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Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2014-

Charity no: 265137 Company no: 1084439





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### Legal and administrative information

#### **Company Number**

01084439

(England and Wales)

#### **Charity Number**

265137

#### **Housing Association Number**

H0213

#### **Directors / Trustees**

P L Rastall

(Chairman)

N. J. Meldrum

(Treasurer)

S E Butler

Butler

K M Charles

M G Coultrup

C H Quinton

E A Moore

J Bourne

### **Company Secretary**

M G Coultrup

#### **Registered Office**

Tannerswood, 11 Greenways, Abbots Langley, Watford, Herts. WD5 0EU

#### **Independent Accountants**

Campbell Wilson ACA ATII

Howard Wilson, 36 Crown Rise, Watford, Herts. WD25 0NE

#### **Annual Report of the Trustees**

The Trustees present their annual report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014.

#### Structure, governance and management

The company is limited by guarantee, is a registered charity (no: 265137), is registered under the Housing Act 1985 (no: H0213) and is wholly engaged in housing activities as defined by the Act. The charity's board of Trustees are legally responsible for running the organisation, their details are shown on the Legal and Administration page to these financial statements.

Trustees are recruited, inducted and trained as and when required. All current trustees are eligible for re-appointment at the next AGM.

#### Objectives and activities

The charity was established for the primary objects of:

- a) the relief and care of elderly persons of all classes suffering from the disabilities of old age or otherwise in need;
- b) the spreading of Christian principles to all human relationships and application of humanitarian aims and to promote the relief of the elderly; and
- c) to provide further education in the sphere of voluntary work, social work and similar activities so as to inculcate the principles of good citizenship.

#### Achievements and performance

The principal activity of the charity continues to be that of a registered social landlord. The charity operated throughout the year from one location, Tannerswood.

The average number of units available in Tannerswood during the year was 10 (2013: 10.9).

#### Financial review

The income and expenditure of the charity during the year are set out in the Income and Expenditure Account page to these financial statements.

The charity recorded a deficit for the year of £112,971 (2013: £10,503 deficit) after incurring major building refurbishment costs of £119,200.

Two separate major refurbishments have been undertaken during the year:

- £110,984 has been incurred in converting the unused, former residential, housekeeper's flat into two large suites each suitable for double occupancy by elderly persons. The project also necessitated some changes to the internal arrangements of the house in order to accommodate additional residents and the opportunity was taken to enhance facilities to two adjacent units. By the year end the project was nearing completion and by the end of June 2014 both additional units were occupied by new residents.
- In addition, a further £8,216 was spent on significant enhancements to another unit that had become vacant during the year and this unit has also attracted a new resident.

The works undertaken have been funded in part from accumulated reserves and by an additional bank loan of £55,000 (repayable over 7 years).

The Trustees are confident that with these enhancements, the Charity is well placed to continue to provide accommodation that will be attractive to new residents and result in a sound financial future for the Society.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The charity has an obligation to provide on a continuing basis for the repairs and maintenance of the property based on a planned programme of works including major repairs for which Social Housing Grant ("SHG") will not be claimed. Transfers to and from these reserves are made at the discretion of the Board.

The level of reserves held at 31 March 2014 is shown on the Balance Sheet. The Trustees consider the level of reserves, whilst lower than previous years, to be at an acceptable level and are keen to maintain the status quo.

#### **Investment Powers**

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the charity has the power to make any investment that the Trustees see fit.

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#### **Annual Report of the Trustees**

#### **Directors and Trustees**

The directors of the charitable company ('the charity') are its Trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are referred to as the Trustees. A list of the Trustees are given on the Legal and Administration page to the financial statements. All of the Trustees named on that page served during the year. The board of Trustees has the power to appoint additional Trustees as it sees fit. Those Trustees appointed during the period plus one third of the existing Trustees must retire by rotation at the next Annual General Meeting. All retiring Trustees are eligible for re-election.

#### Remuneration

No remuneration is payable to the Trustees.

#### Risk review

Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions and projects and to ensure consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the charity. These procedures will be periodically reviewed to ensure that they still meet the needs of the charity. The Trustees have conducted their own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have established systems to mitigate those risks. These risks include damage to reputation, criminal acts, data loss, health and safety, and change to funding sources.

#### Employee involvement and employment of the disabled

The Trustees wish to record thanks to all the staff who have contributed to the success of the charity during the year under review.

The charitable company employs one part-time cook with severe hearing disability. This presents no problems in the place of work and the situation is satisfactory for all concerned.

#### Volunteers

The Trustees also wish to record their heartfelt thanks to the many volunteers without whom the charity would be unable to maintain the quality of service at the level of expenditure that is currently enjoyed.

#### Independent Examiner

A resolution will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting that Howard Wilson, Chartered Accountants, be reappointed as Independent Examiner for the ensuing year.

