

Company No: 02856983
Charity No: 1027444

STRICKLANDGATE HOUSE TRUST LIMITED
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 SEPTEMBER 2020

STRICKLANDGATE HOUSE TRUST LIMITED

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

(Company Number: 02856983)
(Registered Charity Number: 1027444)

Trustees

R M Cope
J W Cooke
S M Emmott
W Sayers
J J Leigh
M Belk
N J Brown
R J Downing
G Vincent

Chairman
Resigned 27/02/20

Secretary

J N Gallagher

Registered Office

92 Stricklandgate
Kendal
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Accountants

MHA Moore and Smalley
Chartered Accountants
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the Trust's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published in October 2019.

Trustees of the charity

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purposes of charity law. The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end were as follows:

R M Cope Chairman
J W Cooke Resigned 27/02/20
S M Emmott
W Sayers
J J Leigh
M Belk
N J Brown
R J Downing
G Vincent

Objectives and Activities

Objects of the Charity

The objectives of the charity are to promote and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of charities in direct pursuit of their objectives by the provision of premises and facilities for such charities. These charities provide public benefit to the local, and wider, community through a wide range of services and support including volunteering, charity start-ups, Carer Support, Mental Health awareness, support for young people with Dyslexia and their families a music charity and more.

Principal activity

The company is principally engaged in the provision of premises and facilities for charities.

Organisational structure

A Board of Trustees, of up to 8 trustees, who meet at least quarterly, administers the charity. Sub committees are in place to cover such issues as development and finance. A Centre Manager is appointed by the Trustees to manage the day to day operations of the charity.

Achievements and performance

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, Stricklandgate House continued with its success as a community building for tenant organisations and the success of attracting room hire (NHS First Step and independent counsellors as well as for meetings) led to almost 50% of the charity's income coming from room hire. Visits to the building reflected this use. Then on March 20th, following government guidance, we locked down the building and overnight, room hire income was lost. The effects of COVID-19 also hit tenants hard with ViP Diaries and Royal Voluntary Service folding completely and other tenants planning to leave and/or downsizing their operations, many working from home. A bounce back loan was secured but like all loans has to be repaid (albeit at low interest rates). Many of the organisations that use our services, particularly counselling organisations, post COVID-19 are choosing to conduct sessions via Zoom/Skype or call clients rather than the clients coming in to see them at SGH.

Plans to sell the Coach House was again agreed between trustees and during the period the architects were instructed to start the planning application process and the tenants accommodated in that building moved into the main building.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES *(continued)*

Achievements and performance (continued)

We are drawing to a close on what I think we can all agree has been one of the most challenging of years. Stricklandgate House has had to close its doors for the first lockdown in March and when the rules were eased many of us remained shielding and have been dealing with anxieties relating to health as well as the impact on our mental well-being.

The board have had due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission on Public benefit.

Plans for Future Periods

At Stricklandgate House, room hire has fallen to nothing and many tenants have found ways of working from home and some have found that they will need smaller room space or none going forward. Our very basis for existing has been challenged. We have been unable to obtain any other grants apart from the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme during the pandemic within the reportable period. As things improve later in the year and SLDC grants have been obtained, we have put a balanced budget together till the end of September 2022.

Financial review

Reserves policy

It is the objective of the Trust to maintain reserves to meet future repairs to the building and to fund administration costs. Any surplus over this requirement is utilised towards capital improvements of the facilities. Free reserves at the year-end was £10,962 (2019: £24,947). Of this amount, £47,419 (2019: £22,089) represents long term loan liabilities which are not due for repayment until more than 12 months from the balance sheet date. After allowing for the above, short term free reserves amounts to £58,381 (2019: £47,036).

Investment Policy

The Trustees do not envisage the charity holding investments in the foreseeable future.

Fixed Assets

The principal items of capital expenditure are set out in note 8 to the financial statements.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

Stricklandgate House Trust Limited is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 27 September 1993.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The Trust maintains a cross section of experience from Trustees that covers general management, building services, property management, finance and legal activities. When a vacancy occurs for a Trustee role then the Trust utilises the experience, knowledge and networking skills of the Trustees to fill the vacancy. The Trustees are then given responsibilities for particular areas of activity as well as their overall Trustee roles.

