

HOPE FOR HOME LTD.
(A company limited by guarantee)

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

30 November 2016

Company No.6419587

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Status

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 6 November 2007 and registered as a charity on 22 February 2008.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. Under those Articles, one third of the directors (those longest in office since their last election or appointment) retire from office - and are eligible for re-election - at each Annual General Meeting.

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Charity Registration Number
1122932

The directors (who are also the charity's Trustees) present their report and the unaudited accounts for the year ended 30 November 2016.

Objects of the charity

The charity's objects are, across the United Kingdom:

- 1) the relief of elderly persons with dementia and/or advanced Parkinson's Disease and/or similar disabilities and the relief of carers who are caring for these people at home in the United Kingdom; and
- 2) to advance the education of the public in dementia and/or advanced Parkinson's Disease and/or similar disabilities.

Main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

In planning our activities, we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our directors' meetings.

Our activities for the public benefit in our ninth year included: raising money; responding to enquiries and requests for help from people with dementia and from their families and loved ones; preparing publicity material; maintaining and building upon our volunteer support group; maintaining and improving our website; undertaking public relations and publicity activities; speaking at national conferences; continuing our collaborative project with St Joseph's Hospice; working with several other charities in trying to secure money to undertake new joint projects; planning and working up possible new major projects for the future.

Summary of our main achievements in our ninth year

The focus of our activities remained rooted in the concept of supporting people who care for their loved ones with dementia and/ or advanced Parkinson's disease in their own homes.

Our ninth year has seen us consolidate our work and further developing it across the UK. Our main achievements were again directly related to two major projects with our current established partner charities.

Our first continued collaborative venture is with St Cuthbert's Hospice in Durham, who were inspired last year to start a new Namaste service, modelled on our service in Newham. There were no funds available to undertake this work there, and in the interim the Trustees of Hope for Home worked very closely with the senior team St Cuthbert's, helping them to write bids for this new project, and supporting them to bring their new service to fruition.

Hope for Home Trustees sit on this project steering group, and we are delighted at the prospect of this exciting new venture in the North East.

Our second new major project was our very successful collaborative partnership with St Joseph's Hospice in Hackney, East London. St Joseph's is the oldest hospice in this country and has a very well established reputation for excellence in the field of palliative care.

This ninth year saw our final financial contribution to St Joseph's Hospice for our Namaste service in the London Borough of Newham, which Hope for Home funded for two years. The Hospice has agreed to continue funding this work from its core funds in future, due to the success of our work.

The term "Namaste" means "honouring the spirit within" and it involves a holistic approach to people with dementia, including use of aromatherapy, touch, music and other creative arts. It has been used for many years in the USA and in some areas in England, mostly for people who live in care homes.

Our project delivers Namaste care to people with advanced dementia who are being cared for in their own homes and we believe that this is the first project of its kind in the world to date. In Newham, there is little support available at home for the people Hope for Home is trying to support.

In the intervening two years since our funding started, the positive impact of our work became very apparent to local communities, word spread rapidly about the success of our project and it then spread to neighbouring Boroughs, Hackney and Tower Hamlets. That work continues now, funded by the NHS.

In addition, the new national special interest group for people involved with dementia care set up by Hospice UK as a result of our funded project with them last year, continues to run and to expand its reach across the UK.

Meanwhile, our Trustees worked very hard to develop and negotiate our next new collaborative major project. Our Trustees ensure the charity is managed properly and that all donations are maximised to the full to help the people we are trying to reach.

Part of that role in practice means that we give a lot of consideration to where the money we receive will be used to make the biggest difference. We are especially interested in forming new partnerships with other charities.

We pride ourselves on funding pioneering projects, often encountering significant resistance to our proposals. In fact, we have encountered that response to several of our projects over the past few years and not only have all these projects worked, they have blazed the trail for other similar projects to be funded across the U.K.

Our newsletter, the "Hope for Home Herald", which is sent to all our supporters, both electronically and in hard copy where necessary, continues to be very well received and appreciated by its readers. "The Herald" provides our supporters with news of our work and of our future plans. We are very grateful to one of our volunteers who continues to help us regularly with this work, Suzi Burrige.

During the year our very loyal volunteers, Sue and John Copus, continued to run and to expand our fund-raising 200 Club, increasing the number of donors.

Results and Future Plans

The statement of financial activities shows a deficit for the year of £6,543 with a background of accumulated funds from previous years.

We still have a small number of supporters who donate regularly through bank standing orders, and we are also very grateful for the other donations we received. As we become more well known we are receiving more smaller one-off donations from individuals, many in memory of a loved one who has died, or via others who nominate Hope for Home as their charity of choice at a particular special event.

