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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015 FOR

RACE COUNCIL CYMRU

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2015. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number 7863274 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number 1148598

Registered office 5 Lamb Lane Killay Swansea SA2 7ES

Trustees

Judge Ray Singh CBE Mr Mel Jehu MBE Mrs Norma Glass MBE Mrs Samsunear Ali Mr Isaac Blake Chair Vice chair General secretary Treasurer

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT Governing document

Race Council Company is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 28th November 2011 and registered as a charity on 16th August 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objectives and powers of the company. Members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 on winding up of the company.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees as defined by section 97 of the Charities Act 1993. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association at each annual general meeting one-third of the directors or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, the number nearest to one-third, must retire from office. If there is only one director he or she must retire. Directors are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they must be re-elected at the next Annual General Meeting. The appointment of a director, whether by the charity in general meeting or by the other directors, must not cause the number of directors to exceed any number fixed as the maximum number of directors. All board members give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

Race Council Cymru is the overarching umbrella body established in Wales to bring together key organisations which work to combat prejudice, race discrimination, harassment, abuse and violence. It works towards the elimination of racial discrimination and the promotion of equality of opportunity and improving race relations between people from different racial backgrounds. The board members therefore seek to ensure that the needs of people from the different racial backgrounds are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the board members. To enhance the potential pool of board members the charity has through a scrupulous process recruited board members from varied backgrounds. Equally important is the broad skill mix of the board members which is taken into consideration during the recruitment process. In the event of any skills lost due to board members leaving or through retirement, individuals with similar skills are approached with a request for them to join the Board.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

Many of the board members at the initial stage of joining the board are already familiar with the practical work of the charity. However, all board members are encouraged to undertake a series of training courses to equip them with the necessary knowledge, skills and awareness of their roles and responsibilities as well as objects of the organisation. A trustee starter pack is given out as a handout to each board member including a copy of the constitution and business plan.

Organisational structure

Race Council Cymru has a minimum of four board members and no maximum number. The board meet every two months and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. The board members are from varied professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity and they all have voting rights.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The trustees have the responsibility to manage risk to sustain the organisation and ensure that all its activities are risk assessed before they are carried out. Systems and procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Most significant is the external risk to funding which has led to the development of a strategic plan which will allow diversification of funding and activities. Internal control of risk is minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. All relevant policies are regularly reviewed periodically to ensure that they meet the needs of the charity.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Race Council Cymru is committed to breaking down barriers, promoting participation and community cohesion and integration as well as facilitating a better understanding of BAME people in Wales. It is involved in the promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by for example: the elimination of discrimination on the grounds of race, culture, ethnicity, nationality. And language; advancing education and raising awareness in equality and diversity; promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse ethnic backgrounds; conducting or commissioning research on equality and diversity issues and publishing the results to the public; cultivating a sentiment in favour of racial equality and diversity.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES Significant activities

Annual Race Conference

All Wales Annual Race Equality Conference 2015 took place on the 16th of March 2015 at the Wales Millennium Centre in Cardiff. The subject of the conference was "Promoting Ethnic Minority Inclusion in Wales." The keynote speakers were Dame Rosemary Butler AM – Presiding Officer National Assembly of Wales; Lesley Griffiths AM – Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty; Professor Emmanuel Ogbonna – Cardiff University Business School; Mr Ian Johnston – Gwent Police and Crime Commissioner; Dr Ama Eyo – Law Department Bangor University; and Mr Rhodri Talfan Davies – Director BBC Cymru Wales. Over 100 delegates from the third and public sector attended the event.

Primary Stakeholders Forum

Race Council Cymru established and manages a Primary Stakeholders Forum, which is made up of key national organisations working towards the elimination of race discrimination and inequalities in Wales. The Forum is a vehicle for organisations to discuss and identify common issues relating to racial prejudice and discrimination and inform Race Council Cymru's strategic direction and actions. The Forum, whose membership comprises 17 organisations, meets quarterly.

Third Sector Partnership Council

Race Council Cymru is the body that represents Ethnic Minorities on WCVA's (Wales Council for Voluntary Action) Third Sector Partnership Council (TSPC). It is a key mechanism for the third sector to talk to, and hear from, Welsh Government. It is chaired by the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty and is made up of representatives of third sector networks working across 25 areas of third sector activity along with three representatives from WCVA. TSPC members are expected to ensure effective communication with networks and third sector bodies they are representing. This will be achieved by different means, depending on the size, nature and geographical spread of the constituent groups

Promoting Racial Understanding

A report which Race Council Cymru commissioned in 2012, Race Equality and Racism in Wales: an Exploration Study, demonstrated that racism is rife across Wales. It showed, for example, that 94% of Pakistani and 74% of African community members had experienced racism in Wales. There was evidence of the need to work closely with Welsh Government and local authorities to educate and raise the racial awareness of officials within these sectors. Race Council Cymru ran a project to deliver training to three public sector organisations in Wales.

Public benefit

When reviewing its objectives and aims reference is made to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The board of management considers in detail how planned activities contribute to the aims and objectives set out in the organisation's constitution.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The board members recognise the need to build reserves for the organisation to help manage risks. However, the organisation is with limited income which makes it very difficult to realise any surplus income for this purpose. The board has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of the expenditure. The reserves policy will be reviewed on an annual basis for this purpose.