By order of the Trustees

M G Coultrup Trustee

Date: 17 July 2014

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#### Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The Trustees, who are also the directors of The Abbeyfield Abbots Langley Society Limited for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The registered social housing legislation requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit for that year.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Part 111 of Schedule 1 to the Housing Act 1996 and the Accounting Requirements for Registered Social Landlords general Determination 2006 and the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for

In so far as the Trustees are aware, there is no relevant accounting information (information needed by the charity's Accountants in connection with preparing their report) of which the charity's Accountants are unaware, and each Trustee has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as Trustees in order to make themselves aware of any relevant accounting information and to establish that the charity's Accountants are aware of that information.

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# Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of The Abbeyfield Abbots Langley Society Limited (A Company Limited by Guarantee)

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2014, which are set out on pages 5 to 13.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees, who are also the directors of The Abbeyfield Abbots Langley Society Limited 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:

- (i) examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) 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
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### 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 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:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of paragraph 16 of Schedule 1 to the Housing Act 1996 and the Accounting Requirements for Registered Social Landlords General determination 2006, 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

(b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Campbell Wilson ACA ATII

Howard Wilson, 36 Crown Rise, Watford, Herts. WD25 ONE

Date: 17 July 2014

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# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

|   | Notes | General<br>Funds | Restricted<br>Funds | 2014      | 2013      |
|---|-------|------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
|   |       |                  |                     | 3         | £         |
| Turnover  | 3     | 90,585           | -                   | 90,585    | 78,128    |
| Direct Costs                                    |       | -                | -                   | •         | •         |
| Gross surplus                                   |       | 90,585           | -                   | 90,585    | 78,128    |
| Operating costs                                 | 4     | 205,712          | -                   | 205,712   | 90,005    |
| Other income                                    |       | 2,506            | -                   | 2,506     | 1,319     |
| Operating deficit                               |       | (112,621)        | -                   | (112,621) | (10,558)  |
| Other interest receivable                       | 5     | 41               | -                   | 41        | 87        |
| Interest payable                                |       | (390)            | -                   | (390)     | (33)      |
| Deficit on ordinary activities before transfers |       | (112,971)        | -                   | (112,971) | (10,503)  |
| Deficit for the year                            | 6     | (112,971)        | -                   | (112,971) | (10,503)  |
| Retained reserves brought forward               |       | 209,133          | 640                 | 209,773   | 220,276   |
| Retained reserves carried forward               | 12    | £ 96,162         | £ 640               | £ 96,802  | £ 209,773 |

The income and expenditure account includes all gains and deficits recognised in the year.

All turnover and surpluses derive from continuing activities.

#### **BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2014**

|   | Notes |    | 2014     |   | 2013      |
|---|-------|----|----------|---|-----------|
| Fixed Assets  | :     |    |          |   |           |
| Housing properties                                      | 8     |    | 411,617  |   | 415,765   |
| Social Housing Grant                                    |       | (: | 279,924) |   | (279,924) |
| Net book value of housing properties                    |       |    | 131,693  |   | 135,841   |
| Other fixed assets                                      | 8     |    | 4,832    |   | 6,041     |
| Total fixed assets                                      |       |    | 136,525  |   | 141,882   |
| Current Assets  |       |    |          |   |           |
| Debtors   | 9     |    | 1,840    |   | 1,640     |
| Cash at bank and in hand                                |       |    | 33,910   |   | 74,155    |
| Total current assets                                    |       |    | 35,750   |   | 75,794    |
| Liabilities   |       |    |          |   |           |
| Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year          | 10    |    | 26,450   |   | 5,866     |
| Net current assets                                      |       |    | 9,300    |   | 69,929    |
| Total assets less current liabilities                   |       |    | 145,825  |   | 211,811   |
| Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year | 11    |    | 49,023   |   | 2,038     |
| Net assets  |       | £  | 96,802   | £ | 209,773   |
| FUNDS   |       |    |          |   |           |
| Restricted reserve                                      | 12    | •  | 640      |   | 640       |
| Revenue reserve   | 12    |    | 96,162   |   | 209,133   |
|   |       | £  | 96,802   | £ | 209,773   |

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2014. No member of the company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 476, requiring an audit of these financial statements.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and if its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and with the requirements of paragraph 16 of Schedule 1 to the Housing Act and the Accounting Requirements for Registered Social Landlords General Determination 2006 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

The unaudtied financial statements, comprising of the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and Related Notes, were approved by the trustees on 17 July 2014 and signed on their behalf by:

P L Rastall

Trustee

M G Coultrup

Trustee

Company Registration No: 1084439

#### 1 COMPANY STATUS AND MEMBERS LIABILITY

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and not having any share capital. The extent of the liability of the members of the company on a winding up is limited to a maximum of one pound each. The company is also a registered charity.

