Bristol Food Network CIC

Company No. 08838348

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Directors Report Registrar

The Directors present their report and the accounts for the year ended 31 January 2020.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company during the year under review was promoting a sustainable food strategy for Bristol.

Directors

The Directors who served at any time during the year were as follows:

- J.K. Carey
- S. Davies
- D.S. Rochman
- S. Sharma
- K. Sponsler
- J. Stevenson

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime as set out in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Signed on behalf of the board

K. Sponsler

Director

05 November 2020

Bristol Food Network CIC Balance Sheet Registrar

at 31 January 2020

Company No. 08838348	Notes	2020	2019
		£	£
Current assets			
Debtors	4	1,103	5,379
Cash at bank and in hand		105,633	59,404
	_	106,736	64,783
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	5	(92,870)	(53,893)
Net current assets	_	13,866	10,890
Total assets less current liabilities		13,866	10,890
Provisions for liabilities			
Deferred taxation	6	•	-
Net assets		13,866	10,890
Reserves			
Income and expenditure account		13,866	10,890
Total equity	_	13,866	10,890

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime of the Companies Act 2006.

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

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

As permitted by section 444 (5A)of the Companies Act 2006 the directors have not delivered to the Registrar a copy of the company's income and expenditure account.

Approved by the board on 05 November 2020

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And signed on its behalf by:

K. Sponsler Director

05 November 2020

for the year ended 31 January 2020

1 General information

Bristol Food Network CIC is a private company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England and Wales.

Its registered number is: 08838348

Its registered office is:

3 Burlington Road

Bristol

BS6 6TJ

The functional and presentational currency of the company is Sterling. The accounts are rounded to the nearest pound.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 Section 1A - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (March 2018) and the Companies Act 2006. The March 2018 edition of FRS 102 includes amendments arising from the Financial Reporting Council's triennial review of the standard. There is no material effect on the amounts recognised in these accounts as a result of early adopting these amendments.

2 Accounting policies

Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Turnover is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when all the following conditions are satisfied:

- the Company has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods;
- the Company retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Company; and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Specifically, revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when goods are delivered and legal title is passed.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from the surplus as reported in the income and expenditure account because of items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax is recognised on timing differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible timing differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised. The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset realised, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Current or deferred tax for the year is recognised in the income and expenditure account, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Grants

Grants are credited to deferred income. Grants towards capital expenditure are released to the profit and loss account over the expected useful life of the assets. Grants towards revenue expenditure are released to the profit and loss account as the related expenditure is incurred.

Provisions

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Company a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to the income and expenditure account in the year that the Company becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at balance sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the balance sheet.

3 Employees

	2020 Number	2019 Number
The average number of persons employed during the year: 6		6
4 Debtors	•	
	2020	2019
	£	£
Trade debtors	<u>-</u>	3,578
Deferred tax asset (see note 6)	1,103	1,801
	1,103	5,379
5 Creditors:		
amounts falling due within one year		
	2020	2019
. •	£	£
Other taxes and social security	370	226
Accruals and deferred income	92,500	53,667
	92,870	53,893

6 Provisions for liabilities Deferred taxation

	Accelerated		
	Capital	,	
	Allowances,	•	
•	Losses and		
	Other		•
	Timing	•	
	Differences		Total
	£		£
At 1 February 2019	(1,801)		(1,801)
Charge to the income and expenditure account for the year	698		698
At 31 January 2020	(1,103)		(1,103)
Deferred tax asset (see note 4)			
	2020		2019
	£	•	£
Tax losses	(1,103)		(1,801)
	(1,103)	• •	(1,801)

7 Reserves

Income and expenditure account - includes all current and prior period retained surpluses and deficits.

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Year Ending

31 January 2020

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.

