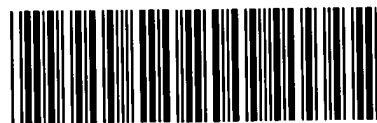


Company Registration Number: 09653505

NatureEd C.I.C.
Unaudited Financial Statements
Period Ended 30 June 2020

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COMPANY INFORMATION

for the year ended 30 June 2020

Registered Name	NatureEd C.I.C.
Company Number	09653505
Registered Office	103 Delph Lane Delph Oldham Lancashire OL3 5UP
Directors	Judith Anne Lawley Alderson Judith McIntyre Murray Eleanor Sherwin Murray David Chalmers (appointed 13/12/2019)
Accountants	Community Accounting Lancashire C.I.C. Foxfields 9 Norley Close Chadderton Oldham OL1 2RA
Bankers	Lloyds Bank PLC 16 Market Place Oldham OL1 1JG

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DIRECTORS REPORT for the year ended 30 June 2020

The Directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2020.

Principal Activities

The principal activity of the company is to carry out activities which benefit the community and in particular (without limitation) to support local communities to enjoy and benefit their local green spaces.

We meet our aims by

- Raising eco-awareness, knowledge and skills within the community
- Promoting local heritage and culture

Achieving these aims will benefit the community by

- Improving health and wellbeing
- Protecting green spaces
- Encouraging community ownership
- Developing citizenship skills
- Increasing knowledge and skills
- Promoting environmental sustainability
- Raising awareness of local space
- Promoting pride of place

Structure, Governance and Management

The Company is a Community Interest Company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 9th June 2015

The Board of Directors are responsible for the management of company business for which purpose they may exercise all of the powers ascribed to them in the Company's Articles of Association. They have the power to admit any person or organisation to membership on receipt of their application. The members of the company agree to contribute a sum not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

Appointment of Directors

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and is permitted to do so, may be appointed to the Board of Directors by a decision of existing directors

Directors of the company

The Directors who held office during the year were as follows:

- Judith Anne Lawley Alderson
- Murray David Chalmers
- Judith McIntyre Murray
- Eleanor Sherwin

Organisation

The Board, which must not be less than two members, administers the company and meets as necessary

Risk Management

The Directors have undertaken a review of the major risks to which the company is exposed, and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Periodic reviews are made to ensure that the company continues to identify and mitigate any major risk that may arise. The major financial risks facing the company arise in connection with:

- The short term nature of project funding as highlighted by the ongoing impact of the current COVID-19 pandemic
- The on-going uncertainty of the agreement arrangements for the Education Base at Hollingworth Lake and use of associated Council land from April 2017 onwards

The company may also face continuing organisational challenges in aligning its resources to meet the requirements of its customers, whilst maintaining its financial viability.

DIRECTORS REPORT
for the year ended 30 June 2020

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Company are to carry out activities which benefit the community and in particular (without limitation) to support local communities to enjoy and benefit their local green spaces.

Achievement and Performance

The CIC has continued to deliver high quality environmental educational experiences to the local community, developing existing and new partnerships to expand the opportunities we offer. Whilst all site-based sessions were cancelled / postponed from 19th March in line with COVID-19 restrictions, we were able to provide some home-based activities for vulnerable and key worker children as ongoing support.

During the financial year 1st July 2019 – 30th June 2020, a total of 97 sessions were delivered with 1730 young people and 690 adults participating plus 15 home-based activities shared with 130 plus vulnerable children and their families during lockdown and a further 8 booked site-based sessions still to be delivered as/when restrictions lift. NatureEd CIC has a range of well qualified freelance facilitators to deliver sessions under a recognisable kite mark of quality at an affordable cost. A key achievement has been continuing to support our community by extending the range of our activities, and also adapting our delivery methods which has helped sustain and diversify participation. Prior to lockdown and having to work remotely, new outreach projects included running holiday events for families at libraries across the borough, providing activity days for Looked After Children at Oulder Hill and a public event at Bowlee Community Park. Also thanks to funding secured from the Pennines Township, we have worked with local Primary Schools developing bee-friendly areas in their own grounds whilst a further grant has helped us to continue our regular outdoor play sessions for under 5's at Ealees. Dig n Delve has proved to be a popular programme and we were delighted when the project was included in some filming for the Dippy on Tour exhibition. Other successes have been developing new "whole school" outdoor learning programmes and curriculum-linked workshops explaining natural flood management methods being implemented locally by Rochdale Council and the Environment Agency.