#### 2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charitable company's financial statements.

#### **Accounting Convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable financial reporting standards, and comply with the Companies Act 2006, Housing Act 1996, the Accounting Requirements for Registered Social Landlords General Determination 2006 and the Statements of Recommended Practice: Accounting by Registered Social Housing Providers (update 2010) and with the Accounting Direction for private registered providers of social housing in England 2012.

The charitable company has taken advantage of the exemptions in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

The charitable company has followed the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (Effective April 2008).

#### Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared under the going concern principle which assumes that the charitable company will continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

#### **Housing Association Grants**

Housing Association Grants and Social Housing Grants (SHG) are made by the Housing Corporation and are utilised to reduce the amount of mortgage loan in respect of an approved scheme. The grants are paid direct to the lending authority and are reflected in the financial statements of the Charitable Company only when the payment has been made and the relevant mortgage loan reduced, The cost of the housing property is reduced by the amount of the grant.

#### SHG

Social Housing Grant (SHG) is receivable against the capital cost of housing properties. In the event of the sale of the property, SHG is repayable unless the Housing Corporation permits either abatement or the recycling of funds against the cost of another society property.

#### **Incoming Resources**

The charitable company's policy is to recognise all incoming resources on a receivable basis.

Donations are recognised in the financial statements when the charity becomes beneficially entitled to the income. Where claimable, this also includes Gift Aid reclaimed.

The value of services provided by the volunteers is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities ("SOFA").

#### **Grants Receivable**

Grants receivable are credited to the SOFA in the year for which they are received. Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which it has been received.

#### Resources Expended

Resources expended are included in the SOFA on an accruals basis inclusive of VAT.

#### **Unrestricted Funds**

Unrestricted Funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes.

#### 2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Restricted Funds**

Restricted funds are funds received which can only be used for the specific purpose as laid out by the donor. Expenditure which meets this criteria is identified to the fund, together with a fair allocation of overhead costs. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the note to the financial statements.

#### **Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

Depreciation is calculated on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected life as follows:

Freehold Land & Buildings

over 50 years

Furniture and Equipment

20% Reducing Balance

The Trustees have a policy of charging individual items costing less than £1,000 directly to the SOFA in the year of purchase.

#### Taxation

The activities of The Abbeyfield Abbots Langley Society Limited are exempt from Corporation Tax to the extent that they are applied to the organisation's charitable objects.

The charitable company is not registered for VAT. Accordingly, no VAT is charged to residents and all expenditure in the financial statements includes the relevant VAT.

#### Pension costs

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charitable company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the SOFA.

| 3 | TURNOVER Income from lettings:   |              |            | 2014<br>£           | 2013<br>£          |
|---|--|--------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------|
|   | Gross rents [10 units (2013: 10.9 units)] Less: Rent losses from voids |              |            | 102,310<br>(11,725) | 96,140<br>(18,012) |
|   |  |              | -          | 90,585              | 78,128             |
|   | Other income:  |              |            |                     |                    |
|   | Donations Received   |              |            | 2,002               | 1,036              |
|   | Other income   |              |            | 504                 | 283                |
|   |  |              |            | 93,091              | 79,447             |
| 4 | OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES   | Unrestricted | Restricted |                     |                    |
|   |  | Funds        | Funds      | 2014                | 2013               |
|   |  | £            | £          | 3                   | £                  |
|   | Wages and Salaries   | 38,201       | -          | 38,201              | 35,167             |
|   | Other Staff Costs  | 3,733        | -          | 3,733               | 4,234              |
|   | Utilities  | 7,252        | -          | 7,252               | 6,757              |
|   | Premises and Insurance   | 3,393        | -          | 3,393               | 3,236              |
|   | Housekeeping   | 14,028       | -          | 14,028              | 12,263             |
|   | General Administration Costs   | 5,170        | -          | 5,170               | 4,648              |
|   | Maintenance and Renewals   | 125,094      | -          | 125,094             | 7,712              |
|   | Affiliation Fee  | 2,740        | -          | 2,740               | 2,917              |
|   | Depreciation   | 5,357        | -          | 5,357               | 5,331              |
|   | CIP Write Off  | •            | -          | -                   | 7,740              |
|   | Other costs  | 744          | -          | 744                 | -                  |
|   |  | 205,712      | -          | 205,712             | 90,005             |

| 5 | INVESTMENT INCOME  | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2014<br>£                    | 2013<br>£                   |
|---|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | Interest on cash deposits  | 41                         | -                        | 41                           | 87                          |
| 6 | OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) The operating surplus/(deficit) for the period is stated after | r the following:           |                          | 2014<br>£                    | 2013<br>£                   |
|   | Independent Examiners' remuneration Depreciation   |                            |                          | 1,440<br>5,357               | 1,200<br>5,331              |
| 7 | STAFF COSTS, NUMBERS AND TRUSTEES REMUNE   | RATION                     |                          | 2014<br>£                    | 2013<br>£                   |
|   | Salaries Social security costs Pension costs   |                            |                          | 37,601<br>600<br>-<br>38,201 | 35,077<br>90<br>-<br>35,167 |

None of the employees earned over £60,000 during the period.

