Registered number: 02214337 Charity number: 298588

# The BASW Trust

Trustees Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 September 2016

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# Reference and Administrative Details of the Company, its Trustees and Advisers for the year ended 30 September 2016

Trustees

British Association of Social Workers F Fuller (resigned 10 October 2016) G L Shennan (appointed 10 October 2016) J Dudley (appointed 31 October 2016)

Company registered

number

02214337

**Charity registered** 

number

298588

Registered office

16 Kent Street Birmingham B5 6RD

Company secretary

F Ryan

Independent auditors

Dains LLP 15 Colmore Row Birmingham B3 2BH

# Trustees' Report for the year ended 30 September 2016

The Trustees present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of The BASW Trust for the year 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016.

Since the company qualifies as small under section 383, the strategic report required of medium and large companies under The Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Director's Report) Regulations 2013 is not required.

## Structure, governance and management

#### Constitution

The company is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association on 27 January 1988.

The company is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 27 January 1988 and is a registered charity number 298588

#### Method of appointment or election of Trustees

Vacancies on The BASW Trust are announced to all members in the Association's monthly magazine and appointments are determined by election in a postal ballot.

# Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The induction training for newly appointed trustees comprises an initial meeting with the Board of Trustees at which a pack is provided. This includes a copy of the governing document, a copy of the most recent annual report and financial statements, a copy of the minutes of previous trustee meeting minutes and a copy of the Charity Commissioners guidance "The Essential Trustee".

#### Organisational structure and decision making

The Board of trustees comprises not less than three and unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution the maximum of trustees shall be equal to the members of BASW Council.

# Trustees' Report (continued) for the year ended 30 September 2016

### Risk management

The Trustees has examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirms that systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

Members of the Association's ruling body, BASW Council are responsible for the management of risks arising from the Association's charitable objectives and related activities. Detailed consideration of risks are delegated to the Finance & Human Resources Committees who are assisted by the Association's management group. Risks are identified, assessed and controls established throughout the year and formally reviewed on an annual basis. The key controls used by the charity include:

- · Formal agendas for all Council and committee activity
- Terms of reference for all committees
- · Comprehensive strategic planning, budgeting and management accounting
- · Established organisation of structure and lines of reporting
- · Formal written policies
- · Annual review of the scope and adequacy of insurance cover and member indemnity

Members of BASW Council are satisfied that effective action has been taken to minimise major risks that have been identified and to mitigate the effects of residual risks that cannot be eliminated.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

#### Policies and objectives

The main objects of the charity continue to be:

- a) to promote the education and training of social workers for the benefit of the public.
- b) to relieve poverty and its effects.
- c) to promote the education of the public in matters of social policy, social organisation and social problems.

### **Public benefit**

The Trustees of the charity are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and this now forms part of the Induction Pack for new Trustees.

The Public Benefit provided by the trust include:

- · the relief of poverty and its effects
- · the advancement of education

# Achievements and performance

#### Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the Accounting Policies.

Trustees' Report (continued) for the year ended 30 September 2016

#### Review of activities

The Trust has contributed very considerably to reviews of the role of social work and the delivery of social care services that have been taking place across the UK and has responded to Government consultations about legislative and practice developments that will have an impact on the quality of social work services. The Association now has more than 17,000, members and a higher profile such activities will increase again in the forthcoming year.

The Trust has maintained its campaigns against injustice, inequality and poverty. During the course of the year the Trust has raised the profile of BASW's Ethics & Human Rights Committee which assists social workers solve ethical dilemmas and contributes to the development of practice guidance. A priority for the future is to assist social workers to maintain and develop their skills and knowledge base.

#### Financial review

#### Reserves policy

For many years, the charity has benefited from donations and contributions in kind from the British Association of Social Workers which cover the cost of the trust and its charitable activities. The Trustees believe that this support will be forthcoming in the future thereby obviating the need to hold any reserves.

#### Related parties

The charity has transactions with the British Association of Social Workers, its controlling party.

#### **Elective resolutions**

Elective resolutions were passed by the members on 14 April 1995 whereby the charity has dispensed with the laying of accounts and reports before the charitable company in the general meetings, the holding of annual general meetings and the obligation to appoint auditors annually.

#### Trustees' responsibilities statement

The Trustees (who are also directors of The BASW Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and 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. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting 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 operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and 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

# Trustees' Report (continued) for the year ended 30 September 2016

reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

### Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the persons who are Trustees at the time when this Trustees' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- that Trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Trustee in order to be aware of any information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

### **Auditor**

Dains LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and are therefore deemed to be reappointed in accordance with the elective resolution passed on 14 April 1995.

