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Charity Registration No. 1120379 Company Registration No. 03147855 (England and Wales)

# OBLONG LTD DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

#### **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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Peter Tatham Liam Hemingway Fran Coard Fikir Assefa

Kelly Marsh (appointed 18 April 2017)

Secretary

Christopher Lightfoot

**Charity number** 

1120379

Company number

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### DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution and Memorandum & Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 18<sup>th</sup> January 1996. The charity was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charity and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the charity being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1. The objects and articles were amended and lodged at Companies House in August 2011.

#### Recruitment and appointment of trustees

New trustees are interviewed by two current board members for suitability.

The trustees of the charity are also directors for the purpose of company law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the trustees are elected to serve until the annual general meeting and stand for re-election.

The trustees have the power to co-opt additional trustees and no more than 12 in total.

New trustees are invited and encouraged to attend a series of meetings and short training sessions to familiarise themselves with the charity and the context within which it operates.

#### Trustee induction and training

All new trustees receive a prepared trustee induction pack which includes the following Oblong information:

- Induction document
- b. Memorandum and Articles of Association
- c. Minutes of last three Board meetings
- d. Last three years annual accounts
- e. Staffing structure chart
- f. Board contact details
- g. Last three newsletters
- Last annual review
- i. Other relevant publicity materials
- j. Copies of relevant policies
- k. Copy of 'The Essential Trustee' from the Charity Commission
- Dates and times of next three Board Meetings

All trustees are encouraged to meet with at least one member of the existing board of trustees and/or a staff member to look at the responsibilities and time commitments for trustees.

The directors who served during the year were:-

Sian Greenley (Chair) Mark Ford (resigned 20 April 2017) Peter Tatham

Karen Friend (resigned 26 November 2016) Michael Su (resigned 8 September 2016) Fikir Assefa (appointed 26 October 2016)

#### Related parties

Oblong Ltd supports a number of community groups and these are referred to as "member projects".

#### Organisation structure

Oblong is managed by a voluntary trustee board, which meets quarterly, and which makes all major policy and strategic decisions. Oblong is managed by a team of nine part time staff and volunteers. Oblong is non-hierarchical, the staff team manage each other and are responsible to the board for managing the organisations daily activity.

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Oblong uses several collectives which encompass the operational running to deliver its objectives that include but are not restricted to:

- Centre coordination collective
- Volunteering collective
- Mental wellbeing collective
- Development collective
- Finance collective
- Marketing collective
- Governance and HR collective

#### Risk management

The trustees have conducted a review of all risks to which Oblong is exposed and are confident systems are in place to mitigate these risks.

There are procedures in place to ensure that the quality of provision is maintained, the procedures are reviewed regularly, along with ensuring that staff regularly receive training to update skills and knowledge.

A risk register has been established and is updated annually. Where appropriate systems or procedures have been established to mitigate risks the charity faces. Significant external risks to funding have led to the development of a strategic plan which will allow for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal controls are monitored by the implementing of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers and visitors to the centre. Appropriate DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) checks are made when required.

#### Objectives and activities

The stated objectives of the charity are:-

"Oblong aims to develop the capacity and skills of people living in socially and economically disadvantaged areas in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to create active, flourishing communities and to run a community centre, primarily for the benefit of the Woodhouse, Little London and Hyde Park areas".

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of education and the enhancement of citizenship or community development.

#### Achievements and performance

#### **Oblong resources**

Oblong is user led and tries to provide the services people want. This currently includes:

- Drop in IT with access to print facilities
- Design and video work
- ESOL classes
- Head Space mental health well-being course
- Wide variety of volunteering opportunities
- Local gardening projects
- Community Centre facilities

#### Volunteering

Oblong is all about volunteers – they run most of the services we provide and without them we couldn't function. This year we have had over 100 volunteers take on many roles including event organising for our AGM, Socials, International Women's Day, fundraising, IT support, design, teaching ESOL, reception taking bookings, administration, teaching Origami, marketing and more.

We are halfway through our Learn, Engage, Do volunteer scheme that began in August 2015. The project works with disadvantaged adults to develop their skills and confidence enabling them to move on to further volunteering or education, training or employment. Since April 2016 we have recorded 62 incidents of volunteers moving on to Employment, Education or Training opportunities.

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Volunteers are involved in every level of Oblong and make decisions on how the services are delivered in the different 'collectives' that make up the organisation. A recent growth area for volunteer engagement is around community activities extending our social impact not just for volunteers but the participants of the activities.

