

Springboard Southwark Trust

Financial statements 31 March 2000 together with directors' and auditors' reports

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Directors and officers

Directors

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Directors' report

For the year ended 31 March 2000

Financial statements

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000.

Status

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have share capital. It is a registered charity.

Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors 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 profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then 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 explained in the accounts;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company 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 company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Principal activity

The company offers a wide range of training provision, primarily for young people. It is funded by the Central Training and Enterprise Council.

The company is, and will continue to be, a training organisation which provides young people with the opportunity to develop and improve their skills.

The company is formally linked with CSV who oversee and provide support to the operation, and who create opportunities for people to play an active part in the life of the community.

Directors' report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2000

Review of operations

Training

Springboard Southwark provided training for 366 young people during the financial year 1999/2000. We also managed to encourage and assist 143 people to engage in volunteering activities during the same period. We operate a wide range of training provision, primarily for young people, with funds from AZTEC and Focus Training and Enterprise Councils, the Employment Service, the European Social Fund and from Sainsbury's Monument Trust

Springboard Southwark's training provision has remained focused primarily on work placements in health care, care support, Business Administration services including clerical and administration, Retail and Animal Care

Springboard Southwark is, and will continue to be, a training organisation which provides initiatives for young people and people with special needs to encourage them to develop and improve their skills and employability.

The Trust remains committed to NVQ training and continues to develop the expertise of staff in assessment work to TDLB standards. In addition the Trust has committed to having a considerable number of staff trained in Key Skills delivery and related expertise and this training commenced during the year.

Gateway

In addition to our routine training provisions, we are also running programmes for disaffected young people and adults under the Government's New Deal initiative. Within this Gateway project there are twenty provisions spanning from job search to drug counselling. Springboard Southwark has delivered a number of these intervention programmes such as careers guidance, personal effectiveness and CV compilation.

Millennium Volunteers

Millennium Volunteers, Action Southwark's Citizens' Service project funded by the DfEE, continued to build on its early success. The Volunteers programme continues to demonstrate how people of all ages can develop themselves and simultaneously benefit their local community.

This year 143 young people took up and proved equal to the millennium volunteers challenge and showed the positive impact that volunteering can have on improving the quality of life and services in Southwark.

Staffing

The increased number of contracts being handled by Springboard Southwark, now standing at 15, has brought in a number of new staff as well as a number of new opportunities. This local expansion has made it even more important than ever that our staff continue to remain well trained and flexible. The implementation of the Investors in People framework has helped us to meet this challenge. Continued staff training and development remains a high priority area for the company and all staff have regular access to training to help them develop their experience and contribute towards the company's business aims and objectives. The number of staff employed by the Trust has grown slightly during the year.

Directors' report (continued)

Financial activity

The income of the Trust grew during the year by around 24%. Additionally, the overall expenditure of the Trust also grew 20% and in total we experienced a deficit of £5,749 (1999: deficit £29,255). However the effect of this loss can be qualified when we take into account that we did not receive a fair amount of this year's income until well after the financial year's end.

Overall the Trust enjoyed a mixed financial year, and although there was some growth as we were successful in securing a number of new funding opportunities, such as two new bids under the Neighbourhood Social Funds and The European Social Fund. The fruits of these new developments will be felt later next year.

Contracts

Our policy has always been to place great emphasis on trainee need and individual levels of achievement which will eventually lead to our trainees achieving measurable improvements and/or a recognised vocational qualification. Training is provided in the following areas: Community Care, Child Care, Retail, Business Administration and Animal Care. All our training courses offer basic skills and personal effectiveness as an integral part of the programme.

Our Training at Springboard Southwark also focuses on regular student progress, measurable attainment and individual achievement. To that end in 1999/00 we were successful in transferring 40 youngsters into employment. We were also successful in achieving over 130 qualification outcomes ranging from qualifications at NVQ level one or two and Modern apprenticeships at level 3.

This year we successfully negotiated a renewed contract with both Focus and Aztec for the delivery of NVQ training in both Kingston and Southwark. We successfully extended that programme to include a full range of training in Life Skills which also included an outward bound week. With the experience of the first year of the contract behind us we are confident of achieving similar success in the future.

Future developments

The Trust has had a year of mixed fortunes on a number of fronts and now faces the challenge of developing and sustaining qualitative improvement of the Trust. The number of staff employed by the Trust has grown slightly during the year.

The management, staff training and financial systems must be developed to underpin the delivery side of the work of Springboard Southwark. A number of development measures in these areas are planned. The Trust is involved in planning for the establishment of the Learning Skills Council and will seek to play an active role with this new body.