The average weekly number of part-time staff employed by the charitable company during the year was as follows:

Direct charitable work 2014 2013

No remuneration or expenses, either directly or indirectly out of the funds of the charitable company, were paid or was payable to trustees or any person(s) known to be connected with them during the period (2013: £nil).

| 8 | TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS | Freehold Land<br>& Buildings<br>£ | Assets under construction £ | Furniture and<br>Equipment<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------|
|   | Cost                  |                                   |                             |                                 |            |
|   | At 01 April 2013      | 487,340                           | -                           | 48,023                          | 535,363    |
|   | Additions             | •                                 | -                           | •                               | •          |
|   | At 31 March 2014      | 487,340                           | •                           | 48,023                          | 535,363    |
|   | Depreciation          |                                   |                             |                                 |            |
|   | At 01 April 2013      | 71,575                            | -                           | 41,982                          | 113,558    |
|   | Charge for the year   | 4,148                             | •                           | 1,209                           | 5,357      |
|   | At 31 March 2014      | 75,723                            | •                           | 43,191                          | 118,915    |
|   | Net book value        |                                   |                             |                                 |            |
|   | At 31 March 2014      | 411,617<br>                       |                             | 4,832                           | 416,449    |
|   | At 31 March 2013      | 415,765                           | -                           | 6,041                           | 421,806    |
|   |                       |                                   |                             |                                 |            |

| 9 DEBTORS                             | 2014<br>£ | 2013<br>£       |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Prepayments and accrued income        | 1,840     | 1,640<br>====== |
| 10 CREDITORS                          | 2014      | 2013            |
| Amounts falling due within one year   | £         | £               |
| Bank loans and overdraft              | 8,180     | 197             |
| Other creditors                       | 2,213     | 3,302           |
| Other taxes and social security costs | 854       | 657             |
| Accruals                              | 15,202    | 1,710           |
|                                       | 26,450    | 5,866           |
| 11 CREDITORS                          | 2014      | 2013            |
| Amounts falling due after one year    | £         | £               |
| Bank loans                            | 49,023    | 2,038           |
| Borrowings are repayable as follows:  |           |                 |
| Bank loans                            |           |                 |
| Between one and two years             | 8,179     | 197             |
| Between two and five years            | 24,538    | 592             |
| After five years                      | 16,306    | 1,249           |
|                                       | 49,023    | 2,038           |
| On demand or within one year          | 8,180     | 197             |
|                                       | 57,203    | 2,235           |

The charity has two loans as follows:

- a) £55,000 from Barclays Bank, repayable over 25 years with interest charged at 0.875% above the base rate, commencing August 1999. The loan is secured by a fixed charge on the Society land including the property.
- b) £55,000 from Barclays Bank, repayable over 7 years with interest charged at 5.76% per annum, commencing February 2014. The loan is secured by a fixed charge on the Society land including property.

| 12 | STATEMENT OF FUNDS       | At 01 April<br>2013<br>£ | Income<br>£ | Expenditure<br>£ | Transfers<br>£ | At 31 March<br>2014<br>£ |
|----|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
|    | Unrestricted Funds       | 209,133                  | 93,132      | 206,102          | -              | 96,162                   |
|    | Total unrestricted funds | 209,133                  | 93,132      | 206,102          | ·              | 96,162                   |
|    | Restricted Funds         |                          |             |                  |                |                          |
|    | Shrub Fund               | 640                      | •           |                  |                | 640                      |
|    | Total funds              | 209,773                  | 93,132      | 206,102          | -              | 96,802                   |

#### Restricted funds

The Shrub fund was established following the donation by a resident. The donation was to be made available towards the maintenance of the shrubs on the site.

| Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£                                | Total<br>£   |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| 136,525                    | -   | 136,525  |
| 35,110                     | 640   | 35,750   |
| (26,450)                   | -   | (26,450)   |
| (49,023)                   | -   | (49,023)   |
| 96,162                     | 640   | 96,802   |
|                            | funds<br>£<br>136,525<br>35,110<br>(26,450)<br>(49,023) | funds     Funds       £     £       136,525     -       35,110     640       (26,450)     -       (49,023)     - |

#### 14 PENSION COSTS

The charitable company operates a defined pension scheme for the benefit of the employees. The scheme and its assets are held by and administered by independent managers.

The contributions charged to the SOFA during the period are £nil (2013: £nil)