Risk Management

The Trustees have identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed. These risks have been reviewed and systems established to manage them. In keeping under review the charity's activities, Trustees are mindful of the potential for any changes to the present range of risks, especially those concerning Covid-19, and will adjust systems when and where required.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES *(continued)*

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also directors of Stricklandgate House Trust Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual 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 for each financial year, which 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 financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements 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.

Robin Cope

R M Cope
Chairman

Date: 01/03/2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

OF

STRICKLANDGATE HOUSE TRUST LIMITED

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 September 2020 which are set out on pages 6 to 15.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your company's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date 01/03/2021

STRICKLANDGATE HOUSE TRUST LIMITED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (including Income and Expenditure Account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Income and endowments from:					
Grants and donations	3	9,575	-	9,575	2,500
Investment income	4	59	-	59	102
Letting income	2	65,710	-	65,710	85,599
Other income	5	40,756	-	40,756	59,508
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Total income and endowments		116,100	-	116,100	147,709
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Expenditure:					
Charitable activities (excluding depreciation)		130,085	-	130,085	136,733
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Total expenditure	6	130,085	-	130,085	136,733
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Net income before other recognised gains and losses		(13,985)	-	(13,985)	10,976
Depreciation	8	(11,890)	-	(11,890)	(12,328)
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Net movement in funds/net expenditure for the year	2	(25,875)	-	(25,875)	(1,352)
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Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		552,007	-	552,007	553,359
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Total funds carried forward		526,132	-	526,132	552,007
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STRICKLANDGATE HOUSE TRUST LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

	Note	£	2020 £	£	2019 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		515,170		527,060
Current assets					
Debtors	9	18,698		13,587	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>57,584</u>		<u>48,887</u>	
		76,282		62,474	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(17,901)</u>		<u>(15,438)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>58,381</u>		<u>47,036</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			573,551		574,096
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	11		(47,419)		(22,089)
Net assets			<u>526,132</u>		<u>552,007</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted			526,132		552,007
Restricted			-		-
Total charity funds			<u>526,132</u>		<u>552,007</u>

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BALANCE SHEET *(continued)*

30 SEPTEMBER 2020

For the year ending 30 September 2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. No member or members have requested an audit pursuant to section 476 of the act.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

These accounts were approved by the directors and authorised for issue on 01/03/2021 and are signed on their behalf by:

Robin Cope

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R M Cope - Director

John J Leigh

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J Leigh - Director

Company Registration Number: 02856983

Charity Number: 1027444

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

1. Accounting Policies

Stricklandgate House Trust Limited is a company limited by guarantee in England and Wales.

Basis of preparation

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 (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The charity has applied Update Bulletin 1 as published on 2 February 2016 and does not include a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is applying FRS 102 Section 1A.

Stricklandgate House Trust Limited meets the definition of a public entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charitable company is legally entitled to the income, it is reasonably certain it will be received and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in full in the SOFA when receivable. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Donated services and facilities are included at a value to the charity where this can be quantified. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.
- Investment income is included when receivable.
- Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.
- If income is received but the related performance does not take place until a later accounting period the income will be deferred to that accounting period.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

Charitable activity expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly; others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

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Going concern

We, the Trustees, agreed future projections and a balanced budget to take us through to 30 September 2022. Where we are able, we will take advantage of the Government support available as and when required, ensuring that we continue to operate within our available cash reserves and bank facilities through this period of uncertainty in order to enable us to pay our debts as they fall due. In view of this, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for a period of at least 12 months from the date the accounts are approved. Thus, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

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:

Long leasehold buildings	2%
Furniture & Equipment	25% / 15%
Computers	25%

Impairment Reviews

Impairment reviews are only carried out where there is some indication that the recoverable amount of a functional fixed asset is below its net book value. If the recoverable amount of the asset is lower than the net book value the loss is recognised and treated as additional depreciation. The revised carrying amount of the asset is then depreciated over its remaining useful economic life.

Accumulated Funds

Accumulated funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. Any overspends are met by unrestricted funds.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are classified and accounted for, according to the substance of the contractual arrangement, as either financial assets, financial liabilities or equity instruments. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any trade discounts due.

Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Pension

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the SOFA.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

2. Net Movement in Funds

The net movement is attributable to the principal activities of the charity, and is earned entirely within the United Kingdom.

