

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD

England & Wales · Charity number 1153556

Details

Other names	SCENE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	08331632
Registered	2013-08-28
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION OF THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR IN THE NORTH EAST OF ENGLAND BY WORKING WITH VOLUNTARY SECTOR ORGANISATIONS TO IMPROVE THEIR EFFICIENCY, OUTREACH AND IMPACT WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR' MEANS CHARITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS. • CHARITIES ARE ORGANISATIONS, WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES. • VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS ARE INDEPENDENT ORGANISATIONS, WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR PURPOSES THAT ADD VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, OR A SIGNIFICANT SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY, AND WHICH ARE NOT PERMITTED BY THEIR CONSTITUTION TO MAKE A PROFIT FOR PRIVATE DISTRIBUTION. VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS DO NOT INCLUDE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER STATUTORY AUTHORITIES.

Activities: To support the development, administrative management and operational management of Sustainable Community Enterprises across North East England.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Darlington
- Durham
- Gateshead
- Hartlepool
- Middlesbrough
- Newcastle Upon Tyne City
- North Tyneside
- Northumberland
- South Tyneside
- Sunderland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£13,948	£35,253	-	-
2024-03-31	£37,612	£27,997	-	-
2023-03-31	£48,370	£36,126	-	-
2022-03-31	£12,997	£17,048	-	-
2021-03-31	£69,764	£7,548	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CRAIG NICHOLSON		2020-03-04
DAVID FREDERICK VAUGHAN		2020-03-04
THOM BRADLEY		2020-03-04

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Accounts

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 08331632
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Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd
Company Limited by Guarantee
Unaudited Financial Statements
31 March 2025

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2025

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Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Charity registration number 1153556

Company registration number 08331632

Principal office and registered office 22 Beaconsfield Street
Blyth
Northumberland
NE24 2DP

The trustees

T.S. Bradley
D.F. Vaughan
C. Nicholson

Independent examiner JFS Torbitt
Chartered Certified Accountants
58 Durham Road
Birtley
Co Durham
DH3 2QJ

We are a Company Limited by Guarantee not having a Share Capital. The Company was formed on 14 December 2012. Our Bankers are Unity Trust Bank, Nine Brindley place, Birmingham. We will appoint solicitors as necessary.

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

Structure, governance and management

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors/Trustees

The Directors/Trustees meet to ensure that the users needs are reflected through diversity of the Board. To enhance the potential pool of Directors/Trustees, selected individuals who may wish to become Directors/Trustees are approached as necessary. Directors/Trustees are re-appointed annually.

Directors/Trustee Induction and Training

New Directors/Trustees are actively encouraged by the existing Directors/Trustees, having regard to any specialist skills required. New Directors/Trustees are briefed on their legal obligations under company and charity law, our Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Committee and the decision making process, future plans and recent performance. They are encouraged to attend appropriate training and made aware of Charity Commission publications. Feedback is encouraged.

Risk Management

We have assessed the major risks to which we are exposed, in particular those related to our operations and finances, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure. No major risks have been identified. A key element in our management of financial risk is the setting and regular review of our Reserves Policy.

Reserves Policy

Free reserves are those funds not tied up in Fixed Assets or Designated/Restricted funds. We forecast the level of reserves required to sustain operations, should income-generating activities be curtailed. SCENE have worked over the period to reduce our restricted reserves, significant work delivering Northumberland Log Bank support, and on developing Mediation Services and support, have reduced restricted reserves from £62,998 to £44,870 during the year. Free Reserves have also decreased over the period from £26,665 to £24,485. (£6,000 not included in free reserves, included in SFF. It remains our view that it is prudent to ensure that there are sufficient free reserves to provide financial flexibility over the course of the forthcoming challenges.

Objectives and activities

Our Object is the promotion of the Voluntary Sector in the North East of England.

Our policies are to meet our Object by working with Voluntary Sector organisations to improve their efficiency, outreach and impact within the community.

We refer to Charity Commission guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and ensuring that future plans remain focused on their achievement. Funding limits our activities, but no beneficiaries appropriate to our aims are excluded. Equal access to our services is important to us, and we will promote local understanding of our work.

Achievements and performance

SCENE have continued to successfully deliver Mediation Services, Community food projects and the Cramlington Warm Space over the period, whilst supporting the Northumberland Log Bank throughout 2024/25.

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Year ended 31 March 2025

Financial review

Our assets continue to be adequate and available to meet our obligations.