Bristol Food Network C.I.C. supports, informs and connects individuals, community projects, organisations and businesses who share a vision to transform Bristol into a sustainable food city. In 2019 Bristol Food Network was involved in the following projects that helped to deliver on these various aims among various stakeholders in the city-wide food community as well as the wider public:

Going for Gold campaign

In March 2016, Bristol won a Silver Sustainable Food Cities Award. In Spring 2017 we were successful recipients in the 1st Round of Sustainable Food Cities (SFC) Coordinator Grants. We were then successful in obtaining follow-on SFC funding from September 2018, with a further grant from April 2019. The primary object of the funding in each instance was to employ a part-time coordinator to help develop and facilitate Bristol's plans to become a Gold standard Sustainable Food City – which has become our 'Going for Gold' (G4G) campaign.

Bristol Going for Gold is an initiative to involve the whole city in an ambition to make Bristol's food system better – better for our people, better for our city, and better for the planet. That ambition begins with a collective effort to ensure that we rebuild our food system with resilience at its core, and a bid to be recognised as one of the UK's first Gold Sustainable Food Cities.

Going for Gold is a partnership initiative, coordinated by Bristol Food Network, Bristol Green Capital Partnership (BGCP), Bristol City Council (BCC) and Resource Futures. It has a steering group which meets quarterly, hosted by BCC and chaired by Deputy Mayor Asher Craig.

Communications: The primary engagement tool for the Going for Gold campaign is a website which was launched in March 2019. The website content was put together by representatives from the partner organisations in Going for Gold, with expertise co-opted from other G4G theme leads in the city. Subsequent Comms work was supported by the regular meeting of a Comms group.

Our focus through most of the year has been on communication and public engagement with the website as the primary tool, but also including work on stakeholder analysis, audience segmentation and development of a communication plan with clear key messages. Most of the campaign work has been online, with the development of a well-populated blog at:

https://www.goingforgoldbristol.co.uk/category/news/, and a social media campaign run via Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. We also developed some physical promotional tools for face-to-face public engagement work e.g. business card-sized summaries; pull-up bannerstand.

BGCP, working with BFN, raised funds to support the campaign using a sponsorship approach. Contributions have supported coordination of the programme, the development of the dedicated website, delivery of engagement events, and marketing and communications.

BGCP, working in conjunction with BFN again, ran a series of 6 business breakfasts themed around the G4G action areas: Buying better; Food waste; Urban growing; Community action; Eating Better; Food equality.

Core documents: Much of the strategic coordination work in the first quarter of 2019 involved refining two collective Going for Gold documents.

- 1. Work has gone into a detailed internal document that sets out the six work strands and what outcomes we want to achieve by 2020. This has involved a lot of consultation, to and fro with the key players involved with each of the six strands. This process has also clearly been of great value to other groups and organisations. For example, in working to clarify outcomes in relation to 'Food Vulnerabilities' this has highlighted other key players who are not yet included and also helped to crystallize Feeding Bristol's own emerging strategy. By supporting a group of urban growers and supporters who have re-emerged to focus on safeguarding land for food, the strategic coordinator has been supporting their process of thinking and planning, is facilitating wider engagement and encouraging them to become a G4G action group with representation on the steering group.
- Related to this document, a shorter summary has been drafted which will become the core 'go to' document and from which the communication messages are being developed.

Food Waste Action Group (FWAG): the Food Waste coordination role of Resource Futures has resulted in the establishment of a robust action group, which is actively planning and working together.

Identifying and filling gaps: With ongoing BCC budget cuts that have a knock-on effect on practical initiatives, gaps are emerging that have an impact on the G4G plans. The strategic coordinator has connected up key people to address gaps; for example helping to facilitate the hiring of a children's cookery teacher by BCC's Head of Children's Centres to work with food insecure families; and by helping to establish a meeting of academics with practitioners to explore ways to monitor impact in relation to early years food education.

Engaging with university students, and connecting them with G4G work. The strategic coordinator was invited to launch and then judge an annual University of Bristol student competition, with the theme this year being: *How can students, the university and the Bristol public address the problems with the local and global food industry?*Focusing on three main sub-categories:

- 1) Food waste management
- 2) Food inequality: the hunger-obesity paradox
- 3) Food distribution: packaging and the use of single-use plastics

The outcome was that not one but two groups won financial prizes, and of the four proposals, two are already being encouraged to connect in with G4G. Having a 'real-life' connection for the students' proposals added a new dimension to the competition.