Our reception volunteers are particularly successful in moving on to further opportunities. Since April 2016 volunteers have taken up work in the field of administration, student accommodation, working in the Third Sector, working with people with learning difficulties, the Post Office, food and catering and also to further studies.

#### **Woodhouse Community Centre**

Our aim is to run the centre for the benefit of the local community, that everyone feels welcome at the centre, they enjoy their time here and leave wanting to come back.

The centre has a large hall, meeting rooms, IT suite, catering kitchen, community garden, art space, offices and event space for hire. Our office spaces are fully tenanted with 5 charitable organisations, working in the local community and beyond. We host tens of weekly classes and activities and a range of one off events providing fitness, advice, social activities, counselling, mediation, arts, after-school clubs, clothing exchange, adult learning and services for older people in the local community.

In addition to regular activities and events, this year we launched new conference and kids party packages. We invested in a range of new equipment including a PA system and bouncy castle. We developed new advertising materials targeted at the 2 different audiences. Take up of packages is growing slowly but surely, we expect this to steadily increase as we roll out our marketing plan.

We continue to invest in maintaining and improving our centre. We have recently completed a full refurbishment of our 2 smaller meeting rooms.

Our communication and marketing efforts continue to develop. We now have a monthly printed flyer distributed locally, monthly e-newsletters and daily social media posts, as well as updated information on our website and around the centre.

The IT suite and resource centre continue to be popular, providing computer and internet access to many local residents. The volunteer run Basic IT Classes and Good with Gadgets group support people to use the suite and improve their computer literacy.

#### **English for Speakers of Other Languages**

There is a huge need for English lessons in Leeds, especially for refugees and asylum seekers. With support our volunteers have set up and run a weekly free class, helping over 40 people to learn English. The group has a regular 8 – 10 attendees and is run by several Learn, Engage, Do project volunteers who are gaining valuable experience in teaching.

Recently the volunteers have set up a collective so that the new teachers and teaching assistants getting involved can be inducted and peer supported efficiently and effectively. There has also been the recent addition of a Friday morning class with another volunteer teacher that has a steadily increasing attendance, currently about 8 people. With further cuts to services providing cheap or free English classes to migrants, asylum seekers and refugees, this kind of project is really important, especially when run and organised at a grassroots level.

#### **Mental Wellbeing**

Our mental wellbeing work has continued to grow, with 3 projects running this year – Head Space, MindMate Families and Getting Back on Top.

Head Space is a 7 week programme that gives learners tools to manage their mental health and make positive lifestyle changes. The sessions use ideas from participatory education, peer-support groups and cognitive behavioural therapy. This year we supported 276 people across Leeds to make meaningful changes to their lives, helping people learn different techniques to manage their mood, find their strengths, meet new people, gain new perspectives and maintain these changes long after the course has finished.

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This year we completed a pilot project called MindMate Families, a course for parents run in partnership with local schools and the health services. We use tried and tested methods for helping children bounce back from stressful and difficult times.

We also began developing our Getting Back on Top course. This is a new course improving motivation, self-management skills and mental wellbeing for people with long-term health conditions. People dealing with long-term health conditions receive treatment for their physical health but often find themselves coping with changes in their life with little or no support. This course will give people the skills to manage their mental and physical wellbeing, re-imagine their future and connect to volunteering, training, social and support services.

#### **Leeds Locality Consortium**

Oblong are part of the Leeds Consortium which is aiming to asset transfer 9 local community centres and assets from Leeds City Council to create Leeds Community Spaces. The Consortium are looking to complete the asset transfer in 2017/18.

#### **Invest to Sustain**

The Invest to Sustain project is a 2 year project starting in January 2017 and funded by the Comic Relief Core Strength initiative. We will be developing a Customer Relationship Management system to manage bookings and market the centre effectively. We will also evaluate and gain accreditation of a recognised organisational quality mark, conduct a governance review and make improvements to the marketing materials. So far we have identified and started development of the booking system and appointed someone to evaluate the most suitable quality mark for Oblong.

#### Financial review

The Financial Statements for 2017 show incoming resources to be £297,976, an increase of £24,727 on the year before.

The overall balance at the year end increased from £230,497 to £245,442 with unrestricted reserves now standing at £69,659, just shy of our 3 months reserve target of £75,000.

This year we have struggled to attract grant funding which is down on the previous year but have managed to expand our contracted training delivery (Head Space) and maintain the rental income from the building to increase the overall income level.