Meanwhile our Trustees have been working up a key new project in collaboration with new charity partners, Christ Church Gypsy Hill, and St Christopher's Hospice in Sydenham. At the time of writing, we are about to interview for a new two year half-time post based at Gypsy Hill and we hope the work will start in the Autumn of 2017.

This is another ground-breaking project, building on the success of our previous work, training local volunteers to support families caring for a loved one at home with dementia and running a Dementia support "Hub".

This funding for this work requires £40,000, which provides funding for a part-time member of staff for two years. We started saving money for this new venture three years ago and the charity has £40,000 in the bank at the date of this report.

We are very excited about this new project. We believe passionately in the volunteer-led model of support and creating compassionate communities by empowering local people through training to help those in need who live nearby in very practical ways.

During the year we believe that Hope for Home, like many other smaller charities, continues to be adversely affected by the recurring scandals relating to the charity sector. Trust has been undermined across the sector in general and sadly this is reflected in our drop in donations this year.

Reserves policy

The directors recognise the need to maintain an appropriate level of reserves to meet any unforeseen expenditure which may occur and they believe that the charity should hold £1,000 in reserve to cover expenses in the event of dissolution.

Directors and Trustees

The directors, who are also trustees of the charity, all work on a voluntary basis. The names of the directors are listed on page 1.

Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial period. In preparing those accounts the directors should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue on that basis.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent examiner

Richard Hewson, Chartered Accountant, has indicated that he is willing to be reappointed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

By Order of the Board,

S Burnard
Director

14 August 2017

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 November 2016 set out on pages 8 to 11.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I may state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees, as a body, for my work, for this report or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the company's directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act') and that an independent examination is needed. I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and my report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, and which comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

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.

Richard Hewson
Chartered Accountant

21 Corner Green
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14 August 2017

Hope for Home Ltd.

Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 30 November 2016

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	
		2016	2015
		£	£
Incoming resources			
Voluntary income:			
Donations		2,777	13,001
200 club income		1,650	1,200
Sales of cards and jams		50	148
Sales of plums		90	-
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Total incoming resources		4,567	14,349
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Resources expended			
Costs of generating voluntary income	2	22	295
Charitable activities	2	10,289	34,609
Governance costs	2	799	798
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Total resources expended		(11,110)	(35,702)
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Net (resources expended)			
- net (deficit) for the year	3	(6,543)	(21,353)
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Total funds at beginning of year		37,473	58,826
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Total funds at end of year		30,930	37,473
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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 on pages 9 to 10 form part of these accounts

Hope for Home Ltd.
Balance Sheet
30 November 2016

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	
		2016	2015
		£	£
Current assets			
Cash at bank		31,680	35,937
Prepaid expenses		50	2,366
		31,730	38,303
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(800)	(830)
		30,930	37,473
Net current assets			
		30,930	37,473
Net assets			
		30,930	37,473
		=====	=====
Unrestricted funds			
		30,930	37,473
Total funds			
		30,930	37,473
		=====	=====

For the year ended 30 November 2016 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ('the Act') and no member has deposited a notice requiring an audit of these accounts under section 476 of the Act.

The directors/trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 30 November 2016 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

These accounts were approved by the Board of Directors on 14 August 2017 and signed on its behalf by:

S Burnard
Director

The notes on pages 9 to 10 form part of these accounts

1 Accounting policies

- (a) The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).
- (b) Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the directors (who are also trustees) in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- (c) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.
- (d) Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred, includes any attributable VAT which cannot be recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates. Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of the charity's activities and services for its beneficiaries; governance costs are those associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the fees of the independent examiner and other costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

2 Total resources expended

	Voluntary income £	Charitable activities £	Governance costs £	2015 Total £
Webhosting	-	-	-	1,603
Insurance	-	532	-	755
Telephone	-	-	-	-
Marathon fundraising costs	-	-	-	1,500
Cost of cards sold	-	24	-	56
Internet payment fees	22	216	-	511
Training	-	-	-	-
Independent examiner's fees	-	-	799	798
Bank charges	-	-	-	-
Companies House filing fee	-	-	-	-
Hospice UK report	-	-	-	1,000
Namaste Care staff costs	-	9,167	-	27,500
Woolf Institute - research report	-	-	-	1,500
Travel	-	-	-	129
200 club prizes	-	350	-	350
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	22	10,289	799	35,702
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3 Net (resources expended) for the year

	2016 £	2015 £
This is stated after charging:		
Independent examiner's fees	799	798
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4 Taxation

The company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2016	2015
	£	£
Accruals	800	830
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6 Transactions with directors

There were no transactions with or for the benefit of directors during the year.

7 Liability of members

As the company is limited by guarantee (having no share capital), every member is liable to contribute a sum not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association. There were 5 members at 30 November 2016 (2015 - 5).