Other activities

Bristol's Get Growing Garden Trail 2019; The Get Growing Garden Trail is a shared open day (or days) for community growing projects in Bristol. It allows visitors to explore allotments, community orchards and smallholdings which are not normally open to the public, and for participating groups to attract new volunteers. Bristol Food Network have helped to run the event since 2011.

This year, we decided to run Get Growing throughout the month of June again, as we had in 2018. This time, we tried to organise coordinated open days in different parts of the city, e.g.

with all community gardens in the South of the city opening over the same weekend. The event was funded by R H Southern Trust. 32 projects took part.

Community Fridge Network: We continued to support the development of the Community Fridge Network in Bristol, which was launched in April with the first fridge installed at Compass Point children's centre.

Bristol's Local Food Update newsletter and website: We continued sending out our MailChimp newsletter which we redesigned to try and drive as much traffic as possible to the Going for Gold and Bristol Food Network websites. The number of subscribers has held steady at around 1500.

Working with Partners: Bristol Food Network extends its reach by being represented on several city-wide organisations such as the Bristol Food Policy Council, Bristol Green Capital Partnership board, West of England Procurement Group. Bristol Good Food Alliance, and Feeding Bristol. The Bristol Green Capital Partnership is made up of 800 member organisations across the City and sponsors both Quarterly Gatherings around specific themes and Monthly Green Mingle meetups.

Bristol One City Plan and the 'Our Future' vision

Launched in January 2019 by Bristol's elected Mayor, Marvin Rees, the One City Plan describes where we want Bristol to be by 2050, and how city partners will work together to create a fair, healthy and sustainable city.

https://bristolgreencapital.org/bristol-launches-first-ever-one-city-plan/

The Good Food ambition has been written into the One City Plan (OCP). The Bristol Green Capital Partnership (BGCP) has produced a complementary environmental plan that connects to the OCP and includes food. <u>Our Future: A Vision for an Environmentally Sustainable Bristol.</u> (Jan 2019)

The SFC coordinator's role was critical to achieving this. This document has food-related targets up to 2050 and will help to keep food system change on the city agenda. It provides a stronger context for the Going for Gold work, which can be seen as a first stage of work towards those targets.

Going for Gold was featured at one of the Mayor's **Hot Coffee Hot Topic** sessions in September 2019. The purpose of these sessions is to introduce topics across the whole of the Council, rather than issues remaining siloed.

At the **City Gathering** in 10th January 2020, Going for Gold was voted one of three city priorities for 2020. This has meant that the Mayor's Office has become more engaged in our strategic engagement work.

Thanks to our grants from various sources, we were able to increase our employment of people working on the G4G campaign, from 4 to 9 part-time self-employed roles.

Most of the following roles were contracted on a 1-day or 2-day a week basis:
Going for Gold coordinator
Catering & Procurement coordinator
Food Businesses recruitment
Food Waste coordinator
Communications coordinator
Communications content

Social media
Public engagement coordinator
Community engagement coordinator

Towards the end of 2019 we were joined by a team of young managers from **Jacobs** who approached us with an offer of pro-bono work: Going for Gold support as a focus for a project management competition. They provided expertise on website analytics and also scoped out a plan to increase engagement in Going for Gold's food initiatives, helping target large businesses in the Bristol Temple Quarter Enterprise Zone.

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.

In 2019 Bristol Food Network communicated with over 1500 monthly newsletter subscribers, interacted with several other city-wide organisations through being represented on the Green Capital Partnership Board, Bristol Food Policy Council, the West of England Procurement Group, Feeding Bristol, Bristol Good Food Alliance, and led or hosted several networking meetings, business breakfasts and roundtable discussions at various food-related events and as part of our Sustainable Food Cities Going for Gold initiative.

We were invited to join and contribute to the Bristol City Council's Brexit Response Group, at which we have raised various issues in relation to the food agenda. There has been no other formal consultation.

(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").

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.

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. All transaction are identified in the accounts.

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 Diff Spoke

Date 26////20

Office held (delete as appropriate) Director/Secretary

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.

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DX Number	DX Exchange	

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