# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014 FOR

THE ABBEYFIELD BEDFORD SOCIETY LIMITED LIMITED BY GUARANTEE



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### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

From a review of the minutes of the trustee meetings in 2014, it is apparent that it has been a very challenging year for the Society. The last twelve months have seen no let-up in the pressures that have been put upon the trustees in their endeavours to correctly oversee the many varied aspects of the Society, whilst trying to maintain and improve the standard of the service provided to our residents.

The government's policy of providing "care in the community" for elderly people, helping individuals to live in their homes for as long as possible, with care being brought to them as and when they need it, has continued to affect the number of individuals moving into our two houses. Equally, some of the rooms we have had available are now viewed by potential residents as "too small" - especially when someone is down-sizing from a much larger dwelling.

To counter some of these external factors, and after many years of deliberation, in June 2014 the trustees introduced "care" at Darell Jeffreys House, (DJ House) enabling new and existing residents to purchase "ad-hoc" and "full time" care in addition to their independent living accommodation. This assurance has brought extra peace of mind to our residents as they no longer need to move home to obtain care elsewhere. It has also broadened our marketing base as we are now able to provide a home for a wider variety of elderly individuals, not only for those requiring independent living accommodation but also for those needing additional levels of care as well.

Whilst the "care" provision at DJ House is at an early stage, its introduction has been very positively received by all existing and new residents, as well as the staff at Darell Jeffreys House. Unfortunately it has had a very severe effect on our finances as the number of residents buying into the full care provision has been smaller than that required to ensure it is financially viable. The long term implications of this are currently being assessed.

In addition to the demands associated with the introduction of "care" at DJ House there have been many other challenges over the past twelve months. In particular staff sickness and a reduction in staff levels in both houses have been of considerable concern. Although agency staff has been employed at both houses to ensure our residents have been provided with an appropriate service, other staff have been working, "beyond the call of duty". Thanks must therefore go to those who have put in a considerable number of additional hours throughout the year, ensuring that our residents' welfare has not been compromised.

2014 saw the departure of Hilary O'Dell as a trustee, and the arrival of Kevin Singleton - who will be taking over as chairman at the upcoming AGM in April. My thanks go to both of them, as well as all other trustees, for their personal support and ongoing commitment to the Society. With the trusteeship due to reduce to four at the AGM, there is an urgent need to attract new trustees, especially ones with skills relating to healthcare / welfare, health and safety legislation, HR legislation, marketing and publicity. An increased number of volunteers at both houses in the year ahead would also assist the Society greatly.

Against this background the Trustees have been considering how best to restore the Society to its former strength and we are currently talking to The Abbeyfield Society (TAS) about how they may be able to assist us.

I wish Kevin Singleton every success as the new Chairman from the AGM in April 2015, and trust he will have the support of all existing and prospective trustees, staff, residents and volunteers.

John Creasey - Chairman.

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2014. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

#### Registered Company number

01092261 (England and Wales)

#### Registered Charity number

265509

#### Registered office

18 Linden Road Bedford

#### **Trustees**

MK40 2DA

J Creasey

Chairman

Mrs A Samain R Huddart

N Ashton

T Otley

J Chubb

Honorary Treasurer - resigned 18.7.14

Mrs H O'Dell K Singleton

- appointed 8.1.14

#### **Company Secretary**

N Ashton

#### Auditors

80K Limited

45 Day's Lane

Biddenham

Bedford

Bedfordshire

**MK40 4AE** 

#### **Bankers**

Barclays Bank Plc

669 Midsummer Boulevard

Central Milton Keynes

#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Governing document

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

#### Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

#### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of The Abbeyfield Bedford Society Limited limited by guarantee for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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 which 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 company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

#### **AUDITORS**

Treasey - Trustee

The auditors, 80K Limited, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on by March 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

# REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ABBEYFIELD BEDFORD SOCIETY LIMITED LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

We have audited the financial statements of The Abbeyfield Bedford Society Limited limited by guarantee for the year ended 30 September 2014 on pages five to twelve. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities).

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under Section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees Responsibilities set out on page three, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

The trustees have elected for the financial statements to be audited in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 rather than the Companies Act 2006. Accordingly we have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under Section 154 of that Act.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Chairman's Report and the Report of the Trustees to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### Depreciation of housing land and buildings

As noted in the accounting policy for tangible fixed assets, no depreciation has been provided in the financial statements on Housing land and buildings, which constitutes a departure from International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- the charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

80K Limited

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

45 Day's Lane

Biddenham

Bedford

Bedfordshire

**MK40 4AE** 

Date: 16th Mark 2015

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

		2014	2013
		Unrestricted	Total funds
		funds	
	Notes	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES		·	
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Activities for generating funds	2	245,041	241,610
Investment income	3	29,738	30,703
Other incoming resources		250	110
Total incoming resources		275,029	272,423
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Costs of generating funds			
Costs of generating voluntary income	4	308,533	285,797
Governance costs	6	12,534	10,850
Total resources expended		321,067	296,647
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(46,038)	(24,224)
TET INCOMING/(GOTGOING) RESOURCES		(10,000)	(,)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		1,466,493	1,490,717
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,420,455	1,466,493

#### BALANCE SHEET AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

		2014 Unrestricted funds	2013 Total funds
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	10	1,402,957	1,391,715
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank	11	4,525 47,573	1,552 92,415
		52,098	93,967
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	12	(34,600)	(19,189)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		17,498	74,778
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,420,455	1,466,493
NET ASSETS		1,420,455	1,466,493
FUNDS Unrestricted funds	13	1,420,455	1,466,493
TOTAL FUNDS		1,420,455	1,466,493

### BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2014.

The members have not deposited notice, pursuant to Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 requiring an audit of these financial statements.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

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

These financial statements have been audited under the requirements of Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 16 March 2015 and were signed on its behalf by:

easey -Trustee

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### General

The Abbeyfield Bedford Society Limited is registered as a social landlord with the Homes and Communities Agency with number H1087 and is a registered charity with the Charity Commission with number 265509.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice issued by the National Federation of Housing Associations, the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting by Registered Social Landlords (Update 2005) and with the Accounting Requirements for Registered Social Landlords General Determination 2006.

#### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

#### **Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Monetary donations to the Society are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities on a receipts basis and transferred annually to the general charitable reserve.

#### Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### Allocation and apportionment of costs

Expenses are allocated to cost of generating funds, charitable activities and governance on the basis of proportion of time or other relevant factors attributable to those activities.

#### Tangible fixed assets

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

Land and buildings - not provided Plant and machinery etc. - 25% on cost

Housing land and buildings are stated at cost. The cost is the purchase price plus any incidental costs of acquisition.

No depreciation is charged on housing properties because they are maintained in a state of repair such that the estimated residual value of land and buildings at the balance sheet date is not less than their net book value. The annual charge for depreciation would therefore be immaterial.

Assets costing less than £1,000 are written off to revenue in the year in which the expenditure is incurred.

It is the executive committee's opinion that amounts will be required for future cyclical and major repairs in the medium and long term, based on the Society's obligation to carry out such works on a continuing basis founded on planned programmes of work for which Social Housing Grants would not be available. Therefore amounts have been set aside as designated reserves. Amounts similar to that set aside in previous years will continue to be set aside as designated reserves in the future.

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly no VAT is charged to residents and expenditure includes the relevant amount of VAT incurred.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. They include the funds which the Trustees have designated for specific purposes and are consequently known as designated funds.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Designated reserves are part of unrestricted reserves and are those which have been earmarked by the Trustees for a particular purpose. Such designations may be reversed by future Trustee decisions. Expenditure cannot be directly set against designated reserves but is taken through the statement of financial activities and then a transfer made from designated reserves as appropriate.

#### 2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	Fundraising events Income from lettings and care service charges	2014 £ 180 244,861 245,041	2013 £ 241,610 241,610
3.	INVESTMENT INCOME		
	Deposit account interest Net rental income	2014 £ 930 28,808 29,738	2013 £ 1,187 29,516 30,703
4.	COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY INCOME		
	Depreciation Support costs	2014 £ 4,648 303,885 308,533	2013 £ 4,439 281,358

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

#### 5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Costs of generating voluntary income	₹	Management £ 303,885
6.	GOVERNANCE COSTS		
	Legal & professional charges Auditors' remuneration Membership fee - The Abbeyfield Society	2014 £ 1,955 3,360 7,219	2013 £ 481 3,360 7,009 10,850
7.	NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		
	Net resources are stated after charging/(crediting):		
	Auditors' remuneration Depreciation - owned assets	2014 £ 3,360 4,648	2013 £ 3,360 4,439

#### 8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2014 nor for the year ended 30 September 2013.

#### Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2014 nor for the year ended 30 September 2013.

#### 9. STAFF COSTS

	2014	2013
	£	£
Wages and salaries	152,105	156,078

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

10.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	S				
				Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery etc	Totals £
	COST At 1 October 2013 Additions			1,385,073	41,603 15,890	1,426,676 15,890
	At 30 September 2014			1,385,073	57,493	1,442,566
	DEPRECIATION At 1 October 2013			-	34,961	34,961
	Charge for year  At 30 September 2014				<u>4,648</u> <u>39,609</u>	<u>4,648</u> <u>39,609</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE At 30 September 2014			1,385,073	17,884	1,402,957
	At 30 September 2013			1,385,073	6,642	1,391,715
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11.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FA	LLING DUE WIT	HIN ONE YEAR		2014	2013
	Other debtors				£ 4,525	£ 1,552
12.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS I	FALLING DUE W	ITHIN ONE YEAI	₹		
					2014 £	2013 £
	Other creditors				34,600	19,189
13.	MOVEMENT IN FUNDS					
		1st October 2013	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers between unrestricted funds	30th September 2014
		£	£	£	£	£
	General funds	1,105,395	275,029	321,225		1,059,199
	Designated funds: Cyclical repairs Darell Jeffreys House	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
	Residents Fund Linden House Residents	811	0	(211)	0	1,022
	Fund Designated for general	567	0	53	. 0	514
	charitable purposes	339,720	0	0	0	339,720
	Total designated funds	361,098	0	(158)	0	361,256

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

#### 13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Total funds 1,466,493 275,029 321,067 0 1,420,455

#### 14. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There was no expenditure authorised but not contracted for at 30th September 2014 or 30th September 2013.

#### 15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year payments totalling £2,186 (2013: £1,980) were made to John Creasey in his capacity as a self-employed Architect and Property Manager. In addition to this a balance of £1,970 was outstanding at 30th September 2014.

#### 16. MEMBERS

The company is limited by guarantee. The number of members at 30th September 2014 each of whose liability is limited to £1 was 7 (2013: 7).