In preparing this report, the Trustees have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 25 January 2017 and signed on their behalf by:

G Shennan Trustee

## Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of The BASW Trust

We have audited the financial statements of The BASW Trust for the year ended 30 September 2016 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities).

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members 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 its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

# Respective responsibilities of Trustees and auditors

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, 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.

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 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 Trustees' report 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.

#### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 September 2016 and of
  its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year
  then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

## Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Trustees' report, incorporating the Strategic report, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of The BASW Trust

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and to take advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the Trustees' report.

Andrew Morris FCA (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of

**Dains LLP** 

Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants

Birmingham 25 January 2017

The BASW Trust (A company limited by guarantee)

Statement of financial activities (incorporating income and expenditure account) for the year ended 30 September 2016

		Unrestricted funds 2016	Total funds 2016	Total funds 2015
	Note	£	£	£
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	2	1,299,192	1,299,192	1,092,733
Total income		1,299,192	1,299,192	1,092,733
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		1,299,192	1,299,192	1,092,733
Total expenditure		1,299,192	1,299,192	1,092,733
Reconciliation of funds:	•			
Total funds brought forward			-	-

The notes on pages 10 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

**The BASW Trust** 

(A company limited by guarantee) Registered number: 02214337

**Balance Sheet** 

as at 30 September 2016

	Note	2016 £	2015 £
Net assets		<u>-</u>	
Charity Funds		<del></del>	<del></del>
Total funds		-	· <u>-</u>

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 25 January 2017 and signed on their behalf, by:

G Shennan Trustee

The notes on pages 10 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2016

#### 1. Accounting Policies

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015) and the Companies Act 2006.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

### 1.2 Company status

The company is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

#### 1.3 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

### 1.4 Income

All income is recognised once the company has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the company is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the company has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the company, or the company is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the company where this can be quantified and a third party is bearing the cost. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Donated services or facilities are recognised when the company has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the company of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably.

On receipt, donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the company which is the amount the company would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2016

## 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the company's educational operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the company apportioned to charitable activities.

#### 1.6 Cash flow

The company, being a subsidiary undertaking where 90% or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available, is exempt from the requirement to draw up a cash flow statement in accordance with FRS 1.

#### 1.7 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the company; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

# 1.8 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

## 1.9 Cash at Bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

#### 1.10 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money ismaterial, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised within interest payable and similar charges.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2016

## 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

### 1.11 Financial instruments

The company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# 2. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2016	Total funds 2015
Donations from the British Association of Social Workers	1,299,192	1,092,733

In 2015, of the total income from donations and legacies, £1,092,733 was to unrestricted funds.

#### 3. Direct costs

·	Promotion of education	Relief of	Education of the public in matters of social	Total	Total
	and training	poverty	policy	2016	2015
Direct costs	259,838	129,919	909,435	1,299,192	1,092,733
Direct costs	239,830	123,313	303,433	1,233,132	1,032,733

In 2015, the company incurred the following Direct costs:

£218,547 in respect of Promotion of education and training

£109,273 in respect of Relief of poverty

£764,913 in respect of Education of the public in matters of social policy

### 4. Analysis of resources expended by activities

Activities undertaken directly 2016 £	Support costs 2016 £	Total 2016 £	Total 2015 £
259,838	-	259,838	218,547
129,919	-	129,919	109,273
909,435	· <b>-</b>	909,435	764,913
1,299,192	-	1,299,192	1,092,733
	undertaken directly 2016 £ 259,838 129,919 909,435	undertaken directly         Support costs           2016         £           £         £           259,838         -           129,919         -           909,435         -	undertaken directly         Support costs         Total 2016           2016         2016         2016           £         £         £           259,838         -         259,838           129,919         -         129,919           909,435         -         909,435

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2016

## 5. Net incoming resources/(resources expended)

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration (2015 - £NIL).

During the year, no Trustees received any benefits in kind (2015 - £NIL).

During the year, no Trustees received any reimbursement of expenses (2015 - £NIL).

## 6. Statement of funds

Brought Forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Carried Forward £
•	1,299,192	(1,299,192)	-
Brought			Carried
Forward	_		Forward
£	£	Ł	£
-	1,299,192	(1,299,192)	-
	Forward £  Brought Forward £	Forward Income £  - 1,299,192  Brought Forward Income £	Forward Expenditure £  - 1,299,192 (1,299,192)  Brought Forward Expenditure £  Income Expenditure £

## 7. Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption conferred by Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities not to disclose transactions with members of the group headed by the British Association of Social Workers, on the grounds that 100% of the voting rights in the company are controlled within that group and the company is included in consolidated financial statements.

# 8. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

The largest and smallest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by the British Association of Social Workers, incorporated in England.

The consolidated accounts of this group are available to the public and may be obtained from the Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ.