

Company Registration Number 08674626 (England and Wales)

DATA ORCHARD C.I.C.
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2020
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DATA ORCHARD C.I.C.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2020.

Principal activities

Data Orchard C.I.C is a community interest company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales.

Directors

The directors who held office during the period and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

S S Basker
C J Gooding
N E James
M A Spinks
C D Worthy

Summary of financial activities

We have changed our accounting period so these accounts are for a 7 month period. They show an operating deficit due to significant investment in a key product for our company funded by grants and reserves, which is now yielding returns. We continue to balance maintaining cashflow with investment in our staff and products to ensure growth in the future.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

On behalf of the board



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M A Spinks
Director

Date: 20 November 2020

DATA ORCHARD C.I.C.

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

	2020		2019	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		1,804		2,271
Current assets	41,764		81,417	
Prepayments and accrued income	9,191		237	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(28,819)		(51,329)	
Net current assets		22,136		30,325
Total assets less current liabilities		23,940		32,596
Net assets		23,940		32,596
Capital and reserves		23,940		32,596

Notes to the financial statements

1 Employees

The average number of persons, including directors, employed by the company during the period was as follows:

	2020 Number	2019 Number
Employees	3	5

Data Orchard C.I.C. is a community interest company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Lower House Business Park, Staunton on Wye, Hereford, HR4 7LR.

For the period ended 31 March 2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and in accordance with FRS 105 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime' and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

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BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 20 November 2020 and are signed on its behalf by:



M A Spinks
Director

Company Registration Number 08674626

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Community Interest Company Report

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Data Orchard C.I.C.

Company Number

8674626

Year Ending

31st March 2020

This template illustrates what the Regulator of Community Interest Companies considers to be best practice for completing a simplified community interest company report. All such reports must be delivered in accordance with section 34 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 and contain the information required by Part 7 of the Community Interest Company Regulations 2005. For further guidance see chapter 8 of the Regulator's guidance notes and the alternate example provided for a more complex company with more detailed notes.

PART 1 - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

In the space provided below, please insert a general account of the company's activities in the financial year to which the report relates, including a description of how they have benefited the community.

Note this report relates to the shortened 7 month financial year due to a decision to change our annual accounting period from 3rd September – 2nd September to 1st April – 31st March.

Over the past 7 months (3rd September 2019- 31st March 2020) Data Orchard has worked on 27 projects which have benefited communities and society in the following ways:

- Launched a free online data maturity assessment and benchmarking tool for the not-for-profit sector. Which has enabled over 500 people from 300 organisations to gain an objective view on how their organisation is doing with data, improve their understanding about important factors and questions, and raise aspirations about what's possible. Moreover, the tool has supported users to devise and implement data strategy/improvement plans and reap the rewards of becoming more data savvy organisations.
- Supported public sector organisations to improve their data capabilities in order that they can deliver better services to communities e.g. supported the Department for Transport in assessing data maturity; worked with our partners at Epimorphics on a data standards and data flows projects for the Food Standards Agency; worked with Data Cymru to remix and develop existing training resources around data skills tailored for Welsh public services.
- Published a series of six spotlight reports related to community wellbeing on our website for use by the voluntary and community sector, infrastructure organisations and public sector bodies. Using data from our 2018 quality of life residents survey in Herefordshire the previous year, these focused on: Access to the Natural Environment and Wellbeing; Arts, Culture, Heritage and Wellbeing; Unpaid Carers; Social Capital and Cohesion; Managing Costs; and People with Disabilities or Long Term Illness.
- Supported volunteers in a rural community village (Dilwyn) to develop and analyse surveys consulting their residents on community needs, housing and business development as part of their Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- Delivered 4 community mapping projects: an online interactive welsh language map of Wales on openstreetmap, Mapio Cymru; published an open access Food Poverty Risk Map to help the Food Poverty Alliance partnership target their work to reduce hunger and access to affordable, healthy food (we open shared our approach and were pleased to see it replicated in Dorset; tested and recommended approaches for improved mapping of Community Businesses in England for Power to Change; built a data driven story map and trained a community group in Telford and Wrekin to manage and update this in preparing to commemorate the 200 year anniversary of the 'Cinderloo' a miners uprising.
- Began a new evaluation project with a partnership of 23 voluntary and community organisations in Shropshire and Herefordshire aimed at supporting marginalised and disadvantaged people into training, volunteering and jobs.
- Supported charities working with older people (Age UK Herefordshire and Worcestershire) and disadvantaged younger people (YSS in Worcestershire) to improve how they measure their impact.

