

Registered number: 04365607
Charity number: 1091986

Diss & District Community Transport Association Ltd

**UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2017**

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2017**

TRUSTEES

Brian Maurice Riches
Francis Vivian Thomas
Charles Frederick Kemp, CPFA
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The Rev. Michael Kingston

REGISTERED OFFICE

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

The principal activity of the charity in the year ended 31 March 2017 under review was the operation of a community bus service.

The trustees of Diss & District Community Transport Association Limited have considered and complied with the duty in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission, including public benefit guidance.

The company continues to develop in order to meet the ever increasing demands for public transport within the local area, which is of great public benefit to the inhabitants of the rural community in which it operates.

We employ six members of staff of whom one is part time. Our staff are well respected by our passengers for the caring nature that they bring to the business. The day-to-day operational responsibility of the business was in the hands of the Transport Manager, Lucy Edwards until her resignation in the summer. Tom Clarke has replaced her: Tom was formerly a driver with us.

The dial-a-ride service can be used by members who need to reserve a trip at least 48 hours in advance. Most trips are to the main areas of population of Diss and Harleston, taking people from their villages to shop or for medical appointments. In addition to the main dial-a-ride service, many outings are organised.

We also operate a group-hire service to enable local voluntary organisations to use our buses to take their members to meetings or on special outings by using our own, or volunteer drivers. This service has the benefit to Diss & District Community Transport Association Limited of utilising some of our surplus capacity and cross-subsidising our core dial-a-ride business.

Our operation of school contracts for Norfolk and Suffolk County Councils raises funds to subsidise our core dial-a-ride business by bringing in additional income during the year.

Some six town and parish councils gave donations/grants which totalled £2,530 (£1,000 in 2015/16). We also received the following grants from County Councils during the year; Suffolk County Council £3,364 (£17,298 in 2015/16); Norfolk County Council £30,858 (£30,858 in 2015/16); South Norfolk Council £11,800 (£11,800 in 2015/16). Our Big Lottery grant was managed by Carole Tilston until it came to an end on August 31st; grant income during the year was £27,104 (£168,773 in 2015/16). We also repaid £19,986 of surplus funding once the project had finished.

During the year, Brian Riches continued as Chairman. The Rev. Michael Kingston joined as a trustee.

The Directors and Trustees are pleased that over the year, underlying operations made a surplus of £19,159 (£22,589 1915/16), with a deficit from the Big Lottery operations of £34,989 and net income on the Bus Club of £417. These results arise partly from having more school contracts, and partly from greater income from Dial-a-Ride services. We strive to keep reserves to meet six months' normal expenditure of £72,000 as well as a £20,000 reserve to buy new buses.

Our passengers and others continue to support our successful New Bus lottery.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2017

TRUSTEES' REPORT

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Operationally the Dial-A-Ride bus service has provided £25,324 (£31,908 2015/16). Mileage in 2017 was 100,345 (120,786 2016).

As a result of the above, the unrestricted reserves of the company have increased by £24,374 during the financial year .

Passenger journeys for the year are: Norfolk 11,950 Suffolk 5,361.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Diss & District Community Transport Association Limited is a company limited by guarantee under company number 04365607 and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 1st February 2002.

It is registered as a charity under the Charity Commission at the address of Half Moon Farm, The Street, Rushall, Diss, Norfolk IP21 4QD under charity number 1091986.

The charity's principal address is Half Moon Farm, The Street, Rushall, Diss, Norfolk IP21 4QD.

The charity is also known in the local area under the alternative name of Borderhoppa.

There are currently 5 trustees each of whom agrees to contribute up to £1 in the event of the charity's winding up.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The company mission statement is "to provide an affordable transport service to those who, for whatever reason, are without personal transport or unable to use scheduled buses and who would benefit by being transported to and from their homes to the facilities they require."

The directors' strategic objective is to continue

a) to meet the needs primarily for those who are in need because of age, mental or physical disability or poverty in particular but not to limit this to any local person.

b) to assist the charitable work of organisations and bodies engaged in promoting the relief of such persons through the provision of appropriate services.

APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

New trustees are recruited via invitation. If the proposed trustee accepts the invitation, then the new trustee is appointed by a resolution at a meeting of trustees at which there is a majority of the trustees present. This is formally documented via a memorandum of appointment of new trustees under the Charities Act 2011 part 18 (section 334).