Whilst unfortunately the COVID-19 pandemic forced most of our work to be put on hold, we hope to have all NatureEd CIC activities up and running again soon so that we can get back to helping more people to enjoy learning about their green space, experiencing the health and well-being benefits of the outdoor environment and actively helping to conserve the wildlife of the area.

Feedback from the sessions were very positive with 100% of the total responses received rating good or better. Comments included:

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DIRECTORS REPORT for the year ended 30 June 2020

Financial Review

The organisation operates on an income by making affordable charges to the schools and community groups who make use of the services the CIC offers. Charges cover the fees of qualified facilitators, the provision of all specialist equipment and resources as well as the necessary administration costs for ensuring a safe and rewarding experience for everyone involved (e.g. insurance, DBS checks, training, promotion, etc.). The CIC also accesses grant funding to help support the provision of services to target audiences who may struggle to meet these charges and also for the helping to fund the sustainable development of the CIC.

The suspension of all site-based activities due to COVID-19 restrictions and corresponding loss of income impacted severely on the final quarter of 2019~20. Whilst an emergency financial review by Directors was able to confirm that there was sufficient funds in the short term, it was noted that longer term the CIC may need to look at alternative ways of covering necessary administration costs and also, to meet some potential increased costs as a result from new COVID-19 control measures needed as/ when restrictions lift. The possible use of reserve and applying for additional funding were identified as options to consider.

Reserves Policy

The CIC operates on a not-for-profit basis with charges set to fully recover the day to day costs of operation. However, the CIC does retain a small reserve to ensure adequate cash flow and longer term financial security. This has proved to be essential in light of the COVID-19 pandemic which has severely impacted the CIC's operation since March 2020 and is likely to continue affecting our provision. Also prior to the lockdown restrictions, some surplus was used to support projects which may not otherwise be able to run but that meet the objectives of the CIC. In 2019~20, this included part funding a Wreath making session for adults, providing subsidised sessions for Dig 'n' Delve Under 5's group, Holy Trinity CE Primary School Forest School programme and Ranger Service Forest Fun events. Some funds were also used to pay facilitators for collating the necessary evidence for supporting grant bids and also to cover some late cancellation fees for sessions booked when lockdown restrictions were initially imposed.

In order to maintain this reserve, the Directors continue to provide the main office overhead costs and their time and expertise on a voluntary basis including CIC administration, scoping grant applications, attending meetings, etc. Also, the agreement with RBC includes the education base overhead costs as in-kind support. Longer term, reserves will be built up where funding secured through grant aid helps contribute to the overhead and development costs of the CIC, and also where donations and / or in kind support such as volunteer time, resources, etc. free up actual cash income from projects.

At the year end, the company had free reserves of £3,286.

Plans for the future

NatureEd CIC is a well-established enterprise delivering high quality experiences in Rochdale and the surrounding areas. As well as directly benefiting the young people involved, we are helping the wider community of Rochdale as we inspire and nurture the next generation of eco-champions.

The overall aim for 2020~21 will be to review operations as/when restrictions lift and to re-establish our provision encouraging people to get involved in enjoying and learning about their local green space.

