

## **Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company**

Directors' report and Financial Statements  
for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

## Company Information

Directors:	David Askew Bob Hamnett David Farrant Roger Walton Robin Horner Ann Kitchen Mike Smith Fiona Allan Valerie Stevens Malcolm Stevens
Secretary:	Mike Smith
Company Number:	06363720
Registered Office:	The Old Station Building Arnside via Carnforth LA5 0HG
Business Address:	The Old Station Building Arnside via Carnforth LA5 0HG
Bankers:	The Co-operative Bank plc PO Box 250 Delf House Southway Skelmersdale WN8 6WT

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# **Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company**

Directors' report for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

The Directors present their report and the accompanying financial statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019. This report and statement was prepared by David Askew (Finance Director).

## **Principal Activity**

The principal activity of the company is that of a Community Interest Company with an environmental and conservation focus concerned with implementing sustainable development opportunities in and around the Arnside & Silverdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty within the context of and supporting the AONB's Statutory Management Plan 2014-19.

## **Directors**

The Directors who served during the year are as stated below:

David Askew	Ann Kitchen	Valerie Stevens
Bob Hamnett	Mike Smith	Malcolm Stevens
David Farrant	Roger Walton	
Robin Horner	Fiona Allan	

Malcolm Stevens was appointed as a Director during the year and David Farrant stood down. There have been no other changes to the Directors and the Directors have received no payments for services rendered or claimed expenses during the accounting period.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. (see note 1)

## **Company policy on the employment of disabled persons:**

The company has no employees, but encourages voluntary participation from all persons interested in its activities, regardless of age and ability.

This report was approved by the Board on xrd April 2020 and signed on its behalf by

**Mike Smith, Secretary**

**David Askew, Director**

## **Finance Director's report on the unaudited financial statements prepared and presented to the Directors of the Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

As described on the balance sheet the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 set out on pages 3 to 8 of this document.

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, I have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 set out on pages 3 to 7 from the Company's accounting records and from other financial information.

This report is made solely to the Board of Directors of Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company, as a body, in accordance with the company's articles. The work has been undertaken solely to prepare for approval the financial statements of Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company and state those matters have been agreed to report to the Board of Directors of Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company.

It is the Board's duty to ensure that Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company. I consider that Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

The Board have agreed that a full audit or a review of the financial statements of Bittern Countryside Community Interest Company is not required. For this reason, the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations provided have not been externally verified.

In accordance with these statements I have inspected the unaudited financial statements prepared by the Directors along with accounting records, bank statements and other information available, with the purpose of assisting the Board fulfil their statutory responsibilities. (See note 1.)

David Askew  
Finance Director

Signed:



Date:

1<sup>st</sup> March 2020

**Profit and Loss account for the  
year ended 30th September 2019**

	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Turnover</b>		556	744
Cost of Sales		- 993	- 1,294
<b>Gross profit/(loss)</b>		- 437	- 550
Administrative Expenses		- 538	- 946
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<b>Operating Profit / Loss</b>	<b>2</b>	- 975	- 1,496
Interest receivable & similar income	<b>3</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Profit/Loss on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		- 975	- 1,496
Tax on profit/loss on ordinary activities	<b>4</b>	- 0	- 0
<b>Profit / Loss for year</b>		- 975	- 1,496
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The notes on pages 7 to 9 form an integral part of these financial statements

## Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2019

		2019		2018	
	<b>Note</b>	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Tangible Assets	<b>5</b>		0		0
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Debtors	<b>6</b>				
Cash at bank and in hand		8,739		9,716	
		8,739		9,716	
<b>Creditors: amount falling due within one year</b>	<b>7</b>	- 28		- 30	
<b>Net Current Assets</b>			<u>8,711</u>	<u>9,686</u>	
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			8,711	9,686	
<b>Creditors: amount falling due after more than one year</b>	<b>8</b>		- 0	- 0	
			<u>8,711</u>	<u>9,686</u>	
<b>Capital and Reserves</b>					
Called up share capital	<b>9</b>		11,210	11,210	
Profit and loss account	<b>10</b>		- 2,499	- 1,524	
<b>Shareholders funds</b>			8,711	9,686	

The Directors' statements required by Sections 475(2) and (3) are shown on the following page which forms part of this Balance Sheet.

*The notes on pages 7 to 9 form an integral part of these financial statements*

Director's statements required by Sections 475(2) and (3)  
for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

In approving these financial statements as directors of the company we hereby confirm:

- a) That for the year stated above the company was entitled to the exemption conferred by Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006
- b) That no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to Section 476 requesting that an audit be conducted for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and
- c) That we acknowledge our responsibilities for:
  1. ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386 and
  2. preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of Section 393 and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020 and signed on its behalf by

David Askew  
Director

**Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1. Accounting convention**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

**1.2. Turnover**

Turnover represents the total amount of donations and grants received plus the total invoice value, excluding value added tax, of sales made during the year. The total turnover of the company for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the UK.

**1.3. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery	-	25% straight line
Computer equipment	-	25% straight line
Office equipment	-	25% straight line

## 2. Operating Profit/Loss

	2019 £	2018 £
Operating profit/loss is stated after charging:		
Depreciation off tangible assets	0	0
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## 3. Investment Income

Bank Interest (NB Bank rate cut to 0% AER at start of 2016)	0	0
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## 4. Tax on loss on ordinary activities

	2019 £	2018 £
<b>Domestic Current year tax</b>		
UK corporation tax	0	0
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## 5. Tangible fixed assets

	£
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 October 2018	1,984
Additions	nil
At 30 September 2019	1,984
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 October 2018	1,984
Charge for the year	0
At 30 September 2019	<hr/> <b>1,984</b>
<b>Net book values</b>	<b>£</b>
At 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	0
At 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	0

## 6. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	2019 £	2018 £
Other debtors (none)	-	-

## 7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2019 £	2018 £
Corporation tax	0	0
Other Creditors	28	30
	<hr/> 28	<hr/> 30*

## 8. Creditors: amounts falling due After more than one year

	2019 £	2018 £
Other creditors	0	0
	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 0

\* Sum owed for payment of Companies House fees paid by the Finance Director in 2017 & 18



## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

9. Share capital	2019	2018
	£	£
<b>Authorised</b>		
12,000 Ordinary shares of £10 each	120,000	120,000
5,000 Management shares of £1 each	5,000	5,000
	<u>125,000</u>	<u>125,000</u>
<b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b>		
876 Ordinary shares of £10.00p each	8,760	9,260
2,450 Management shares of £1.00p each	2,450	1,950
	<u>11,210</u>	<u>11,210</u>

During the year 10 Ordinary shares were converted to 100 Management Shares on appointment of a shareholder as a Director. Additionally, 100 Management Shares were converted to 10 Ordinary shares on retirement of a shareholder as a Director

The company's £10 Ordinary shares and £1 Management shares have voting rights, the right to receive dividends, and may be redeemed by the company.

### 10. Statement of movement on profit and loss account

#### Profit and loss account

	£
<b>At 1 October 2018</b>	<b>( 1,524)</b>
Loss for the year	( 975)
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Outstanding loss as	
<b>At 30 September 2019</b>	<b>( 2,499)</b>

### 11. Transactions with Directors

**None in 2018/19.**

#### Administrative expenses

	2019	2018
	£	£
Insurance	381	382
Print, post/stationery, website	78	468
Legal and professional fees	45	28
Accountancy	0	0
Bad and doubtful debts	0	0
Sundry Expenses	34	68
Depreciation	0	0
	<u>538</u>	<u>946</u>