- Supported a housing group (of five companies) in the East Midlands to review the quality of their equality, diversity and inclusion data for tenants, staff and board and develop plans to improve this.
- Worked with partners to support a 'Great Places' project to accelerate the data capabilities of 20 arts, cultural, heritage organisations in Herefordshire through developing case studies, a data playbook, and delivering training workshops.
- Contributed to the improvement of the environment by: continuing an annual long term tracking study on people's changing travel behaviours for Herefordshire Council; and analysing a consultation with young people on climate change for a borough council in London.
- Designed workshops, training and presentations for 13 events (run by Data Orchard or other organisations) and participated in a further 5 networking/collaboration events, reaching an audience of approximately 740 people in the not-for-profit and public sectors. This contributed to build knowledge, skills, and awareness of good practice about the importance and value of data.
- Participated in the national Data4Good partnership (which we'd initiated and led in 2018 for the UK's first Data4Good Conference) to develop plans towards the Data4Good Festival in 2021.
- Contributed to local economy by providing work for 10 people (9 local), and by using services of local and national businesses and cooperatives.

PART 2 – CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS – Please indicate who the company's stakeholders are; how the stakeholders have been consulted and what action, if any, has the company taken in response to feedback from its consultations? If there has been no consultation, this should be made clear.

Data Orchards' stakeholders are community groups, charities, social enterprises, housing associations/registered housing providers and public sector organisations interested in using data for social/community good. On completion of projects, our clients are invited to provide feedback about their satisfaction, service quality, and the impact of Data Orchard's services. Key findings for 2019-2020 show:

- Client satisfaction is high with 100% of those who responded to our feedback request saying they were very satisfied with the service they. This was based on feedback from seven projects completed in the Sept 2019- March 2020 time period. Two further projects did not respond to our request.
- 75% said they chose to work with us primarily because of our knowledge of the local area/context or knowledge of the subject/issue.
- Our Net Promotor Score on how likely our clients were to recommend us was 75 (on a scale of -100 to +100) the average not-profit score is 56. Examples of feedback on why clients would recommend us include:

"Found the Data Orchard staff to be collaborative, responsive and effective. Final reporting was clear and valuable." Rural Media Company, lead partner for 'Herefordshire, A Great Place' project.

"Very personalised service, subject expertise (mapping) and genuine interest in our project", Cinderloo Community History Group.

"We valued the skills that Data Orchard brought in helping us understand the local context, the data we were working with, and the presentation of that data." Brightspace Foundation, Food Poverty Risk Mapping project.
- Key ways clients used or planned to use our research in the future were to: inform future planning and strategy (71%), to support funding applications (71%), to improve products and services (57%), to evidence needs (57%), to inform policies (43%) and communicate their impact (43%). Examples of how clients told us how their organisation or community had benefited included:

"Helping us to provide the evidence of need which will work towards a bigger project and to use to apply for further funding. " Food Poverty Alliance, Herefordshire

"Being able to visualise and share route map of historic event in simple and engaging manner" Cinderloo Community History Group

"The project outcomes are currently being implemented within a redesign of how we function as an organisation so that delivery support to our clients is more responsive and appropriate. We will be able to use the improvements to our data systems in order to provide a more comprehensive service together with an effective ongoing feedback and impact measurement. This will then influence our future planning and reporting processes." Anonymous respondent

"Insight and understanding that fed into future strategy and planning." Rural Media Company, lead partner for 'Herefordshire, A Great Place' project.

- For our data maturity assessment and benchmarking tool we involved hundreds of not-for-profit organisations, serving all kinds of beneficiary communities, in our user research and consultation to create a valuable and useable tool to help drive organisations, and the whole sector, forward.

We use our client feedback and the results of our research on the needs of our client groups to design new and improved products and services to meet their needs.

PART 3 – DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION – if you have provided full details in your accounts you need not reproduce it here. Please clearly identify the information within the accounts and confirm that, "There were no other transactions or arrangements in connection with the remuneration of directors, or compensation for director's loss of office, which require to be disclosed" (See example with full notes). If no remuneration was received you must state that "no remuneration was received" below.

The aggregate amount of emoluments paid to or receivable by Directors in respect of qualifying services was £34,181 (gross salaries paid for this accounting period). There were no other transactions or arrangements in connection with the remuneration of directors, or compensation for director's loss of office, which require to be disclosed.

PART 4 – TRANSFERS OF ASSETS OTHER THAN FOR FULL CONSIDERATION – Please insert full details of any transfers of assets other than for full consideration e.g. Donations to outside bodies. If this does not apply you must state that "no transfer of assets other than for full consideration has been made" below.

No transfer of assets other than for full consideration has been made.

PART 5 – SIGNATORY

The original report must be signed by a director or secretary of the company

Signed

M Spinks

Date

3rd Dec
2020

Office held: Director

You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite but if you do, it will help the Registrar of Companies to contact you if there is a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

Madeleine Spinks

Director

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When you have completed and signed the form, please attach it to the accounts and send both forms by post to the Registrar of Companies at:

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