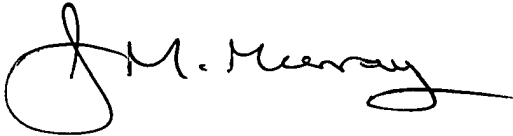
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**DIRECTORS REPORT
for the year ended 30 June 2020**

Objectives for 2020 ~ 21 include:

- Continue to monitor the business viability of the CIC during the current situation.
- Support existing customers and our freelance facilitators by working towards developing procedures and implementing appropriate COVID-19 control measures to allow a phased re-start of site-based activities in line with government guidance and / or to continue supporting schools and communities remotely as required.
- Focus our priorities on the most vulnerable sectors of the community both by working cooperatively with other organisations to provide funded projects as well as in kind and/or financial support from CIC reserves when available.
- Actively seek funding for maintaining and extending the range of activities and audience participation as/when available whilst ensuring we continue to protect the biodiversity value of the countryside and green spaces we are encouraging people to enjoy.
- Continue to liaise with Link4Life and RBC to explore the potential of new partnerships, with particular reference to the proposed changes of management at Hollingworth Lake and the establishment of an administration office alongside our educational base as part of the longer term strategy and business planning of the CIC.

Approved by the Board on the 12th of October 2020 and signed on their behalf by:



J M Murray
Director

NatureEd C.I.C.

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

for the year ended 30 June 2020

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the accounts of NatureEd C.I.C. for the year ended 30 June 2020 from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

This report is made to the company's Board of Directors, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter.

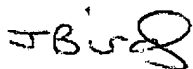
Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of NatureEd C.I.C. and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the Board of Directors, as a body, and for no other purpose.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than NatureEd C.I.C. and its Board of Directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that NatureEd C.I.C. has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of NatureEd C.I.C. You consider that NatureEd C.I.C. is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the accounts of NatureEd C.I.C.

For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory accounts.



14th October 2020

Miss Jacqueline Bird F.M.A.A.T.
Community Accounting Lancashire C.I.C.
Foxfields
9 Norley Close
Chadderton
Oldham
OL1 2RA

NatureEd C.I.C.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 June 2020

		2020	2019
	<i>Notes</i>	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	2	522	1,016
Cash at Bank and in Hand		<u>5,732</u>	<u>4,024</u>
		6,254	5,040
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	3	(2,968)	(1,881)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>3,286</u>	<u>3,159</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>3,286</u>	<u>3,159</u>
RESERVES			
Profit & Loss Reserve		<u>3,286</u>	<u>3,159</u>
TOTAL RESERVES	5	<u>3,286</u>	<u>3,159</u>

For the year ended 30 June 2020 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.


The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2019 in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- i. ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and;
- ii. preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies' subject to the small companies' regime.

The accounts were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on the 12th of October 2020 and signed on their behalf by:


J M Murray
Director

The notes on page 10 form part of these accounts.

NatureEd C.I.C.

PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 30 June 2020

		2020	2019
	<i>Notes</i>	£	£
Turnover	1	21,263	30,168
Cost of Sales		19,204	26,060
Gross Profit		2,059	4,108
Administration Expenses		1,932	4,264
Operating Profit/(Loss)		127	(156)
Interest Receivable and similar income		-	-
Interest Payable and similar charges		-	-
Profit /(Loss) on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation		127	(156)
Tax on Profit/(Loss) on Ordinary Activities	4	-	-
Profit /(Loss) for the Financial Year after Taxation		127	(156)

NatureEd C.I.C.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the Companies Act 2006 and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

Turnover

Turnover represents amounts chargeable in respect of services to schools and community groups. Income from grants is recognised when the company has entitlement to the funds, and it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred. Income received in advance of a provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition is met.