Plans for future periods

As we emerge into a post-Covid world, we will re-establish our mediation service and work with local communities to develop food-based and renewable energy projects.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:


T.S. Bradley, 22, 2025 12:16:34 GMT

T.S. Bradley
Trustee

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Year ended 31 March 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the charity'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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements 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 financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.



Jane Freeman
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Independent Examiner
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Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

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Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
	Note				
Income					
Donations and legacies	5	–	9,233	9,233	35,612
Other trading activities	6	4,410	305	4,715	2,000
Total income		<u>4,410</u>	<u>9,538</u>	<u>13,948</u>	<u>37,612</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of charitable activities	7	8,666	25,891	34,557	27,342
Governance costs	8	696	–	696	656
Total expenditure		<u>9,362</u>	<u>25,891</u>	<u>35,253</u>	<u>27,998</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		<u>(4,952)</u>	<u>(16,353)</u>	<u>(21,305)</u>	<u>9,614</u>
Transfers between funds		2,772	(2,772)	–	–
Net movement in funds		<u>(2,180)</u>	<u>(19,125)</u>	<u>(21,305)</u>	<u>9,614</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>26,665</u>	<u>62,998</u>	<u>89,663</u>	<u>80,048</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>24,485</u>	<u>43,873</u>	<u>68,358</u>	<u>89,663</u>

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

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		68,953	90,258
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>595</u>	<u>595</u>
Net current assets		<u>68,358</u>	<u>89,663</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>68,358</u>	<u>89,663</u>
Net assets		<u><u>68,358</u></u>	<u><u>89,663</u></u>
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		43,873	62,998
Unrestricted funds		<u>24,485</u>	<u>26,665</u>
Total charity funds	13	<u><u>68,358</u></u>	<u><u>89,663</u></u>

For the year ending 31 March 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements 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 financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on, and are signed on behalf of the board by:


T.S. Bradley 22, 2025 12:16:34 GMT

T.S. Bradley
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2025

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 22 Beaconsfield Street, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 2DP.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The entity satisfies the criteria of being a qualifying entity as defined in FRS 102. Its financial statements are consolidated into the financial statements of (enter name of group financial statements) which can be obtained from (enter detail). As such, advantage has been taken of the following disclosure exemptions available under paragraph 1.12 of FRS 102:

- (a) No cash flow statement has been presented for the company.
- (b) Disclosures in respect of financial instruments have not been presented.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments *(continued)*

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

4. Limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee, and the liability of each member is limited to £10. There are three members of the company.

5. Donations and legacies

	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations				
Donations	1,233	1,233	200	200
Grants				
Northumberland County Council	–	–	5,000	5,000
Northumberland County Council	–	–	2,626	2,626
NLB	8,000	8,000	27,786	27,786
	<u>9,233</u>	<u>9,233</u>	<u>35,612</u>	<u>35,612</u>

6. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Mediation Services etc	<u>4,410</u>	<u>305</u>	<u>4,715</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Mediation Services etc	<u>2,000</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>2,000</u>

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7. Costs of charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Project costs	6,882	16,574	23,456
Mediation services	1,094	4,754	5,848
Office costs	390	190	580
Bank charges	71	–	71
Equipment	–	3,160	3,160
Miscellaneous	229	1,213	1,442
	<u>8,666</u>	<u>25,891</u>	<u>34,557</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Project costs	–	17,223	17,223
Mediation services	233	7,700	7,933
Office costs	74	277	351
Bank charges	72	–	72
Equipment	–	1,189	1,189
Miscellaneous	364	210	574
	<u>743</u>	<u>26,599</u>	<u>27,342</u>

8. Governance

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Accountancy fees	<u>696</u>	<u>696</u>	<u>655</u>	<u>655</u>

9. Independent examination fees

	2025 £	2024 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>696</u>	<u>655</u>

10. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2024: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2024: Nil).

11. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees

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12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	<u>595</u>	<u>595</u>

13. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	<u>26,665</u>	<u>4,410</u>	<u>(9,495)</u>	<u>2,772</u>	<u>24,352</u>

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	<u>24,984</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(1,398)</u>	<u>1,079</u>	<u>26,665</u>

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2025 £
The National Lottery – Awards for All	4,365	–	–	(3,300)	1,065
Northumberland County Council Off the Grid	27,553	–	(305)	3,300	30,548
North Tyneside Council	445	–	–	–	445
Reach	559	–	–	(559)	–
Blyth Town Council	950	–	(950)	–	–
NLB	–	305	–	(305)	–
Northumberland County Council - Arc	27,468	9,233	(22,978)	(1,908)	11,815
	<u>1,658</u>	–	<u>(1,658)</u>	–	–
	<u>62,998</u>	<u>9,538</u>	<u>(25,891)</u>	<u>(2,772)</u>	<u>43,873</u>

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13. Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
The National Lottery – Awards for All	5,760	–	(1,395)	–	4,365
Northumberland County Council Off the Grid	29,097	–	(1,544)	–	27,553
Northumberland County Council – D Wood	1,170	–	(725)	–	445
Northumberland County Council – D Wood	1,277	–	(532)	(745)	–
North Tyneside Council Reach	1,482	–	(923)	–	559
Blyth Town Council	6,100	200	(5,350)	–	950
NLB	10,178	5,000	(15,162)	(16)	–
Northumberland County Council - Arc	–	27,786	–	(318)	27,468
	–	2,626	(968)	–	1,658
	<u>55,064</u>	<u>35,612</u>	<u>(26,599)</u>	<u>(1,079)</u>	<u>62,998</u>

14. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Current assets	24,083	44,870	68,953
Creditors less than 1 year	(595)	–	(595)
Net assets	<u>23,488</u>	<u>44,870</u>	<u>68,358</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Current assets	27,260	62,998	90,258
Creditors less than 1 year	(595)	–	(595)
Net assets	<u>26,665</u>	<u>62,998</u>	<u>89,663</u>

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Management Information

Year ended 31 March 2025

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Income		
Grants and donations		
Donations	1,233	200
Blyth Town Council	–	5,000
Northumberland County Council - Arc	–	2,626
NLB	8,000	27,786
	<u>9,233</u>	<u>35,612</u>
Other trading activities		
Mediation Services etc	4,715	2,000
	<u>4,715</u>	<u>2,000</u>
Total income	<u>13,948</u>	<u>37,612</u>
Expenditure		
Costs of charitable activities		
Project costs	23,456	17,223
Equipment	3,160	1,189
Office costs	580	351
Mediation services	5,848	7,933
Bank charges	71	72
Miscellaneous	1,442	574
	<u>34,557</u>	<u>27,342</u>
Governance		
Accountancy fees	696	655
	<u>696</u>	<u>655</u>
Total expenditure	<u>35,253</u>	<u>27,997</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(21,305)</u>	<u>9,615</u>










SCENE Accounts 31.3.25 Final

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New Directors/Trustees are actively encouraged by the existing Directors/Trustees, having regard to any specialist skills required. New Directors/Trustees are briefed on their legal obligations under company and charity law, our Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Committee and the decision-making process, future plans and recent performance. They are encouraged to attend appropriate training and made aware of Charity Commission publications. Feedback is encouraged.

Risk Management

We have assessed the major risks to which we are exposed, in particular those related to our operations and finances, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure. No major risks have been identified. A key element in our management of financial risk is the setting and regular review of our Reserves Policy.

Reserves Policy

Free reserves are those funds not tied up in Fixed Assets or Designated/Restricted funds. We forecast the level of reserves required to sustain operations, should income-generating activities be curtailed. Our free reserves increased from £16,104 to £24,984 during the year, however, £6,000 of this is earmarked for the management of food projects. It remains our view that it is prudent to ensure that there are sufficient free reserves to provide financial flexibility over the course of the forthcoming challenges.

Objectives and activities

Our Object is the promotion of the Voluntary Sector in the North East of England.

Our policies are to meet our Object by working with Voluntary Sector organisations to improve their efficiency, outreach and impact within the community.

We refer to Charity Commission guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and ensuring that future plans remain focused on their achievement. Funding limits our activities, but no beneficiaries appropriate to our aims are excluded. Equal access to our services is important to us, and we will promote local understanding of our work.

Achievements and performance

Covid restrictions adversely affected our mediation services, therefore we have developed online support and facilitated community enterprise food initiatives.

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Financial review

Our assets continue to be adequate and available to meet our obligations.

Plans for future periods

As we emerge into a post-Covid world, we will re-establish our mediation service and work with local communities to develop food-based and renewable energy projects.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 12/12/2023..... and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:


TS Bradley (Dec 14, 2023 16:21 GMT)

T.S. Bradley
Trustee

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Year ended 31 March 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the charity'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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements 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 financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

Jane Freeman
FCCA
Independent Examiner
58 Durham Road
Birtley
Co Durham
DH3 2QJ

12/12/2023

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2023

			2023		2022
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income					
Grants and donations	5	158	33,400	33,558	6,237
Other trading activities	6	14,812	–	14,812	6,760
Total income		<u>14,970</u>	<u>33,400</u>	<u>48,370</u>	<u>12,997</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of charitable activities	7	5,291	30,036	35,327	16,598
Expenditure on charitable activities	8	799	–	799	450
Total expenditure		<u>6,090</u>	<u>30,036</u>	<u>36,126</u>	<u>17,048</u>
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds		<u>8,880</u>	<u>3,364</u>	<u>12,244</u>	<u>(4,051)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		16,104	51,700	67,804	71,855
Total funds carried forward		<u>24,984</u>	<u>55,064</u>	<u>80,048</u>	<u>67,804</u>

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

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		82,960	68,254
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(2,912)	(450)
Net current assets		80,048	67,804
Total assets less current liabilities		80,048	67,804
Net assets		80,048	67,804
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		55,064	51,700
Unrestricted funds		24,984	16,104
Total charity funds	13	80,048	67,804

For the year ending 31 March 2023 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements 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 financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 12/12/2023....., and are signed on behalf of the board by:


TS Bradley (Dec 14, 2023 16:21 GMT)

T.S. Bradley
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2023

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 22 Beaconsfield Street, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 2DP.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The entity satisfies the criteria of being a qualifying entity as defined in FRS 102. Its financial statements are consolidated into the financial statements of (enter name of group financial statements) which can be obtained from (enter detail). As such, advantage has been taken of the following disclosure exemptions available under paragraph 1.12 of FRS 102:

- (a) No cash flow statement has been presented for the company.
- (b) Disclosures in respect of financial instruments have not been presented.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments *(continued)*

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

4. Limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and the liability of each member is limited to £10. There are three members of the company.

5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations			
Donations	158	–	158
Grants			
North Tyneside Council	–	2,100	2,100
Northumberland County Council	–	500	500
Reach	–	10,800	10,800
Blyth Town Council	–	20,000	20,000
	<u>158</u>	<u>33,400</u>	<u>33,558</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations			
Donations	600	–	600
Grants			
Off the Grid	–	1,170	1,170
Northumberland County Council - D Wood	–	4,467	4,467
	<u>600</u>	<u>5,637</u>	<u>6,237</u>

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

6. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Mediation Services etc	<u>14,812</u>	<u>14,812</u>	<u>6,760</u>	<u>6,760</u>

7. Costs of charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Project costs	–	20,978	20,978
Mediation services	5,060	5,717	10,777
Office costs	33	423	456
Bank charges	72	–	72
Equipment	–	2,491	2,491
Miscellaneous	126	427	553
	<u>5,291</u>	<u>30,036</u>	<u>35,327</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Project costs	3,160	3,774	6,934
Mediation services	5,101	–	5,101
Office costs	590	–	590
Bank charges	90	–	90
Equipment	–	3,853	3,853
Miscellaneous	–	30	30
	<u>8,941</u>	<u>7,657</u>	<u>16,598</u>

8. Governance

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Accountancy fees	<u>799</u>	<u>799</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>450</u>

9. Independent examination fees

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>799</u>	<u>450</u>

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

10. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2022: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil).

11. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees

12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	2,317	–
Accruals and deferred income	595	450
	<u>2,912</u>	<u>450</u>

13. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	16,104	14,970	(6,090)	24,984

	At 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£
General funds	18,135	7,360	(9,391)	16,104

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£
The National Lottery - Awards for All	6,440	–	(680)	5,760
Northumberland County Council	39,936	–	(10,839)	29,097
Community Foundation	1,975	–	(1,975)	–
Off the Grid	1,170	–	–	1,170
Northumberland County Council - D Wood	2,179	–	(902)	1,277
Northumberland County Council	–	500	(500)	–
North Tyneside Council	–	2,100	(618)	1,482
Reach	–	10,800	(4,700)	6,100
Blyth Town Council	–	20,000	(9,822)	10,178
	<u>51,700</u>	<u>33,400</u>	<u>(30,036)</u>	<u>55,064</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

13. Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

	At 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2022 £
The National Lottery - Awards for All	7,220	–	(780)	6,440
Northumberland County Council	40,000	–	(64)	39,936
Community Foundation	6,500	–	(4,525)	1,975
Off the Grid	–	1,170	–	1,170
Northumberland County Council - D Wood	–	4,467	(2,288)	2,179
	<u>53,720</u>	<u>5,637</u>	<u>(7,657)</u>	<u>51,700</u>

14. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Current assets	27,896	55,064	82,960
Creditors less than 1 year	(2,912)	–	(2,912)
Net assets	<u>24,984</u>	<u>55,064</u>	<u>80,048</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Current assets	16,554	51,700	68,254
Creditors less than 1 year	(450)	–	(450)
Net assets	<u>16,104</u>	<u>51,700</u>	<u>67,804</u>

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Management Information

Year ended 31 March 2023

The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd

Company Limited by Guarantee

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Income		
Grants and donations		
Donations	158	600
Off the Grid		1,170
North Tyneside Council	2,100	
Northumberland County Council - D Wood	–	4,467
Northumberland County Council	500	–
Reach	10,800	–
Blyth Town Council	20,000	–
	<u>33,558</u>	<u>6,237</u>
Other trading activities		
Mediation Services etc	14,812	6,760
	<u>14,812</u>	<u>6,760</u>
Total income	<u>48,370</u>	<u>12,997</u>
Expenditure		
Costs of charitable activities		
Project costs	20,978	6,934
Equipment	2,491	3,853
Office costs	456	590
Mediation services	10,777	5,101
Bank charges	72	90
Miscellaneous	553	30
	<u>35,327</u>	<u>16,598</u>
Governance		
Accountancy fees	799	450
	<u>799</u>	<u>450</u>
Total expenditure	<u>36,126</u>	<u>17,048</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>12,244</u>	<u>(4,051)</u>

JFS Torbitt
58 Durham Road
Birtley
Co Durham
DH3 2QJ

Dear JFS Torbitt,

The following representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience such as we consider necessary in connection with your independent examination of the charity's financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2023. These enquiries have included inspection of supporting documentation where appropriate and are sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can make each of the following representations. All representations are made to the best of our knowledge and belief.

General

- 1 We acknowledge that the work performed by you is substantially less in scope than an audit performed in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) and that you do not express an audit opinion.
- 2 We confirm that the charitable company qualifies as small in accordance with the conditions set out in chapter 1 of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.
- 3 We confirm that the charitable company was entitled to exemption under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 the requirement to have its financial statements for the financial year ended 31st March 2023 audited. We also confirm that the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the financial year in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- 4 We have fulfilled our responsibilities as directors / trustees as set out in the terms of your engagement letter, under the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011 for preparing financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and for making accurate representations to you.
- 5 All the transactions undertaken by the charity have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records.
- 6 All the accounting records have been made available to you for the purpose of your independent examination. We have provided you with unrestricted access to all appropriate persons within the charity, and with all other records and related information requested, including minutes of all management and trustee meetings and correspondence with The Charity Commission.
- 7 The financial statements are free of material misstatements, including omissions.
- 8 The effects of uncorrected misstatements are immaterial both individually and in total.

Assets and liabilities

- 9 The charity has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the charity's assets, except for those that are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.
- 10 All actual liabilities, contingent liabilities and guarantees given to third parties have been recorded or disclosed as appropriate.
- 11 We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value and where relevant the fair value measurements or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.

Accounting estimates

- 12 The methods, data and significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, and their related disclosures, are appropriate to achieve recognition, measurement and disclosure that is reasonable in the context of the applicable financial reporting framework.

Loans and arrangements

- 13 The charitable company has not granted any advances or credits to, or made guarantees on behalf of, directors.

Legal claims

- 14 We have disclosed to you all claims in connection with litigation that have been, or are expected to be, received and such matters, as appropriate, have been properly accounted for and disclosed in the financial statements.

Laws and regulations

- 15 We have disclosed to you all known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.

Related parties

16 We are not aware of any related party matters which require disclosure in order to comply with legislative and accounting standards requirements.

Subsequent events

17 All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements which require adjustment or disclosure have been properly accounted for and disclosed.

Going concern

18 We believe that the charity's financial statements should be prepared on a going concern basis on the grounds that current and future sources of funding or support will be more than adequate for the charity's needs. We have considered a period of twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We believe that no further disclosures relating to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern need to be made in the financial statements.

Grants and donations

19 All grants, donations and other income, the receipt of which is subject to specific terms or conditions, have been notified to you. There have been no breaches of terms or conditions in the application of such income.