The Trust aims to remain a premier provider of services for people, and particularly young people, in Southwark into the early years of the 21st century and beyond and will continue to market its services vigorously with this aim in mind.

Directors' report (continued)

Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Binder Hamlyn be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

This report was approved by the Board on 3 / August 2000.

Terry Rocque

Secretary



Auditors' report

To the members of Springboard Southwark Trust

We have audited the financial statements on pages 7 to 14 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 9.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board and by our profession's ethical guidance.

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 financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of the company, 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 financial statements 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 financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the company's state of affairs at 31 March 2000 and of its deficit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Binder Hamlyn

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

3, August

Statement of financial activities

(incorporating the income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2000

	Notes	Unrestricted 2000 £	Restricted 2000 £	Total 2000 £	Total 1999 £
Operating and grant income Interest receivable	2	789,058 155	147,976	937,034 155	755,294 380
Total incoming resources		789,213	147,976	937,189	755,674
Resources used					
Direct charitable expenditure		698,753	89,643	788,396	695,518
Other expenditure					
Management and administration		108,001	41,316	149,317	86,682
Fundraising and publicity		3,237	1,988	5,225	2,729
Total resources expended	3,4	809,991	132,947	942,938	784,929
Net movement in funds	10	(20,778)	15,029	(5,749)	(29,255)
Fund balances brought forward	10	243,843	13,163	257,006	286,261
Fund balances carried forward	10	223,065	28,192	251,257	257,006

The results for the year shown above all derive from continuing activities.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this Statement of Financial Activities.

There were no recognised gains or losses other than recorded above.

Balance sheet

31 March 2000

	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
Tangible fixed assets	7	151,903	151,487
Current assets			
Debtors	8	190,834	108,351
Cash at bank and in hand			48,776
		190,834	157,127
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(91,480)	(51,608)
Net current assets		99,354	105,519
Total assets less current liabilities		251,257	257,006
Total net assets		251,257	257,006
Represented by:			
Restricted fund	10	28,192	13,163
Capital fund	10	62,500	62,500
Designated fund	10	55,226	59,518
General fund	10	105,339	121,825
		251,257	257,006

The financial statements on pages 7 to 14 were approved by the Board on 3/ August 2000.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this Balance Sheet.

William Garland

Director

Notes to the financial statements

31 March 2000

1 Accounting policies

a) Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting by Charities, using the following principal accounting policies.

b) Income and expenditure

Income represents amounts receivable during the year for training provided.

Costs are allocated where appropriate to direct charitable expenditure, fundraising and publicity and management and administration, ensuring that management and administration costs relate to the management of the company's assets, organisational administration and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

c) Depreciation of fixed assets

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual values, of all fixed assets over their expected useful lives. It is calculated at the following rates on a straight line basis:

Computer equipment - 33.3% per annum Audio visual equipment - 33.3% per annum Office furniture, fixtures and fittings - 33.3% per annum

The directors are of the opinion that the residual value of the freehold property is not materially different from the book value. No depreciation has been charged, in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 15 "Tangible fixed assets", on the basis that it would be immaterial. As a result the freehold property is subjected to impairment reviews at the end of each reporting period performed in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 11 "Impairment of fixed assets and goodwill." The directors have considered the value of the freehold property in the accounts and, by reference to open market values, are of the opinion that no impairment has occurred.

d) Cash flow

The company is exempt from the requirements of FRS 1 to include a cash flow statement as part of its financial statements because the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of CSV.

e) Capital grants

Grants received in relation to fixed assets are credited to a capital fund and will be maintained throughout the ownership of the asset.

2 Operating and grant income		
	2000	1999
	£	£
Training and Enterprise Council	710,355	625,330
New Deal	66,314	35,651
NSF (Neighbourhood Support Fund)	6,308	8,825
Donations:		
- DFEE	58,333	37,500
- Monument Trust	73,793	19,500
- European Social Fund	9,542	21,550
Placement income	11,306	4,938
Sundry income	1,083	2,000
	937,034	755,294
3 Total resources expended		
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	£	£
These include:		
Depreciation	1,700	5,475
Auditors' remuneration	2,620	2,210
Bank interest payable	258	576
Staff costs:		
Wages and salaries	441,229	316,152
Social security costs	39,828	31,709
	481,057	347,861

The average weekly number of employees during the year was 27 (1999: 19).

4 Analysis of total resources expended

	Salary cost £	Other costs	Total cost £
Direct charitable			
Support costs	77,628	29,387	107,015
Other direct charitable	295,428	385,953	681,381
	373,056	415,340	788,396
Management and administration	108,001	41,316	149,317
Fundraising and publicity	-	5,225	5,225
	481,057	461,881	942,938

Other costs include trainee allowances of £276,968 (1999: £273,818).

5 Directors' emoluments

No director received any remuneration from the company (1999: £Nil).

6 Taxation

No taxation has been provided in the financial statements because, as a registered charity, the income is exempt in accordance with Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

7 Tangible fixed assets					
				Office furniture,	
	Freehold	Audio visual	Computer	fixtures and	
	property	equipment	equipment	fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
1 April 1999	148,547	4,529	21,933	18,475	193,484
Additions	2,116	-	-	-	2,116
Disposals	-				-
31 March 2000	150,663	4,529	21,933	18,475	195,600
Depreciation					
1 April 1999	-	4,529	18,993	18,475	41,997
Charge for year	•	-	1,700	-	1,700
Disposals					
31 March 2000	<u>-</u>	4,529	20,693	18,475	43,697
Net book value					
31 March 2000	150,663		1,240	-	151,903
31 March 1999	148,547	-	2,940		151,487
8 Debtors					
				2000 £	1999 £
Owed from Parent Undertaking				52,750	6,000
Training and Enterprise Council debtor:					
- Focus				64,394	54,206
- AZTEC				19,111	21,866
New Deal				20,875	9,328
Other debtors				17,323	4,677
Prepayments				16,381	12,274
				190,834	108,351

Creditors: amounts falling due within one year 2000 1999 £ £ 8,529 Bank overdraft Taxation and social security 25,071 9,488 27,899 13,260 Amounts owed to parent undertaking Amounts owed to fellow subsidiaries 2,143 2,742 Other creditors 15,810 13,805 Accruals and deferred income 12,313 12,028 91,480 51,608 10 Funds Balance at Net Balance at 1 April Movement 31 March 1999 2000 in funds £ £ Restricted fund (i) 13,163 15,029 28,192 62,500 Capital fund (ii) 62,500 Designated fund (iii) 59.518 (4,292)55,226 General fund 121,825 (16,486)105,339 257,006 (5,749)251,257

- (i) The restricted fund represents income which is only available for use on particular projects.
- (ii) The capital fund represents capital grants received in relation to fixed assets.
- (iii) The designated fund represents unrestricted funds set aside by the directors to cover redundancy payments in the event of funding being withdrawn.

11 Financial Commitment

a) Operating Lease

Annual commitments on property and equipment under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2000 £	1999 £
Leases which expire within 2-5 years		
- Equipment	3,525	2,814

12 Parent undertaking

At 31 March 2000 the ultimate parent undertaking was CSV, a company incorporated in England.

CSV is the parent undertaking of the largest and smallest group of which Springboard Southwark Trust is a member and for which group financial statements are drawn up. Copies of those financial statements are available from CSV finance division, 237 Pentonville Road, London, N1 9NJ.

As a subsidiary undertaking of CSV, the company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 8 "Related party disclosures" not to disclose transactions with other members of the group headed by CSV.

Detailed income and expenditure account

For the year ended 31 March 2000

	2000 £	1999 £
Income		
Neighbourhood Support Fund	6,308	8,825
Training and Enterprise Council income	710,355	625,330
Placement income	11,306	4,938
Bank interest receivable	155	380
Sundry income	1,083	2,000
Trusts and foundations	132,126	57,000
New Deal	66,314	35,651
European Social Fund	9,542	21,550
Total income	937,189	755,674

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Detailed income and expenditure account (continued)

	2000 £	1999 £
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Expenditure		
Salaries and wages	481,057	347,861
Recruitment costs	3,805	5,526
Trainee allowances	276,968	273,818
Rent and rates	31,519	37,350
Heat, light and power	6,025	5,815
Cleaning	2,134	2,064
Material and tools	2,319	2,254
Telephone	10,921	8,150
Travel and subsistence	7,690	5,459
Training costs	10,726	7,618
Insurance	4,717	6,421
Audit fee	2,620	2,210
Bank charges	5,036	3,974
Postage and stationery	16,892	14,948
Repairs and maintenance	6,982	3,886
Advertising	5,226	2,729
Office expenses	6,519	6,562
Depreciation	1,700	5,475
Staff training	7,914	947
Irrecoverable VAT	14,387	9,790
Bank interest payable	258	576
Professional services	205	-
Action Southwark - Volunteers expenses	1,030	1,727
Equipment costs	16,882	12,505
New Deal expenses	3,593	2,264
CSV – Support services	15,000	15,000
Disability Project Allowances	508	-
School Excluders Allowances	305	_
Total expenditure	942,938	784,929
Excess of expenditure over income	(5,749)	(29,255)

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