2. DEBTORS	2020	2019
	£	£
Trade Debtors	-	475
Prepayments	522	541
	<u>522</u>	<u>1,016</u>

3. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	2020	2019
	£	£
Accruals and Deferred Income	2,968	1,881
Taxation (refer to note 4)	-	-
	<u>2,968</u>	<u>1,881</u>

4. TAXATION

	2020
	£
Profit/(Loss) on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation	127
Corporation Tax (at the current rate of 19%)	(24)
Factors affecting Corporation Tax Charge for the Year:	
Trading Losses Carried Forward (from previous year)**	<u>156</u>
Corporation Tax Charge for the Year	<u>=</u>
<i>** being £156 from the trading loss for the year ending 30 June 2019</i>	

5. RESERVES

	Profit and Loss Account
	£
At 1 July 2019	3,159
Profit for the year	<u>127</u>
At 30 June 2020	<u>3,286</u>

6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the financial year to the 30th June 2020 there were no related party transactions or activities.

7. COMPANY STATUS

The company is limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital. The liability of the members upon winding up of the company is limited to £1.

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for the year ended 30 June 2020

The following page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

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DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 30 June 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
Turnover		
Grants (Core)	2,595	2,291
Schools	6,430	4,900
Community Groups	11,955	22,671
Other	283	306
	<u>21,263</u>	<u>30,168</u>
 Fees	 19,204	 26,060
 Gross Profit	 <u>2,059</u>	 <u>4,108</u>
 Administration Expenses		
Services	-	-
Maintenance	-	-
Equipment	200	2,016
Equipment Hire	-	-
Postage & Stationery	106	232
Website	243	294
Marketing & Publicity	-	-
Training	-	-
Volunteer Expenses	-	333
Insurance	715	721
Accountancy Fees	640	640
Companies House Filing	28	28
Other	-	-
	<u>1,932</u>	<u>4,264</u>
 Profit/(Loss) Before Taxation	 <u>127</u>	 <u>(156)</u>

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NatureEd Community Interest Company

Company Number

09653505

Year Ending

30/06/20

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09653505
30/06/20

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

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During the financial year 01/07/19 – 30/06/20:

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PART 2 – CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS

NatureEd CIC's main stakeholders are the local schools, community groups and families who take part in our activities, together with the land managers and other organisations who are responsible for the green spaces and heritage in Rochdale that we help people to enjoy and benefit. These include Rochdale Council, Link4Life, Friends of Groups, private landowners, Touchstones, Bowlee Community Park, Pennine Prospects, etc.

The CIC has a good working relationship with local teachers, community leaders and other professionals who we are in regular contact with. We also liaise closely with land managers, often meeting on a daily basis on our main sites, to ensure that the activities we offer promote sustainable use and care of the biodiversity and heritage of the area.

The CIC has a website (www.NatureEd.co.uk), Facebook page (www.facebook.com/NatureEdcic) and other marketing material describing the activities we can offer. Group leaders are asked to complete a booking form identifying aims and the learning outcomes they would like NatureEd to help them achieve and we tailor our activities to suit. We then use a variety of different approaches to help get feedback from the young people and also the adults. During the sessions, children might take part in voting or use our *chuff line*, whilst at the end, group leaders and / or everyone will be asked to fill in an evaluation form helping us to review and improve our service. In particular, this feedback is used to decide what new activities to include in our Education Guide and events we deliver in partnership with other organisations

As well as curriculum-linked activities, we also run community events which actively engage local people in the practical care of their own environment. We use these events to listen and respond to people's interests and concerns, drawing on this information to direct future development and funding bids by the CIC.

We monitor attendance and feedback on a quarterly basis and include in a summary which is circulated to Rochdale Council as part of our agreement for working on council-owned land. We also attend regular meetings with the senior officers, rangers, Link4Life officers, friends of groups, etc. enabling the CIC to be an active partner in the long term care of the local environment.

PART 3 – DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

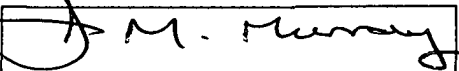
No remuneration was received

PART 4 – TRANSFERS OF ASSETS OTHER THAN FOR FULL CONSIDERATION

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 

Date 12/10/20

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.

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