RESERVES POLICY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2017

TRUSTEES' REPORT

The trustees have reviewed the reserves policy and consider it prudent to keep sufficient reserves, not invested in tangible assets and unrestricted, to enable the charity to meet its basic commitments for six months. This policy will be reviewed annually.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the company would be exposed and systems are being implemented to mitigate those risks where possible. The risks and systems will be regularly reviewed.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES

The charity directors (who are also trustees) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year 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 the income and expenditure of the company for the period. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:-

select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

observe methods of principles in the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic Of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). and with the Charities Act 2011.

make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

comply with applicable accounting standards 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 company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2006 (especially the duty under section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commissioners, including public benefit guidance) and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Elizabeth Klingaman MA FCA was appointed independent examiner to the charity and a resolution proposing her reappointment will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

The report was prepared in accordance with the special provisions within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2017

TRUSTEES' REPORT

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 12/10/2017

Brian Maurice Riches
Trustee

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Riches', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2017

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF DISS & DISTRICT COMMUNITY TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION LTD

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31/03/2017 .

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company 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. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales .

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an 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;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS STATEMENT

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2017

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS 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, 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



Date: 12/10/2017

Elizabeth Klingaman MA FCA
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**Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31/03/2017**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2017 Total	2016 Total
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Income from generated funds				
Donations and legacies	63,231	8,391	71,622	175,664
Income from Investments	135	-	135	254
Income from charitable activities	105,082	-	105,083	94,587
Total Income and endowments	168,448	8,391	176,840	270,505
Expenses				
Costs of generating funds				
Expenditure on Raised funds	504	856	1,360	691
Expenditure on Charitable activities	143,570	41,942	185,514	297,269
Total Expenses	144,074	42,798	186,874	297,960
Net gains on investments				
Net Income	24,374	(34,407)	(10,034)	(27,455)
Transfers between funds	(13,448)	13,448	-	-
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets				
Net movement in funds:				
Net income for the year	10,926	(20,959)	(10,034)	(27,455)
Total funds brought forward	103,635	42,678	146,313	173,769
Net funds carried forward	114,561	21,719	136,279	146,314

This statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

BALANCE SHEET AT 31/03/2017

	Notes	2017 £	2016 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	-	52,961
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors (amounts falling due within one year)	6	17,762	15,876
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>122,495</u>	<u>143,753</u>
		140,257	159,629
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>3,978</u>	<u>20,471</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		136,279	139,158
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		136,279	192,119
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	8	-	45,805
NET ASSETS		<u>136,279</u>	<u>146,314</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Unrestricted funds	10		
General fund		114,561	103,636
Restricted funds	11	<u>21,719</u>	<u>42,678</u>
		<u>136,280</u>	<u>146,314</u>
Difference on accounts		(1)	-

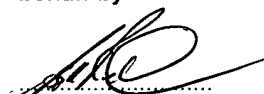
For the year ending 31/03/2017 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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 provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Approved by the board of trustees on 12/10/2017 and signed on their behalf by


 Brian Maurice Riches
 Trustee

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2017**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1a. Basis Of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS102 - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

1b. Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

1c. Resources Expended

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

1d. Allocation And Apportionment Of Costs

All costs relate to the single activity of the charitable company and are recognised accordingly.

1e. Fund Accounting

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

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for the specific future purposes or projects.

1f. Cash Flow Statement

The Company is exempt from including a statement of cash flows in its accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

1g. Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives.

Commercial Vehicles	reducing balance 25%
Equipment	reducing balance 25%

1h. Pension Costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

1i. Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value of goods and services supplied by the company, net of value added tax and trade discounts.

2. DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

Particulars of employees (including directors) are shown below:

Employee costs during the year amounted to:	2017	2016
	£	£
Wages and salaries	121,664	141,710
Social security costs	3,979	6,238
Pension costs	385	117
	<u>126,028</u>	<u>148,065</u>

3. EMPLOYEES

2017	2016
No.	No.

4. PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

	2017	2016
	£	£
Pension contributions	385	117
	<u>385</u>	<u>117</u>

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Commercial Vehicles £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 01/04/2016	199,331	5,685	205,016
Disposals	(51,560)	-	(51,560)
At 31/03/2017	<u>147,771</u>	<u>5,685</u>	<u>153,456</u>
Depreciation			
At 01/04/2016	147,771	4,284	152,055
For the year	-	1,401	1,401
At 31/03/2017	<u>147,771</u>	<u>5,685</u>	<u>153,456</u>
Net Book Amounts			
At 31/03/2017	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31/03/2016	<u>51,560</u>	<u>1,401</u>	<u>52,961</u>

6. DEBTORS

	2017 £	2016 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	12,115	9,565
VAT	2,568	5,721
Other debtors	<u>3,079</u>	<u>590</u>
	<u>17,762</u>	<u>15,876</u>

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2017 £	2016 £
Trade creditors	2,389	4,424
Taxation and social security	1,494	2,572
Other creditors	<u>95</u>	<u>13,475</u>
	<u>3,978</u>	<u>20,471</u>
Included within other creditors are obligations under finance leases	-	12,858

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2017	2016
	£	£
Other creditors	-	45,805
	<u>-</u>	<u>45,805</u>

9. LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. Each member gives a guarantee to contribute a sum not exceeding £1, to the company should it be wound up. At 31/03/2017 there were 3 members.

10. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£
General fund	103,635	168,447	(144,073)	(13,448)	114,561
	<u>103,635</u>	<u>168,447</u>	<u>(144,073)</u>	<u>(13,448)</u>	<u>114,561</u>

11. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£
Big Lottery Fund	40,256	7,118	(41,942)	(5,432)	-
Suffolk Innovation Grant	1,120	-	-	(1,120)	-
Bus Club	1,302	1,273	(856)	20,000	21,719
	<u>42,678</u>	<u>8,391</u>	<u>(42,798)</u>	<u>13,448</u>	<u>21,719</u>

Big Lottery Fund

Big Lottery Fund

Suffolk Innovation Grant

Suffolk Innovation Grant

Bus Club

Bus Club

12. COMMERCIAL FLEET

Registration	Make and model	Number of seats	Date purchased	Cost
LK57 CYG	Iveco Daily	16	June 2017	10000
SF09 HYP	Peugeot Partner	4	July 2016	10000
YN10 GWJ	VW Crafter	16	December 2013	22000
SF10 NRE	VW Crafter	16	January 2016	20000
GN10 FXD	Iveco Daily	17	June 2017	15000
AY14 CVR	Mercedes Sprinter	17	February 2014	52578
AY14 CVS	Mercedes Sprinter	17	February 2014	52578

13. REDUNDANCY PAYMENTS

During the year, the company offered redundancy to members of staff. Three members accepted statutory redundancy payments, which were £1,806.17, £4,548.23 and £3,969.36, a total of £10,323.76. These amounts were paid by electronic transfer as part of their final wages.

Expenses By Charitable Activity for the year ended 31/03/2017

	2017	2016
	£	£
Community Transportation	185,514	297,269
	<u>181,867</u>	<u>293,380</u>

Diss & District Community Transport Association Ltd

**Incoming Resources
for the year ended 31/03/2017**

	2017		2016	
	£		£	
Incoming resources				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Grants				
Suffolk County Council	3,364	17,298		
Norfolk County Council	30,858	30,858		
Parish Council	2,530	1,000		
South Norfolk District Council	11,800	11,800		
Big Lottery Fund	<u>7,118</u>	<u>107,817</u>		
	55,670		168,773	
Donations				
Membership fees	3,197	3,791		
Bus Club	1,273	1,734		
Donations	<u>11,482</u>	<u>1,366</u>		
	15,952		6,891	
	<u>71,622</u>		<u>175,664</u>	
Investment income				
Interest income	<u>135</u>	<u>254</u>		
	135		254	
	<u>135</u>		<u>254</u>	
Incoming resources from charitable activities				
Fares	44,509	48,373		
Renting out bus	4,150	-		
BSOG	4,219	6,261		
Gift Aid	106	-		
County Council contracts	<u>52,099</u>	<u>39,953</u>		
	105,083		94,587	
	<u>105,083</u>		<u>94,587</u>	
	<u>176,840</u>		<u>270,505</u>	

Diss & District Community Transport Association Ltd

**Expenses
for the year ended 31/03/2017**

	2017	2016
	£	£
Expenses		
Costs of generating funds		
Costs Of Generating Voluntary Income		
Bus Club costs	1,360	691
	<u>1,360</u>	<u>691</u>
	<u>1,360</u>	<u>691</u>
Charitable Activities		
Community Transportation		
Phone, Post & Stationery	1,097	3,937
Repairs and renewals	55	20
Accountancy	675	1,500
Professional fees	-	506
Busses running costs	42,821	53,003
Finance lease charges	9,996	24,032
Advertising	727	7,173
Travelling	2,075	2,413
Marketing and Publicity	907	510
Training	393	265
Purchase of commercial vehicle	-	30,000
Purchase of computers	-	276
Rates	100	-
Heat and light	1,250	613
Rent	6,950	4,592
Cleaning	679	-
General wages	119,418	138,097
NIC employer (wages and salaries)	3,979	6,238
Pension contributions	385	117
Insurance	441	452
Bank charges	44	18
Hire purchase interest	200	-
Sundry expenses	391	-
Depreciation of commercial vehicles	(6,363)	19,618
Profit on commercial vehicles disposal	(4,353)	-
	<u>181,867</u>	<u>293,380</u>
Governance Costs		
Accountancy	2,246	3,613
Depreciation computers	1,401	276
	<u>3,647</u>	<u>3,889</u>
	<u>186,874</u>	<u>297,960</u>

Expenses
for the year ended 31/03/2017

2017

2016