We have a strong plan for 2017/18 to build on our strengths, maximise the Community Centre asset and grow our way towards a sustainable position.

#### **Funders**

We would like to thank all the funders who have made this work possible this year including The Big Lottery fund, Social Investment Business, Brelms Trust, Public Health NE, Leeds MIND, Leeds GATE, Leeds Community Foundation, Garfield Weston, Comic Relief and BUPA.

#### **Funds**

The majority of the restricted funding came from the Reaching Communities LED project £90,035. We grew our training income considerably from £35,676 to £66,050 (>85%) and increased our rental income by £900. We expect to grow the rental income further in 17-20. By growing the rental income and the training income at higher profitability margins we expect to make increased contributions to the reserves in future years.

#### **Assets**

Woodhouse Community Centre reopened in 2012 after the Community Asset Transfer from Leeds city council with a 50 year lease and a capital project refurbishment funded from a grant/loan mix from the Social Investment Business. The repayment schedule for the long term creditors has been renegotiated over a 20 year term. We reduced the overall debt this year by £12,832 down to £230,861 with £7,947 depreciated from the building now valued at £357,615.

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#### Reserves

The Board has agreed to maintain reserve funds at a sufficient level in order to allow the smooth operation of the charity's activities. The policy aims to hold between 3 and 6 months of resources expended, which equates to £75,000 to £150,000. At present this level is at £69,659. We are aware this level falls below the target but we have managed over the last 12 months to add £5,222 during a period we did not envisage being able to contribute. We hope to continue to add to the reserves level gradually but significantly over a 5-10 year period to ensure organisational stability.

#### Plans for the Future

Oblong prides itself on being user-led and strongly embedded in the local community. All of our work is designed to create empowered, connected communities and we do this through 2 primary streams of delivery:

- creating environments where people can work together to tackle the problems they face; and
- increase activism in the community.

As an organisation we are proud of the fact that we have grown and developed from our community, developing the services and activities we provide with the people who use them.

Since reopening the Woodhouse Community Centre in 2012 we have focused largely on developing our customer base and usage but this strategy now seeks to develop our place as a community hub and focuses on developing both our sustainability and our role within the community.

Over the next 3 years Oblong aims to increase the influence of the local community in the day to day activity and running of Woodhouse Community Centre. We will also seek to increase the sustainability of the organisation by developing new income streams through:

- our involvement in Leeds Community Spaces
- taking on other premises from the local authority
- development of new business opportunities.

As part of the drive to become more sustainable we will aim to increase our turnover whilst also reducing the proportion of our income generated through grants and increasing the contribution from earned income to reserves.

In order to deliver the aims described above we deliver 3 main streams of work, these are:

- managing the Woodhouse Community Centre (and possibly, others in future)
- running a range of mental wellbeing activities; and
- providing a wide range of volunteering opportunities.

#### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors of Oblong Ltd. are responsible for preparing the Directors' Annual report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under company law the directors must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these accounts the directors are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and disseminator of accounts may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The directors are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose at anytime 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.

On behalf of the board of directors

Director FIKIR ASSEFA

Dated: 12/07/2017

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF OBLONG LTD

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2017, which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of Directors and Examiner

The directors, who also act as trustees for the charitable activities of Oblong Ltd are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The directors 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. The charity's gross income exceeded £100,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination being a Chartered Accountant.

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:

(i) 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

(iii) 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 the 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:

- (a) 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
  - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, 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

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

Stuart B Lodge FCA
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Chartered Accountants
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Dated: 2 AUGUST 2017

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds	Total 2017 £	
Income Voluntary Income Rental income Training Fees Incoming resources from charitable activities Other incoming resources	2 s 3	29,926 64,344 - - 2,299	66,050 135,248 109		63,444 35,676 151,895
Total income		96,569	201,407	297,976	273,249
Expenditure	4				*
Charitable activities		91,347	191,684	283,031	231,942
Total expenditure		91,347	191,684	283,031	231,942
Net income and net movement for the year	ar	5,222	9,723	14,945	41,307
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought down		64,437	166,060	230,497	189,190
Total funds carried down		69,659	175,783	245,442	230,497

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2017

Fixed Assets Tangible assets	Notes	Jnrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2017 Total £ 357,615	2016 Total £ 365,562
Current Assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	8	11,195 65,840 ———	83,388	11,195 149,228 ———	32,947 89,640
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	77,035 ————————————————————————————————————	83,388 —————————————————————————————————	160,423 ————————————————————————————————————	122,587 ——— (13,959)
Net current assets		69,659	49,029	118,688	108,628
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		69,659	406,644	476,303	474,190
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	10		(230,861)	(230,861)	(243,693)
Total assets less liabilities		69,659	175,783	245,442	230,497
The Funds of the Charity Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	11	69,659	175,783	69,659 175,783	64,437 166,060
		69,659	175,783	245,442	230,497

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2017. No member of the company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 476, requiring an audit of these accounts.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and;
- (b) preparing accounts 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 incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the 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.

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

The accounts were approved by the Board on 25/07/17

Director

Company Registration Number: 03147855

#### OBLONG LTD STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

	Notes	2017 £	2016 £	
Cash used in operating activities	12	59,588	31,735	
Cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		89,640	57,905	
Total cash equivalents at the end of the year		149,228	89,640	

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

#### 1. Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise stated.

The accounts are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

Having considered future planned activities and the reserves available to the charity, the Management Committee are satisfied that the financial statements should continue to be prepared on the going concern basis.

#### 1.2 Incoming resources

Core funding revenue grants are credited to the income and expenditure account as and when receivable.

Revenue grants for specific projects are credited to the income and expenditure account as and when receivable and unspent amounts are carried forward as part of the restricted funds in the balance sheet.

#### 1.3 Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for beneficiaries.

Governance costs includes those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirement of the charitable company.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories on the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource.

#### 1.4 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:-

Fixtures and fittings
Computers and equipment

5 years straight line

3 years straight line

It is the policy of the charitable company to only include on the balance sheet individual items of a capital nature which cost £1,500 or more and only relates to those items that can be used for more than one year.

#### 1.5 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes of use of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

1.6 The charity pays contributions into the National Employment Savings Trust (NEST) which is a defined contribution work place scheme.

2.	Voluntary income	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
	Core income	_	_
	Unrestricted funds:		
	Management fees and recharges	29,715	16,192
	Donations	200	3,766
	Fees and services	11	282
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		29,926	20,240
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3.	Incoming resources from charitable activities:		
0.	mooning resources from chartable activities.	2017	2016
		£	£
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	Grants receivable	135,248	151,895
		-	
	Included within income relating to grants receivable are the following:-		
	Unrestricted funds:		
	The Cardigan Centre	-	210
	Restricted funds:		
	The Brelms Trust	3,000	3 000
	The Big Lottery Fund (Learn, Engage, Do RC 01252591)	90,035	3,000 110,720
	Leeds Community Foundation – Locality	4,000	6,000
	Garfield Weston	7,000	0,000
	Comic Relief	9,653	
	BUPA	18,560	_
	OSR Development Work - Head Space	3,000	_
	British Council	-	11,264
	Groundwork Leeds	-	9,884
	Leeds City Council – Gardening	-	6,035
	Leeds Community Foundation – Mindfulness Gardening		4,782
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		135,248	151,685
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	No.		

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

4.	Charitable activities		
		2017	2016
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	146,659	115,312
	Pension costs	6,259	110,012
	Childcare costs	118	_
	Freelance costs	14,549	5,232
	Rates	2,067	1,722
	Room hire	2,007	403
	Insurance	2,004	2,321
	Evaluation costs	10,636	4,677
	Repairs and maintenance	5,152	7,495
	Cleaning and sundries	1,584	6,161
	Staff travel expenses	1,050	582
	Volunteer expenses	8,091	5,422
	Events and activities	2,477	24,061
	Equipment and materials	2,211	6,188
	Training	1,340	,
	Printing, postage and stationery	4,038	2,548
	Telephone and internet	2,431	2,482
	Light and heat	8,742	5,895
	Payroll costs	1,986	827
	Depreciation	7,947	7,947
	Bank charges	93	96
	Memberships	612	295
	Sundries	3	432
	Publicity and promotion	2,759	722
	Loan Interest	11,743	11,826
	Management and other recharges	29,715	16,192
	Legal and professional	6,785	1,376
	Independent examination fee (2017)	1,800	1,800
	Independent examination fee (2016/15 under/over provision)	180	(72)
		283,031	231,942
		203,031	201,342

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

#### 5. Directors

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

#### 6. Employees

#### **Number of employees**

The average number of employees during the year was 9(2016 - 7).

