

Company number 4583585

Obesity Management Association

**Trustees' Report and Unaudited Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 November 2007**

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Obesity Management Association

Annual Report for the year ended 30 November 2007

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Charity Information

Trustees

T B Chapman

J H Fine

R I Houtman

B M Newman

C V Ondhia

P H Swift

A S Quastel

Chairman

Professor T Meehan

Secretary

P H Swift

Charity number

1103678

Company number

4583585

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Reporting Accountants

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 November 2007

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 November 2007

Charitable Objectives

The charity's objectives are to promote the relief of illness, disability and suffering in such ways as the Charity from time to time think fit without regard to race, nationality, creed, age, gender or sexual orientation and without geographical restriction and in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of such objects -

- (a) by establishing a self-regulatory professional association for weight management clinics for the proper care, treatment and education of persons who are suffering obesity ("the beneficiaries"),
- (b) by conducting or promoting or encouraging research and evaluation into the care, welfare, treatment and support of the beneficiaries and the dissemination of knowledge,
- (c) by providing or encouraging or assisting in the teaching or training of any person connected with the care, treatment or welfare of the beneficiaries and by providing or facilitating the provision of vocational training or other training services to such persons,
- (d) to provide advice and assistance to others on matters within the objects of the charity either free of charge or subject to such payment as the charity may think fit

Constitution

Obesity Management Association is a company limited by guarantee (number 4583585) and obtained charity status on 11 May 2004 (number 1103678) Its Memorandum and Articles of Association form its governing document Under those Articles, the members of the Management Committee are empowered at any time to appoint any person to be a member of the Council, but any member so appointed shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting, and shall then be eligible for re-election

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Trustees

The following members of the Council of Management have held office since 1 December 2006

B Chang (resigned 1 July 2007)	B M Newman
T B Chapman	C V Ondhia
J H Fine	P H Swift
R I Houtman	A S Quastel

These individuals constitute Directors of the company for the purpose of the Companies Act 1985

Review of Activities

The year ending 30th November 2007 was another challenging year for the Association, and as in previous years the Association viewed such challenges as opportunities

The Association's Parliamentary relations activity during the year included engagements with both Government and Opposition parties to establish an increased understanding of the Association's role and the position Members play in the treatment of overweight and obese patients

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As part of this work OMA was requested to prepare a report by the Shadow Minister for Health on the private health sector's ability to respond to the need to provide treatment for private patients. This report identified the role of the private sector in the need to introduce inclusive weight management programmes and the importance of establishing positive working relationships with the NHS. In addition the report contained positive treatment cost comparisons between the private sector and the NHS, together with an outline of a new policy in the treatment of children.

The subject of, and dangers associated with, the sale and purchase of class 3 drugs on the internet continues to occupy the OMA board whose concerns were expressed to both Government and opposition parties who welcomed and recognised this as being a serious problem. Despite this dialogue with parliamentarians and officials OMA is not optimistic that action will be taken to change legislation to prohibit the sale of such drugs via the internet.

The Association's discussions with the Healthcare Commission regarding the release of information resulted in the Commission refusing to release copies of their "expert reports" in relation to the conduct of three members which they have reported to the GMC Fitness to Practice Committee. OMA then approached the Information Commissioner who defended the Commission's right not to release the reports OMA had requested.

Members agreed to appoint, on a short term contract, a public relations consultancy to assist the Association to present its position over a wide range of health and weight management related topics through the media.

OMA's discussions with Thames Valley University and its commitment to continuous professional development (CPD), progressed and the proposed Masters Degree in Bariatric Medicine will proceed once funding has been established.

The year ahead once again looks as though it will be another exciting and positive year for OMA.

Financial Review

Membership fees and voluntary income donations were down 8% on the year and expenditure decreased by 11%. The Trustees are comfortable with the level of expenditure and total funds increased by 16% at the end of the financial year. OMA is financially sound and in a good position to achieve its short term objectives.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have reviewed the charity's needs for reserves in line with guidance issued by the Charity Commission. It is considered that the target for free reserves should remain at a level which represents six months projected operating expenditure. At the balance sheet date free reserves stand at approximately twelve months projected expenditure and are therefore higher than the reserves policy.

