Charity Number: SC015208 Company number: SC379557

# **Assynt Community Association**

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 30 June 2015

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# Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 June 2015

The trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2015.

# **Legal and Administrative Information**

**Charity name** 

**Assynt Community Association** 

**Charity number** 

SC015208

Company number

SC379557

Registered Office &

**Lochinver Mission** 

operational address

Lochinver Sutherland

**IV27 4LR** 

**Trustees** 

Mrs S Corkish (resigned 1 July 2014)

Mr N Goldie Mr S J Gudgeon

Mrs M Hinsley (resigned 20 October 2014)

Mrs M Hutchinson

Mr A M Johnston (resigned 17 June 2015)

Mr R Kerr Miss L Sedgley

Secretary

None appointed

Accountant

T P Wright

Chartered accountant

396 Elphin By Lairg Sutherland IV27 4HH

**Solicitors** 

Macleod and MacCallum

Solicitors 28 Queensgate Inverness IV1 1YN

Bankers

Royal Bank of Scotland

Lochinver Sutherland IV27 4LF

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 June 2015

### Structure, governance and management

## **Governing Document**

Assynt Community Association is a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2010, and is registered as a charity with the Scottish Charity Regulator. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute a sum not exceeding £1.

The structure of the company consists of:-

- (a) the MEMBERS who have the right to attend the annual general meeting (and any extraordinary general meeting) and have important powers under the articles of association and the Act; in particular, the members elect people to serve as trustees and take decisions in relation to changes to the articles themselves
- (b) the TRUSTEES (who are also the directors of Assynt Community Association for the purposes of company law) - who hold regular meetings during the period between annual general meetings, and generally control and supervise the activities of the company; in particular, the trustees are responsible for monitoring the financial position of the company.

Membership is open to any individual or organisation interested in promoting the Objects, who applies to the Charity in the form required by the trustees, is approved by the trustees and who signs the register of members or consents in writing to become a member either personally or (in the case of a member organisation) through an authorised representative.

## **Appointment of Trustees**

There is no maximum number of trustees, but a minimum number of 3, all of whom must be members. Trustees may be appointed by ordinary resolution of the members or by a decision of the trustees. One third of the trustees must retire at the first trustees' meeting in each calendar year, the longest-serving first; a retiring trustee who remains qualified may be re-appointed, although no trustee may be re-appointed under this mechanism for more than 3 consecutive terms of office.

# **Objectives**

The company's objects are the promotion of regeneration for the public benefit in and around Assynt particularly by:

- The advancement of education
- The advancement of citizenship or community development
- The advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science
- The advancement of public participation in sport
- The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the objects
  of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily
  intended
- The advancement of environmental protection or improvement
- The relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship of other disadvantage

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 June 2015

### Activities, achievements and performance

The start of the financial year was marked by the re-opening of the café and bunkhouse within the Mission building by the Assynt Community Trading, a subsidiary formed by ACA for this purpose. It commenced trading in May 2014 but it unfortunately failed to establish itself within the summer months of maximum business and by October it was evident it has not achieved a surplus to sustain it through the low season. Prompt action was taken by the parent company ACA to change the business model, and new tenants were able to re-open the café and bunkhouse on 1 April 2015. This has been working well and good progress has been made to resolve creditor liabilities. Once this process is completed the Association will have a regular source income to enable it to fulfil its charitable purposes and also give attention to accumulating reserves.

The other source of income for the Association (The Loo at the Lighthouse) has provided £1,000 from the donations made for the use of this much valued service, and funds from this source have been provided to assist with the purchase of new equipment for the two play parks in Lochinver.

The ACA has also continued to support the Community Archive (located within the Mission building) and this enables it to pursue its work digitising historical records and those relating to the unique flora and fauna of Assynt.

The Association has benefited greatly from the significant contribution of time and expertise provided by its Directors and this is much appreciated.

## **Financial review**

The accounts report a deficit on the unrestricted income fund for the year but, as outlined above, the situation is hoped to improve in the current year and going forwards. The deficit on restricted funds was primarily due to depreciation.

The trustees wish to accumulate reserves to cover the running costs of the Association and to pursue the objectives of the company as stated above.