#### **Employment costs**

		2017 £	2016 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs Childcare costs		140,123 6,536 6,259 118	109,683 5,629 -
		153,036	115,312

There were no employees whose annual emoluments were £60,000 or more.

No pension contributions were outstanding at the year end.

The charity considers its key management personnel to be the directors of the organisation.

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

7.	Tangible fixed assets	Leasehold Improvements	Fixtures & Fittings	Computers & Equipment	Total £
	Cost	£	£	£	z
	At 1 April 2016 and At 31 March 2017	397,350	4,979	36,919	439,248
	Depreciation	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			8
	At 1 April 2016 Charge for the Year	31,788 7,947	4,979	36,919 -	73,686 7,947
	At 31 March 2017	39,735	4,979	36,919	81,633
	Net book value				<b>***</b>
	At 31 March 2017	357,615	-		357,615
	At 31 March 2016	365,562			365,562
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	Centre, Woodhouse Street, made.  Debtors  Trade debtors	Leeds, LS6 2NY on wh	a 50 year lease o ich the leasehold	2017 £ 11,195	2016 £ 32,947
	Centre, Woodhouse Street, made.  Debtors  Trade debtors  Creditors: amounts falling  Accruals Deferred income	Leeds, LS6 2NY on wh	a 50 year lease o ich the leasehold	2017 £ 11,195 ————————————————————————————————————	2016 £ 32,947  2016 £ 3,048 10,000 911
	Centre, Woodhouse Street, made.  Debtors  Trade debtors  Creditors: amounts falling  Accruals Deferred income	Leeds, LS6 2NY on wh	a 50 year lease o ich the leasehold	2017 £ 11,195 ————————————————————————————————————	2016 £ 32,947 ————————————————————————————————————
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#### 11. Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:-

		Movement	in funds	
	Balance at 1 April 2016 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2017 £
Futurebuilders	113,761	_	(2,473)	111,288
The Brelms Trust The Big Lottery (Learn, Engage,	808	3,000	(3,000)	808
Do RC 01252591)	48,356	90,035	(104,595)	33,796
Leeds City Council – Gardening Leeds Community Foundation –	379	-	(379)	-
Locality	1,150	4,000	(5,150)	_
Leeds MIND	1,606	59,050	(44, 162)	16,494
Garfield Weston	-	7,000	(7,000)	-
Comic Relief	-	9,762	(6,689)	3,073
BUPA	-	18,560	(8,236)	10,324
Children and Families		10,000	(10,000)	-
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	166,060	201,407	(191,684)	175,783

#### **Futurebuilders**

A capital grant to enable the refurbishment of the leasehold property.

#### The Brelms Trust

Funding towards volunteer training.

#### The Big Lottery (Learn, Engage, Do)

In August 2015 we were awarded a new three year grant to deliver our 'Learn, Engage Do' project. The project works with disadvantaged adults to develop their skills and confidence enabling them to move on to further volunteering or education, training or employment.

#### Leeds City Council - Gardening

A programme to develop green space in Woodhouse with our volunteers.

#### Leeds Community Foundation – Locality

Leeds Locality consortia development of a business case for the Leeds Community Spaces project.

#### Leeds MIND

The seven week Head Space course, offered by Oblong is delivered in the community in partnership with community-based organisations. It is aimed at those who may not have presented to their GP or self-referred into IAPT services with mental health difficulties. It focuses on enabling participants to change their behaviour, increase meaningful activity and strengthen social networks.

#### **Garfield Weston**

A contribution to the costs incurred in keeping our facilities open throughout the day, providing support and guidance needed to ensure the area is a safe space for all users.

#### **Comic Relief**

The Invest to Sustain project is a 2 year project starting in January 2017 and funded by the Comic Relief Core Strength initiative. We will be developing a CRM to manage bookings and marketing, evaluation and accreditation of an organisational quality mark, governance review and an improvement to the marketing materials offer.

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#### **BUPA**

The Getting Back on Top project developed and delivered new mental wellbeing course for people in middle life who have developed long-term physical health conditions.

#### **Children and Families**

The MindMate Families project ran a pilot programme consisting of short courses to enable parents to improve their children's emotional wellbeing skills.

12. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cashflow from operating activities

	2017	2016
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Net movement in funds	14,945	41,307
Add back depreciation charge	7,947	7,947
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	21,752	(25,848)
Increase in creditors	14,944	8,329
Net cash used in operating activities	59,588	31,735