

Voluntary & Community Action Wirral

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"Meeting Local Community Needs & Developing Voluntary Action"

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Report and Accounts
12 June 2007 – 31 March 2008

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(Members of the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action and Liverpool Charity and Voluntary Services)

Chief Executive

Mrs Annette M Roberts

Company Secretary

Ms Lyn R Derham

Accountants/Auditors

Blease Lloyd & Co 56 Hamilton Street Birkenhead Wirral CH41 5HZ

Solicitors

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Board of Directors (Trustees)

Chairman Mr Tony Criddle

Company Secretary Ms Lyn Derham

Mr Brian Cummings Mrs Carole Thomas

Mr Gary Evans Mr Terence Halliday

Mr Michael Hornby Mrs Helen Crawford

Mr Peter Greenland Mr John Challinor

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 12 JUNE 2007 TO 31 MARCH 2008

TRUSTEES REPORT

The Trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, present this report and financial statements for the period from incorporation on the 12 June 2007 to the 31 March 2008.

The Company which has yet to trade, will amalgamate with the CVS's of Bebington, Heswall, Hoylake and Wallasey on the 1 April 2008 and the accounts for the period show a surplus of £2,853 resulting from the donations by the four coalescing CVS's less the legal and other expenses incurred in the setting up of the Company.

The Directors who are also Trustees of the four Voluntary Service Centres of Bebington, Heswall, Hoylake and Wallasey were appointed on the 12 June 2007 and agreed to work together toward the formal amalgamation of the Centres into Voluntary & Community Action Wirral (VCAW) on the 1 April 2008.

OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Company's objectives and principal activities are to continue the promotion of the voluntary action and needs of the community which has previously been carried out by the four Voluntary Service Centres.

These are to be achieved by providing a range of services which fall into two categories:

- 1. By offering support and helping with the development of voluntary groups, and joint working within the community and voluntary sector.
- 2. By providing direct services in response to the needs of the community in our area of benefit.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The intention of the Company is to amalgamate the assets and liabilities of Bebington, Heswall, Hoylake and Wallasey CVS into VCAW on the 1 April 2008 and to continue to develop and deliver services of a consistently high standard to the local communities.

TRUSTEES TRAINING/DEVELOPMENT

Trustees are appointed on the basis of their ability to bring to the Board a range of skills to assist in the governance and development of the charity. Before appointment they are guided by the Chief Officer through a comprehensive induction procedure designed to give them a complete understanding of the aims and aspirations of the charity. In addition, Charity Commission literature is given to all Trustees on an on-going basis in order to assist them to understand their legal responsibilities.

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TRUSTEES REPORT (continued)

TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Company Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs in the Charity at the balance sheet date and of its financial activities during the period. In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; and
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the protection against and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

AUDITORS

A resolution to appoint Blease Lloyd & Co. as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

By order of the Trustees

A.R. Criddle Chairman

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

PERIOD 12 JUNE 2007 TO 31 MARCH 2008

	Restricted <u>Funds</u> £	Designated Funds £	General <u>Funds</u> £	Total Funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Income resources from generating funds:				
Donations	-	-	3,500	3,500
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	-	-	3,500	3,500
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Other resources expended:				
Company formation costs Sundry	- -	-	588 59	588 59
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	-	-	647	647
NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE PERIOD AND TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 MARCH 2008	_	· •	2,853	2,853

The Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) incorporates the Statement of Total Recognised Gain and Losses required by FRS3.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

<u>VOLUNTARY & COMMUNITY ACTION WIRRAL</u> <u>COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE</u>

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2008

£	£
	-
2,853	
	2,853
	2,853
	-
2,853	
	2,853
	2,853
	2,853

For the period ended 31 March 2008 the directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 (the Act) relating to the audit of the financial statements for the year by virtue of section 249A(1), and that no member or members have requested and audit pursuant to section 249B(2) of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

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- (i) ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 221 of the Act, and
- (ii) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs at the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profits or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements were approved by the directors and authorised for issue on	21/7/	08
and are signed on their behalf by:		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PERIOD 12 JUNE 2007 TO 31 MARCH 2008

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investments which are included at market value, and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Companies Act 1985.

Donations

Donations are recognised when received.

Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered. Analysis of the different types of expenditure is detailed in the notes to the financial statements.

Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are either

Unrestricted general funds – these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Trustees.

Designated funds – these are funds set aside by the Trustees out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects.

Restricted funds – there are funds that 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.