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 June 2015

## Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Make sound judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- 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 keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

This report was approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by

Chair

Date: 19 March 2016

Report of the Independent Examiners to the Trustees for the year ended 30 June 2015

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2015 which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

# Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a-c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

## **Independent Examiners' Statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- 1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

T P Wright

Qualification

Chartered accountant

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Address

396 Elphin, By Lairg, Sutherland, IV27 4HH

Date

19 March 2016

Statement of financial activities (incorporating the income and expenditure account)

Year ended 30 June 2015

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2015	Total 2014
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
From generated funds					
Voluntary income	2	1,020	10,353	11,373	10,051
Investment income	3	1	<u>-</u>	1	8
Total incoming resources		1,021	10,353	11,374	10,059
Resources expended					
Costs of generating voluntary income					
Charitable activities	4	2,415	39,277	41,692	43,388
Governance costs	5	300	-	300	300
Total resources expended		2,715	39,277	41,992	43,688
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		(1,694)	(28,924)	(30,618)	(33,629)
Transfers	11	(377)	377	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		(2,071)	(28,547)	(30,618)	(33,629)
Total funds brought forward	11	666	565,107	565,773	599,402
Total funds carried forward	11	(1,405)	536,560	535,155	565,773

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements.

# **Balance** sheet

As at 30 June 2015

			2015		2014
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	7		536,560		563,389
Investments	8	-	1		1
			536,561		563,390
Current assets					
Debtors .	9	155		70	
Cash at bank and in hand	_	39	_	2,613	
		194		2,683	
Creditors: falling due within one year	10	1,600	_	300	
Net Current Assets			(1,406)		2,383
Total Net Assets		-	535,155		565,773
Total Net Assets		=	333,133	;	303,773
Represented by:					
Restricted income funds	11		536,560		565,107
Unrestricted income funds	11		(1,405)		666
Total funds		-	535,155		565,773

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to Section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (i) ensuring that the company keeps proper 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 income and expenditure 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 accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf on 19 March 2016

N Goldie

Chair

M Hutchinson

Director

Company registration number SC379557

# Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 30 June 2015

### 1 Accounting policies

## Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (revised March 2005) and the Companies Act 2006.

#### Consolidation

In the opinion of the members of the board, the charity and its subsidiary undertaking comprise a small-sized group, which is not required to prepare group accounts under the Companies Act 2006 and as gross income, excluding resources received as capital funds, is less than the Charities SORP limit, group accounts are not required under that regime either.

#### **Donations**

Donations received are recorded at the time the charity becomes entitled to the resource.

## Membership fees

Membership fees received are recorded at the time of receipt.

#### Grants

Grants received are included in incoming resources when they are receivable, except when conditions attached to such grants have not yet been fulfilled, when the income is deferred. Grants of a capital nature are treated as a restricted fund and released to the unrestricted funds over the life of the asset.

## Expenditure

Expenditure is included on the accruals basis, gross of irrecoverable VAT, and recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay.

## investments

Investments represent the cost of the share in the subsidiary company, Lochinver Mission Limited. As the latter transfers all profits on demand to Assynt Community Association it is felt that market value will not exceed cost.

## Fund accounting

Restricted funds: funds held which are resticted for use for specific purposes.

Unrestricted funds: funds which the trustees are free to use, in accordance with the charitable objects.

### Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Land - Not depreciated

Leasehold propery - Over the period of the lease (50 years)

Fixtures, fitting and equipment - Between 5 and 15 years straight line

Office equipment fittings etc. - Between 3 and 5 years straight line

Office equipment, fittings etc - Between 3 and 5 years straight line

Motor vehicles - Over 4 years straight line

### Taxation

The Association is accepted as a charity for tax purposes and relief given under S.505 Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

# Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 30 June 2015

2 Voluntary inco	ome
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2	Voluntary income				
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds	2015	2014
	·	£	£	£	£
	Donations				
	Subscriptions and donations	20		20	506
	Received from composting toilet at Stoer	1,000	-	1,000	500
	Grants etc				
	Composting toilet at Stoer	-	-	-	9,045
	Playpark equipment	<del>-</del>	10,353	10,353	<u>.</u>
		1,020	10,353	11,373	10,051
3	Investment income				
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds	2015	2014
		£	£	£	£
	Bank interest receivable	. 1	-	1	8
		1	<del></del> -	1	8
4	Resources expended on charitable activities				
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds	2015	2014
		£	£	£	£
	Composting toilet at Stoer	-	-	-	9,270
	Playpark equipment	•	12,690	12,690	-
	Property maintenance and sundries	423	-	423	350
	Depreciation	<u> </u>	26,587	26,587	29,127
		423	39,277	39,700	38,747
	Support costs				
	General insurance	1,454	-	1,454	1,348
	Other establishment expenses	-		-	1,042
	Bad debt	-	-	-	1,629
	Sundry expenses	296	-	296	353
	Depreciation	242	 		269
		1,992	<del></del> -	1,992 	4,641
	Total	2,415	39,277	41,692	43,388
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# Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 30 June 2015

# 5 Governance costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2015	Total 2014
	£	£	£	£
Examiner's fees	300	-	300	300
	300		300	300

# 6 Directors' remuneration and expenses

None of the directors (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or expenses during the period.

# 7 Tangible fixed assets

	Land £	Leasehold property £	Plant and equipment £	Motor vehicle £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost						
At 1 July 2014	5,871	477,664	159,653	8,000	953	652,141
At 30 June 2015	5,871	477,664	159,653	8,000	953	652,141
Depreciation						
At 1 July 2014	-	28,663	51,497	8,000	592	88,752
Charge for year		9,554	17,033		242	26,829
At 30 June 2015		38,217	68,530	8,000	834	115,581
Net Book Value						
At 30 June 2015	5,871	439,447	91,123		119	536,560
At 30 June 2014	5,871	449,001	108,156		361	563,389

## 8 Investments

Unlisted investments (unrestricted fund)	2015	2014
	£	£
Historic cost and market value		
At 1 July 2014	1	1
At 30 June 2015	1	1

The investment comprises a 100% shareholding in Assynt Community (Trading) Limited, a trading subsidiary, incorporated in Scotland. The subsidiary's accounts prepared to 31 March 2015 report the following position:

	otes to the financial statement ar ended 30 June 2015	ents				
					2015 £	
	Aggregate capital and reserves Profit / (loss) for the period			•	(14,141) (14,142)	
9	Debtors: falling due within one year					
					2015 £	2014 £
	Sundry debtors and prepayments Amounts owed by group undertakings				- 155	70 -
					155	70
10	Creditors: falling due within one year				2015	2014
					£	£
	Sundry creditors and accruals				1,600	300
11	Reserves	At 01/07/14	4 Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30/06/15
	Restricted funds Grants for purchase of former	£	£	£	£	£
	Seaman's Mission building, Lochinver Grants for purchase of playpark equipment	565,107	-	(26,587)	(1,960)	536,560
	for playgrounds in Lochinver	565,107	10,353	(12,690)	2,337 377	536,560
	Unrestricted funds	666	1,021	(2,715)	(377)	(1,405)
		565,773	11,374	(41,992)	<u>.</u>	535,155
	Represented by:		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2015 £	Total 2014 £
	Fixed assets Investments		119 1	536,441 -	536,560 1	563,389 1
	Net current assets Total funds		(1,525)	119 536,560	(1,406) 535,155	2,383 565,773
	· · ·		(1,403)		333,133	303,773

# Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 30 June 2015

# 12 Contingent liability and security given

There are contingent liabilities relating to grants received for the purchase of the building whereby, if the property is sold, a proportion of the grant may become repayable. It is not considered practicable to quantify any liability which might arise.

A legal charge over the leasehold property has been given and registered at Companies House in respect of the Big Lottery Fund grants.

## 13 Related party transactions

At the year end, the amount due from / (to) Assynt Community (Trading) Limited was £155.

# 14 Ultimate controlling party

The Assynt Community Association is a company limited by guarantee. The liability of members is limited and is not to exceed £1. The ultimate controlling party is therefore considered to be the board of trustees.