Trustees Responsibilities

Company law requires the Obesity Management Association 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 surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Council of Management is required to

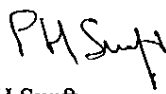
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting for Charities and Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 November 2007 (Continued)

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and 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, including taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and reporting by Charities and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.


P H Swift
Secretary

16th APRIL 2008

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Accountants' Report to the Members on the Unaudited Financial Statements of Obesity Management Association

We report on the financial statements for the year ended 30 November 2007 set out on pages 6 to 9

Respective responsibilities of directors and reporting accountant

As described on page 3, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and they consider that the company is exempt from an audit. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures designed to enable us to report our opinion.

Basis of opinion

Our work was conducted in accordance with the Statement of Standards for Reporting Accountants, and so our procedures consisted of comparing the financial statements with the accounting records kept by the company, and making such limited enquiries of the officers of the company as we considered necessary for the purposes of this report. These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion -

- a) the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the company under s221 of the Companies Act 1985,
- b) having regard only to, and on the basis of, the information contained in those accounting records
 - i) the financial statements have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the accounting requirements specified in s249C(6) of the Act, and
 - ii) the company satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the financial statements for the year, specified in s249A(4) of the Act as modified by S249A(5) and did not, at any time within that year, fall within any of the categories of companies not entitled to the exemption specified in s249B(1)



22 April 2008

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Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 30 November 2007

	Notes	2007 £	2006 £
Income and expenditure			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Voluntary income			
Donations		105,501	115,053
Investment income			
Bank interest		-	273
Total incoming resources		105,501	115,326
Resources expended			
Charitable activities			
Website costs		-	450
Consultancy		90,694	86,240
Legal and professional fees		564	16,803
Sundry expenses		104	196
Governance costs			
Accountancy		1,484	752
Total resources expended		92,846	104,441
Net income for the year	5	12,655	10,885
Net movement in funds			
		12,655	10,885
Total funds at 1 December 2006			
		81,260	70,375
Total funds at 30 November 2007			
		93,915	81,260

All amounts relate to unrestricted funds

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Balance Sheet as at 30 November 2007

	Notes	2007 £	2006 £
Current assets			
Debtors	3	30,900	12,700
Cash at bank and in hand		72,866	76,652
		103,766	89,352
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4	(9,851)	(8,092)
Net current assets		93,915	81,260
Funds			
General	5	93,915	81,260

In preparing these financial statements -

- (a) The directors are of the opinion that the company is entitled to the exemption from audit conferred by Section 249A(1) of the Companies Act 1985,
- (b) No notice has been deposited under Section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985, and
- (c) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for
 - i) ensuring that the company keep accounting records which comply with Section 221 of the Companies Act 1985, and
 - ii) 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 of its surplus or deficit for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of this Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 17th APRIL 2008 and signed on their behalf by -


P H Swift
Trustee


T B Chapman
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 November 2007

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and include the results of the charity's operations as indicated in the Trustees Report, all of which are continuing, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2005), the Companies Act 1985 and follow the recommendations in Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in March 2005

1.2 Company and 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 charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

1.3 Incoming resources

Income from all sources is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is receivable.

1.4 Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

1.5 Funds

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

2. Taxation

The company did not have a liability to taxation during this year or the previous year.

3 Debtors

	2007 £	2006 £
Other debtors	30,900	12,700

4 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2007 £	2006 £
Trade creditors	8,551	6,829
Other creditors	1,300	1,263
	9,851	8,092

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 November 2007 (Continued)

5. Unrestricted funds

	2007 £	2006 £
Surplus for the financial year	12,655	10,885
Balance at 1 December 2006	81,260	70,375
Balance at 30 November 2007	93,915	81,260

6. Related party transactions

Professor Tony Meehan is chairman of the Obesity Management Association (OMA) and managing director of TMA Communications Limited (TMA). During the year OMA received services from TMA at a total cost of £87,301 (2006 - £83,240) of which £8,551 (2006 - £6,829) is included in trade creditors at the year end.

Trustees received no remuneration during the year (2006 - £nil). Travel expenses amounting to £104 (2006 - £196) were paid to one trustee during the year.