GWILI RAILWAY COMPANY

ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 2012

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GWILI RAILWAY COMPANY LIMITED

. > OPERATING ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2012

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INCOM	<u>E</u> -							
Passenger Fares, Events & Christmas Special (Net)				107,388			102,771	
'Thomas' Events		Income Expenditure		61,365 59,020	2,345	_	37,144 27,207	9,937
Catering Income Catering Expenditure				51,419 23,652	27,767		37,141 23,723	13,418
Shop		income Expenditure		36,538 19,683	16,855	_	29,169 20,320	8,849
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Grants	Welsh ssembly National Hentage C A V S				0 0 4,000			4,525 1,512
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EXPEND								
Coal, Water, Oil, Gas, Electricity, etc			43,517			50,601		
Tickets, Stationery and Printing, etc		tc		4,483			3,025	
Repairs and Renewals, including Track Maintenance		Track		16,963			862	
Expenditure Carmarthen North Extension Donations Received			2,522 7,144			249 0		
Excess car	ਿ Tied forward		4,622 4,622	0		249 0	249	
Stock Movement, Hire and Haulage		ė		13,806			26,790	
Medicals		720	79,489	_	1,235	82,762		
OPERATING SURPLUS/(LOSS)			£	78,866		£	58,250	

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2012

REVENUE		2012	:	<u> 2011</u>
Operating (Loss) Surplus		78,866		58,250
Deposit Account Interest	63		11	
Rent, Wayleave and Fishing Rights	87		395	
Donations/Drivers/Training	9,225		6,538	
Sundry	0		41	
Filming (Net)	0		50	
		9,37 <i>5</i> 		7,035
EXPENDITURE.		88,241		65,285
Wages, PAYE & NIC (Less Grant)	70,684		61,554	
Rates, Refuse and Recycling	0		1,777	
Insurance	12,651		22,111	
Advertisements/Website	6,079		11,597	
Subscriptions, Membership Fees, Donations and Gifts/Social Evening	173		715	
Meeting/Room Hire	492		171	
Postage, Telephone and Petty Expenses	2,467		4,028	
Accountancy Fee	925		875	
Bank Charges and Interest	4,106		1,969	
Credit Card Charges	2,387		2,010	
Loan Interest	1,899		1,630	
Cleaning, Toiletnes, First Aid and Sundries	1,763		1,815	
Office/Toilets, Equipment Hire, Leasing	5,743	109,369		110,252
Profit/(Loss) for the Year.	_	(21,128)	_	(44,967)
Accumulated (Losses) brought forward.		(242,733)		(197,766)
Accumulated Profits/(Losses) c/fwd	£	(263,861)	£	(242,733)

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GWILI RAILWAY COMPANY LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2012

		2012 2011			
FIXED ASSETS:	(See Note)	400 500		400 500	
Land and Buildings Pit		139,523 7,417		139,523	
Track and Road Signs		70,844		7,417 83,274	
Locomotives and Rolling Stock		49,872		56,622	
Tools and Plant.		30,182		29,382	
M P D Workshop		879		879	
Mini Railway		12,000		12,000	
Office/Catering Equipment		7,542		5,562	
Less:		318,259		334,659	
Grants/Donations Received b/fv	vd	35,504	282,755	35,504	299,166
CURRENT ASSETS					
Sundry Debtors/Prepayments		1,732		0	
VAT Current Account.		6,812		4,589	
Catering, Coal, Stationery & Sho	op Stock	7,749		8,982	
Deposit Account		40,614		5,853	
Petty Cash		8		50	
		56,915		19,474	
Less CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>:</u>				
(Due for Payment within 12	=				
Current Account	_,,	19,491		8,700	
Business Loans		12,000		7,628	
Carmarthen North Extension		0		15,000	
Sundry Creditors		9,433		16,180	
		40,924		47,508	
Net CURRENT ASSETS/(LIA	BILITIES):		15,991		(28,034)
DEFERRED LIABILITIES:					
Share Deposits		75		110	
Business Loans		63,743		29,937	
Interest Free Loans		3,500		11,500	
Carmarthen North Extension		4,622		0	
Carmarthen Voluntary Services		4,000		4,000	
Other Deposits, etc		11,293	(87,233)	11,293	(56,840)
NET ASSETS.		_	211,513	£	214,281
Represented By:					
SHARE CAPITAL:					
Issued and Fully Paid					
34,055 'A' Shares of £10 Each		340,550	044 500	322,190	000 000
202 'B' Shares of £ 5 Each		1,010	341,560	1,010	323,200
REVENUE RESERVES.					
Profit and Loss Account (DR)			(263,861)		(242,733)
Capital Revaluation Reserve			133,814	_	133 _, 814
		£	211,513	€	214,281
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Balance sheet continued

For the year ending 31st December 2012 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies

Director's responsibilities,

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

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime

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Gwili Railway Company Ltd.

Report 2012

Following the implementation of the Company's Business Plan in 2011, this year's operations reflected the lessons (good and bad) learned as a result. A slightly less intensive pattern of operations was agreed and on the whole this plan worked well, aided by the high reliability shown by "Haulwen" and the visit of the "Shearings" bus from Tenby every week in the summer months. Two particularly successful events this year were the "Cream teas" run on most Thursdays in the summer and the record breaking "Santa's Magical Steamings" which passed the 6,000 barrier (last year's figure approx. 4k visitors). A glance at the "Tripadvisor" website will show that the vast majority of our passengers went away satisfied with some very positive comments recorded despite an indifferent summer weather wise.

The final total passenger figure for the year is 28,081 - the second year in a row that records have tumbled - our best ever year. Well done to everyone who made this happen. 2012 has seen great efforts on the marketing side of the railway, with the online booking system now operational and more strenuous efforts to promote the railway in the locality, with the results apparent for all to see

Commercially the "Day Out With Thomas" events (the traditional Easter slot followed by 4 weekends in June/July this year) were a disappointment. A combination of bad weather and a bad start on Good Friday when Thomas broke a spring resulted in a less than budgeted return on the event(s). After careful consideration and taking into account new contractual requirements, the Company has reluctantly decided to opt out of a Thomas event in 2013. Thomas has played a significant part in the railway's development since 1998 but the reality is that those railways that are now able to make a success of the event are the ones that have an established infrastructure to cope with the event demand i.e. car parks/cafe's etc. The Gwili does not presently have the permanent facilities that we want and need to make this event pay.

Notwithstanding this, great strides have been made towards improving facilities generally during the year. One of the most successful projects now in being is the "Cafe Coach" which provides something that Bronwydd has needed for some years - a welcoming undercover waiting area with ambience and a chance for a cup of tea. Other improvements completed include a bigger shop after the relocation of the office to the former SERCO classroom, and a new miniature railway undercover station, built in a more traditional style. At the end of the year two grants were awarded for further upgrades - 4k towards improving the car park surface and parking facilities for the disabled at Bronwydd and 20k towards the new Llwyfan Cerrig Visitor Centre. These projects will be undertaken in 2013

Several other projects of note were undertaken during the year and these include

The repaint of the Kitchen Car, completing the "Felinfoel Flyer" dining train

- Ongoing repainting of the signals at Bronwydd
- The complete refurbishment of Bronwydd Signal Box
- Replacement of Points 13 (North Points) at Bronwydd
- Refurbishment of Crundale Signal Box at Llwyfan Cerrig
- Much tree clearance at many sites, including Llwyfan Cerrig, Conwil, Llanpumsaint and south of Bronwydd towards Carmarthen
- The recovery of Aberayron Signal Box
- The repaint of the DMU Centre Car into green livery
- Refurbishment of the Mess Room at Bronwydd
- Repairs to the BSK and a roof repaint
- General re-upholstering and repairs to the interior of the service train
- The completion of and official ceremony for the unveiling of the Crossing Gates
- Completion of Bridge Siding and the re-grading of Llwyfan yard
- Replacement of bridge 6 on the extension
- Disposal of a number of surplus vehicles from the railway

Offsite the overhauls of "Welsh Guardsman" and "Olwen" continue to progress and will hopefully return to boost the steam fleet in 2013. It is anticipated that "Jennifer" will return to Llangollen with our grateful thanks in helping us through a difficult period. On the rolling stock side it is also hoped 2013 will see the debut of the vintage train and further work on the DMU and service set. Other work planned on the existing railway in 2013 includes repairs to the track and refurbishment of the south points at Bronwydd.

2012 will also be remembered as a year when massive strides were made towards one of our key goals - the Carmarthen Extension. Three funding applications were submitted to various bodies and two out of three have now been awarded, with a decision due on the third in mid-January. Our supporters have again shown outstanding loyalty with the sum of £35,000 being raised between the GRCo and GRPS to aid in making the extension a reality. A new planning Permission has been granted for a basic platform at Carmarthen, and at the end of the year the heavy work started on the last ¾ mile of track bed ready for the laying of the track. All of this work is leading to the end point of services operating to Carmarthen maybe as soon as the autumn of 2013, but probably from Easter 2014.

In fact our record in securing grant applications generally has been very good in 2012 - some 64k has been awarded to the Company for various projects, vindicating the objectives and policies set out in both the 2011 Business Plan and the Company's 5 year Plan completed earlier this year

All the above illustrates clearly the direction that the railway is taking. The transformation from part-time to full time railway has without question quickened the pace of development, improved the passenger experience and the community's perception of the railway. However we must not and cannot afford to rest on our laurels. With paid staff and more intensive operations comes a demanding cash flow. The success of both supporter fundraising and every single operating day is vital. You will note that the Company is committed to significant capital investment to improve the railway as well as needing cash flow to pay the "day to day" bills. This is a demanding undertaking and every penny from you, our supporters, literally does count and we thank you sincerely for this

We are now closer than ever before to realising the dream of an extended railway, but your support, both physically and financially is needed more than ever in 2013. Many thanks to all of those who have helped make 2012 such an outstanding success, and we look forward to seeing you in 2013.

Matt Bowen

Gwili Railway Company Secretary