Charity Number: SC015208
Company number: SC379557

Assynt Community Association

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 30 June 2017

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 June 2017

The trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2017.

Legal and Administrative Information

Charity name Assynt Community Association

Charity number SC015208

Company number SC379557

Registered Office & The Mission operational address Culag Park Lochinver

Sutherland IV27 4LE

Trustees Mrs P Bangor- Jones (appointed 1 March 2017)

Mr B Hagart-Alexander

Mr N Goldie Mr S Gudgeon Mrs M Hutchinson

Mr W Jack (appointed 1 March 2017) Mr R Kerr (resigned 1 January 2017) Ms M Macphail (appointed 1 March 2017) Mr B O'Hanrahan (appointed 1 March 2017) Mr J Venters (appointed 1 March 2017)

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 2017

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 2nd 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 reappointed 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 2017

Activities, achievements and performance

In the year since the last annual accounts, the Association and its trading subsidiary Assynt Community (Trading) Ltd have enjoyed a year of operational and financial stability, due to the hard work and resultant success of the café and bunkhouse within the Lochinver Mission building. This yielded a regular source of income which enabled all the liabilities arising from the trading difficulties of the previous year to be settled and the Association looks forward with renewed hope to future gift aid from AC(T) Ltd. Meanwhile the Association has continued to fulfil its wider charitable purposes through allocation of small grants to various community groups and activities within Assynt, largely due to donations by users of the Loo at the Lighthouse.

Within the Mission building the Association continues to support the Community Archive, through provision of a space where members of the community can digitise information on various aspects of the natural and social history of the area. Consideration has been given as to how to make the Archive more accessible to members of the public. In the Spring of this year, the Association was able to respond to the closure of the Lochinver Visitor Centre by providing space within the Mission building for a temporary Visitor Information services and also space to store some of the displays and artefacts from the closed centre. This reflects a changing role for the Association within the community which we hope will lead in the coming year to its becoming a community development trust.

The Association is grateful for the significant contribution made by the Directors to its overall running on behalf of the wider community.

Financial review

Details of the results for the year are set out in the attached financial statements. The trustees are pleased to report a surplus on unrestricted funds for the year. The deficit on unrestricted funds primarily relates to depreciation of the Mission building.

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 2017

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

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Date: 16 March 2018

Report of the Independent Examiners to the Trustees for the year ended 30 June 2017

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2017 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

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

Address

396 Elphin, By Lairg, Sutherland, IV27 4HH

Date

16 March 2018

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

Year ended 30 June 2017

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Notes	Funds £	Funds £	2017 £	2016 £
Income and endowments from:	Notes	_	_	_	_
Donations and legacies	2	-	449	449	2,835
Investment income	3	1,668	-	1,668	130
Total incoming resources		3,818	449	4,267	4,765
Resources expended					
Charitable activities	5	3,121	22,656	25,777	30,118
Total resources expended		3,121	22,656	25,777	30,118
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		697	(22,207)	(21,510)	(25,353)
Total funds brought forward	11	(198)	510,000	509,802	535,155
Total funds carried forward	11	499	487,793	488,292	509,802

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 2017

			2017		2016
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	7		487,793		510,049
Investments	8		1		1
			487,794		510,050
Current assets					
Debtors	9	889		1,000	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,234		652	
	-	2,123		1,652	
Creditors: falling due within one year	10	1,625		1,900	
Net Current Assets			498		(248)
Total Net Assets			488,292		509,802
Represented by:					
Restricted income funds	11		487,793		510,000
Unrestricted income funds	11		499		(198)
Total funds			488,292		509,802

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 16 March 2018

Chair

Company registration number SC379557

Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 30 June 2017

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) - Charities SORP (FRS102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) 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, Assynt Community (Trading) 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

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

	otes to the financial statements or ended 30 June 2017				
2	Donations and legacies	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2017	Total 2016
	Donations	£	£	£	£
	Subscriptions and donations From composting toilet at Stoer Grants etc	-	-		120 1,000
	HIE - Community Broadband Scotland survey Community Learning Exchange	-	- 449	- 449	1,715 -
			449	449	2,835
3	Investment income				
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
	Bank interest receivable Gift aid from subsidiary	1 1,667	-	1 1,667	- 130
	·	1,668	-	1,668	130
4	Other incoming resources	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2017	Total 2016
		£	£	£	£
	Contribution to insurance and broadband	2,150		2,150	1,800
5	Resources expended on charitable activities				
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds £	Funds £	2017 £	2016 £
	Cost of carrying out broadband survey Community Learning Exchange costs	-	- 449	- 449	984 -
	Donation to Ullapool High School	-	-	-	250
	Donation to Assynt Leisure	250	-	250	-
	Donation to Assynt Summer Youth Projects Donation to Lochinver Playparks Group	250 250	-	250 250	-
	Depreciation	-	22,207	22,207	26,441
	General insurance	1,532	-	1,532	1,513
	Broadband	445	-	445	365
	Sundry expenses Examiner's fees	20 325	-	20 325	195 300
	Depreciation (unrestricted)	325 49	-	325 49	70
		3,121	22,656	25,777	30,118

Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 30 June 2017

6 Directors' remuneration and expenses

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

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7	Tangible fixed assets		Leasehold	Plant and	Motor	Office	
		Land	property	equipment	vehicle	equipment	Total
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Cost						
	At 1 July 2016	5,871	477,664	159,653	8,000	953	652,141
	At 30 June 2017	5,871	477,664	159,653	8,000	953	652,141
	Depreciation						
	At 1 July 2016	-	47,771	85,417	8,000	904	142,092
	Charge for year		9,554	12,653	-	49	22,256
	At 30 June 2017		57,325	98,070	8,000	953	164,348
	Net Book Value	F 074	420.220	C4 F02			407.702
	At 30 June 2017	5,871	420,339	61,583			487,793
	At 30 June 2015	5,871	429,893	74,236		49	510,049
8	Investments						
	Unlisted investments (unrestric	cted fund)				2017	2016
	Historic cost and market value					£	£
	At 30 June					1	1
	The investment comprises a sincorporated in Scotland. The s					nited, a trading	subsidiary,
						2017	2016
						£	2010 £
						_	-
	Aggregate capital and reserves					55	(9,184)
	Profit / (loss) for the period					9,239	4,957
9	Debtors: falling due within one	e year					
						2017	2016
						£	£
	Sundry debtors and prepayme	ents				889	1,000
						889	1,000

Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 30 June 2017

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10	Creditors:	falling	due	within	one	year
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				£	£
Sundry creditors and accruals				1,625	1,900
				1,625	1,900
L Reserves					
Reserves	At 01/07/16	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30/06/17
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds Grants for purchase of former					
Seaman's Mission building, Lochinver	510,000	-	(22,207)		487,793
Community Learning Exchange	-	449	(449)	-	-
	510,000	449	(22,656)	-	487,793
Unrestricted funds	(198)	3,818	(3,121)	-	499
	509,802	4,267	(25,777)	-	488,292
Represented by:		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds	2017	2016
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		-	487,793	487,793	510,049
Investments		1	-	1	1
Net current assets		498	-	498	(248)
Total funds		499	487,793	488,292	509,802

2017

2016

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 £889.

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.