Deficit/Surplus is stated after charging

	2020	2019
	£	£
Depreciation	11,890	12,328
Accountants' remuneration		
- For Accountancy Services	2,376	2,628
- For Other Services	2,849	2,174
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	17,115	17,130
And after Crediting: Service Charges	65,710	85,599

3. Grants and donations

	2020	2019
	£	£
Legacy from the estate of Mrs K Wilson	-	2,500
Government grant - CJRS	9,575	-
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	9,575	2,500

4. Interest receivable and similar income

	2020	2019
	£	£
Bank interest	59	102

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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5. Other income	2020	2019
	£	£
Cleaning	4,206	7,479
Computer recharges	3,111	4,025
Room hire and catering	23,529	38,500
Car park rental	6,464	5,484
Telephone	3,233	3,939
Miscellaneous	213	81
	40,756	59,508

6. Total resources expended

	Staff costs	Other costs	2020
	£	£	£
Direct Charitable Expenditure	75,331	54,754	130,085
	Staff costs	Other costs	2019
	£	£	£
Direct Charitable Expenditure	68,210	68,523	136,733

Other costs are made up as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Premises costs	27,131	28,133
Travel	435	422
Repairs and renewals	11,598	22,042
Telephone	4,075	4,921
Internet	3,323	4,803
Printing, design, postage and stationery	449	493
Professional fees and accountancy	5,983	4,802
Catering supplies	-	364
Sundry expenses	846	1,282
Bank charges and interest	914	1,261
	54,754	68,523

Of the £130,085 of expenditure (2019: £136,733), nil of this was restricted (2019: £nil) and £130,085 was unrestricted (2019: £136,733).

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7. Directors and employees	2020	2019
	£	£
Directors' emoluments:	Nil	Nil
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Employee costs during the year:		
Wages and salaries	71,085	66,126
Social security costs	3,131	614
Pension costs	1,115	1,470
	75,331	68,210

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:

Directors	8	8
Full time	1	1
Part time	7	8

There were no employees receiving more than £60,000 in the year (2019 - £nil).

In the year no expenses were reimbursed to the Trustees (2019 - £nil).

During the year, Winifred Sayers, a trustee, received remuneration for cleaning services of £6,069 (2019: £5,319).

8. Tangible fixed assets

	Long Leasehold Property £	Furniture Equipment & computers £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 October 2019	1,020,718	244,946	1,265,664
Additions	-	-	-
At 30 September 2020	1,020,718	244,946	1,265,664
Depreciation			
At 1 October 2019	495,035	243,569	738,604
Charge for the year	10,513	1,377	12,329
At 30 September 2020	505,548	244,946	750,933
Net book value			
At 30 September 2020	515,170	-	515,170
At 30 September 2019	525,683	1,377	527,060

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
9. Debtors		
Amounts falling due within one year		
Trade debtors	10,258	7,964
Other debtors	3,246	-
Prepayments and accrued income	5,194	5,623
	18,698	13,587
	2020	2019
	£	£
10. Creditors		
Amounts falling due within one year		
Bank overdraft and loan	9,333	10,143
Trade creditors	578	416
Other creditors	2,223	194
Accruals	5,767	4,685
	17,901	15,438
	2020	2019
	£	£
11. Creditors		
Amounts falling due after more than one year		
Bank loan	12,338	22,089
Bounce back loan	35,081	-
	47,419	22,089

The bank loan is secured by a legal charge over the assets of Stricklandgate House Trust Limited.
The bank loan is due to be repaid by 2022.

The net amount of secured liabilities at 30 September 2020 amounted to £56,752 (2019 - £32,232).

STRICKLANDGATE HOUSE TRUST LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

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12. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Fund balances at 30 September 2020 are represented by:			
Tangible assets	515,170	-	515,170
Current assets	58,381	-	58,381
Creditors due after more than one year	(47,419)		(47,419)
	<u>526,132</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>526,132</u>

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Fund balances at 30 September 2019 are represented by:			
Tangible assets	527,060	-	527,060
Current assets	47,036	-	47,036
Creditors due after more than one year	(22,089)		(22,089)
	<u>552,007</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>552,007</u>

13. Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year to 30 September 2020 or 30 September 2019.

14. Capital commitments

There were no capital commitments at 30 September 2020 or 30 September 2019.

15. Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at 30 September 2020 or 30 September 2019.

16. Company status

The charitable company is limited by Guarantee under the Companies Act 2006. The liability of the members is limited to £1 per member in the event of a winding up.

17. Taxation

As a charity, Stricklandgate House Trust Limited is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within sections 472-474 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010, sections 478 - 489 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010, or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.