Principal funding sources

The main funding source for the charity is grant income. The income of £11,730 from grants during the year accounts for 66% of all income. The principal funding sources are WCVA and Big Lottery.

The organisation also generates income from its annual conference from attendance fees and charges for display space. Although the funds raised in this way are minimal, they help towards ensuring the sustainability of the organisation's activities.

Investment policy and objectives

An investment policy has not at this point been considered as a priority given the limited income of the charity. Its income and expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in long term investments. Most of the charity's funds available are spent in the short term to cover running costs so there are few funds for long term investments. The charity has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of funds. All funds are held as cash in the bank. A review of the investment policy will be examined by the board in planning for the future of the charity.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Signed: NWW U

Date: 14.10.2015

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

				2015	2014
INCOMING RESOURCES Incoming resources from	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds £	Total funds £
generated funds Voluntary income Activities for generating funds	2	883.12 3,150.00	13,730.00	14,613.12 3,150.00	4,121.76
Total incoming resources		4,033.12	13,730.00	17,763.12	4,121.76
RESOURCES EXPENDED Charitable activities Charitable activities Governance costs		2,743.21	11,783.21	14,526.42	2,181.05
Total resources expended		2,743.21	11,783.21	14,526.42	2,181.05
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		1,289.91	1,946.79	3,236.70	1,940.71
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		328.71	1,781.00	2,109.71	169.00
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,618.62	3,727.79	5,346.41	2,109.71

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2015

				2015	2014
CURRENT ASSETS	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds £	Total funds £
Debtors Cash at bank	4	1,618.62	3,727.79	5,346.41	2,109.71
CREDITORS		1,618.62	3,727.79	5,346.41	2,109.71
Amounts falling due within one year	4	-	-	-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,618.62	3,727.79	5,346.41	2,109.71
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,618.62	3,727.79	5,346.41	2,109.71
NET ASSETS		1,618.62	3,727.79	5,346.41	2,109.71
FUNDS Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	6			1,618.62 3,727.79	328.71 1,781.00
TOTAL FUNDS				5,346.41	2,109.71

BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED AT 31 MARCH 2015

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary charitable companies for the year ended 31 March 2015.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 14.10,2015 and were signed on its behalf by:

Judge Ray Singh

Samsunear Ali

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The incoming resources are made from donations, grants and fundraising activities. All these are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds 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. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Company status

The charity is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the charity.

2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2015	2014	
	£	£	
Fundraising events	3,150.00	-	

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2015 nor for the year ended 31 March 2014.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2015 or for the year ended 31 March 2014.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

4.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2015 £	2014 £
	Other debtors	-	-
	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	Bank loans and overdrafts Taxation and social security Other creditors	•	•
		-	-

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Unrestricted funds	At 1.4.14 £	Net Movement in funds £	At 31.3.15 £
General fund	328.71	1,289.91	1,618.62
Restricted funds WCVA – Third Sector Partnership Council Big Lottery Race Conference	1,781.00 - -	3,095.62 247.62 (1,396.45)	4,876.62 247.62 (1,396.45)
	1,781.00	1,946.79	3,727.79
TOTAL FUNDS	2,109.71	3,236.70	5,346.41
Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
Unrestricted funds General fund	£ 4,033.12	£ (2,743.21)	£ 1,289.91
Restricted funds WCVA – Third Sector Partnership Council Big Lottery Race Conference	8,560.00 3,170.00 2,000.00	(5,464.38) (2,922.38) (3,396.45)	3,095.62 247.62 (1,396.45)
	13,730.00	(11,783.21)	1,946.79
TOTAL FUNDS	17,763.12	(14,526.42)	3,236.70

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

6. RESTRICTED FUND

Annual Race Conference

All Wales Annual Race Equality Conference 2015 took place on the 16th of March 2015 at the Wales Millennium Centre in Cardiff. The subject of the conference was "Promoting Ethnic Minority Inclusion in Wales." The conference was funded by restricted grants from Gwent Police and Public Health Wales. Further funding was raised through attendance fees and from charges for organisations and agencies to have display stalls. Some of the funding raised was treated as restricted in order to meet the costs of the conference.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

	2015 £	2014 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	L	L
Voluntary income		
Donations and Legacies Grants Tuition Refunds Interest	500.00 13,730.00 100.00 277.00 6.12	2,298.55 1,823.00 - - 0.21
Activities for generating funds Fundraising events	14,613.12 3,150.00	4,121.76
Total incoming resources	17,763.12	4,121.76
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Consultancies Admin & Stationery IT Equipment Membership Travel & Subsistence Training Telephone Insurance Venue Hire Bank charges	5,130.50 128.27 799.46 804.97 85.00 1,623.38 2,926.38 151.46 477.00 2,208.00 192.00	1,130.00 30.50 150.00 470.00 60.00 340.55
	14,526.42	2,181.05
Governance costs	-	
Total resources expended	14,526.42	2,181.05
Net (expenditure)/income	3,236.70	1,940.71

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements