<u>193,889</u>

The staff costs have been apportioned as £170,403 (1995 - £155,297) to administration, and advertising and £35,776 (1995 - £38,592) directly to events and promotions.

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8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group and Company

	<i>Office equipment £</i>	<i>Computer equipment £</i>	<i>Total £</i>
Cost:			
At 1 October 1995	25,386	25,348	50,734
Additions	-	4,597	4,597
At 30 September 1996	25,386	29,945	55,331
Depreciation:			
At 1 October 1995	24,496	14,973	39,469
Charged in the year	889	4,572	5,461
At 30 September 1996	25,385	19,545	44,930
Net book amounts:			
At 30 September 1996	1	10,400	10,401
At 1 October 1995	890	10,375	11,265

9. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	<i>1996 £</i>	<i>Group 1995 £</i>	<i>1996 £</i>	<i>Company 1995 £</i>
Freehold property at market value	830,000	830,000	-	-
Investments at market value	1,876,466	2,538,519	1,876,466	2,538,519
	2,706,466	3,368,519	1,876,466	2,538,519
Shares in subsidiary at cost	-	-	100	100
Total investments	2,706,466	3,368,519	1,876,566	2,538,619

The company's wholly owned subsidiary is WellBeing Trading Limited which was registered in England and Wales to undertake WellBeing's trading activities and is empowered by its articles to covenant income to WellBeing.

The freehold property has been valued by the directors of WellBeing Trading Limited at its open market value.

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9. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (continued)

The movements on investment properties in the year were as follows:

	1996 £	1995 £
Market value at 1 October	830,000	825,000
Revaluation	-	5,000
Market value at 30 September	<u>830,000</u>	<u>830,000</u>

The movements on listed investments during the year were as follows:

	1996 £	1995 £
Market value at 1 October	2,538,519	2,735,362
Withdrawals during the year	(846,134)	(416,789)
Administration charges	(12,998)	(14,935)
Net investment gains	197,079	234,881
Market value at 30 September	<u>1,876,466</u>	<u>2,538,519</u>

The cost of the listed investments at 30 September 1996 was £1,272,495 (1995 - £1,763,971). The market value of the listed investments at 30 September 1996 includes listed investments £1,650,664 (1995 - £2,272,690) and cash £225,802 (1995 - £265,829).

10. STOCKS

	1996 £	1995 £
Cards and sundries for sale	21,100	29,444
WellBeing of Women manuals and paperbacks	63,149	67,613
	<u>84,249</u>	<u>97,057</u>

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In the opinion of the Members of Council the replacement cost of the above stock does not differ materially from the balance sheet value.

11. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	<i>1996</i>	<i>Group</i> <i>1995</i>	<i>1996</i>	<i>Company</i> <i>1995</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Prepayments and accrued income	176,890	90,993	143,887	90,993
Amount owed by subsidiary	—	—	835,816	839,006
Taxation recoverable	38,944	-	38,929	-
Other debtors	129,612	180,497	100,522	97,738
	<u>345,446</u>	<u>271,490</u>	<u>1,119,154</u>	<u>1,027,737</u>

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12. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	1996	Group 1995	1996	Company 1995
	£	£	£	£
Bank overdraft	64,899	18,070	-	-
Trade creditors	39,516	18,161	-	-
Research grants payable	1,681,595	1,760,937	1,681,595	1,760,937
Accruals and deferred income	11,326	149,164	6,826	56,199
Other creditors	144,128	59,402	104,573	59,402
	<u>1,941,464</u>	<u>2,005,734</u>	<u>1,792,994</u>	<u>1,876,538</u>

13. ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Grants are committed annually in March of each year. The accumulated funds at 30 September 1996, including the net deficit for the year then ended, are available for future grant commitments to be approved in March 1997.

The movements in accumulated funds in the company comprises:

	1996 £	1995 £
Balance brought forward	1,253,349	1,029,305
Deficit for the year	(471,708)	(10,837)
Net surplus on revaluation of investments	197,079	234,881
Balance at 30 September	<u>978,720</u>	<u>1,253,349</u>

14. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

WellBeing has undertaken to provide unit funding for the WellBeing Oncology Research Centre. The total amount committed is £750,000 payable over 5 years from October 1994. In the year to 30 September 1996 the total amount charged as grants for the Oncology Unit was £178,908 (1995 - £23,998).

15. PENSION COSTS

WellBeing staff are entitled to become members of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Pension Scheme which provides for either defined contributions or defined benefits based on final pay, dependent on the category of the member. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the College and are invested with Baillie Gifford & Co and London and Manchester (Managed Funds) Ltd.

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The pension cost relating to the scheme is assessed in accordance with the advice of a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the attained age method. The most recent valuation was at 1 April 1996. It was assumed that the return on the scheme's investments would be 9% per annum, salaries would increase at an average of 7% per annum (inclusive of an allowance for promotional increases), and future pensions would increase at 5% per annum on the excess over the GMP. The market value of the scheme's assets as at 1 April 1996 was £2,479,000. This value would have provided 115.8% of accrued liabilities calculated using pensionable salaries at 1 April 1996 and service to that date.