20 Restricted grants and donations received in during the year are as follows:

- Northumberland County Council
- North Tyneside Council
- Reach
- Blyth Town Council

Yours faithfully

TS Bradley

[TS Bradley \(Dec 14, 2023 16:21 GMT\)](#)

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees

T.S. Bradley

Date: 12 December 2023

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD

England & Wales - Charity number 1153556

Accounts

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD

22 Beaconsfield Street
Blyth
Northumberland
NE24 2DP

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

T.W.Tasker F.C.A.
Chartered Accountant

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD

NOTICE OF MEETING

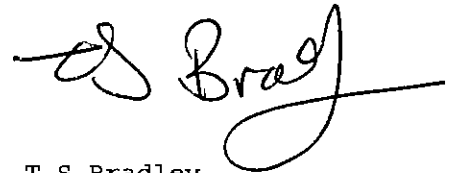
Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the company will be held at the Registered Office on 1 October 2021 to transact the following business :-

- 1, To accept short notice of meeting.
- 2, To receive and agree the Directors Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021.
- 3, To re-elect Directors.
- 4, To transact any other business of an Annual General Meeting.

Registered Office

22 Beaconsfield Street
Blyth
Northumberland
NE24 2DP

By Order of the Board



T.S. Bradley
Director

30 September 2021

NOTE :

Any member of the company entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend, and on a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the company.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD**DIRECTORS REPORT**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCE 2021

We present our Annual Report with the accounts of the company for the above year.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

We are a Company Limited by Guarantee not having a Share Capital, (No 08331632), and a Registered Charity, (No 1153556). The company was formed on 14 December 2012. Our Bankers are Unity Trust Bank, Nine Brindleyplace Birmingham. We will appoint Solicitors as necessary.

OBJECT AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

Our Object is the promotion of the Voluntary Sector in the North East of England.

Our policies are to meet our Object by working with Voluntary Sector organisations to improve their efficiency, outreach and impact within the community.

We refer to Charity Commission guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives, and ensure that future plans remain focused on their achievement. Funding limits our activities, but no beneficiaries appropriate to our aims are excluded. Equal access to our services is important to us, and we will promote local understanding of our work.

DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES

The Directors in office during the year were: T.S.Bradley, D.F.Vaughan and C.Nicholson. All Directors of the company are also Trustees of the Charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**Recruitment and Appointment of Directors/Trustees**

The Directors/Trustees seek to ensure that the users needs are reflected through the diversity of the Board. To enhance the potential pool of Directors/Trustees, selected individuals who may wish to become Directors/Trustees are approached as necessary. Directors/Trustees are re-appointed annually.

Director/Trustee Induction and Training

New Directors/Trustees are actively encouraged by the existing Directors/Trustees, having regard to any specialist skills required. New Directors/Trustees are briefed on their legal obligations under company and charity law, our Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Committee and the decision making process, future plans and recent performance. They are encouraged to attend appropriate training, and made aware of Charity Commission publications. Feedback is encouraged.

Risk Management

We have assessed the major risks to which we are exposed, in particular those related to our operations and finances, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure. No major risks have been identified. A key element in our management of financial risk is the setting and regular review of our Reserves Policy.

RESERVES POLICY

Free reserves are those funds not tied up in Fixed Assets or Designated/Restricted funds. We forecast the level of reserves required to sustain operations, should income-generating activities be curtailed. Our free reserves increased from £239 to £18,135 during the year, however £6,000 of this is earmarked for the management of food projects. It remains our view that it is prudent to ensure that there are sufficient free reserves to provide financial flexibility over the course of the forthcoming challenges.

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SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD**DIRECTORS REPORT**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

(Continued)

DEVELOPMENT, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Covid restrictions adversely affected our mediation services, therefore we have developed online support and facilitated community enterprise food initiatives.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our assets continue to be adequate and available to meet our obligations.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

As we emerge into a post-Covid world, we will re-establish our mediation service and work with local communities to develop food-based and renewable energy projects.

DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Company and charity law require us to prepare financial accounts for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the Income and Expenditure of the company for that period. In preparing those financial accounts we are required to:

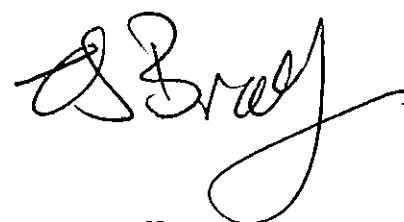
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable us to ensure that the financial accounts comply with company and charity law. We are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

SMALL COMPANY EXEMPTIONS

This report is prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Signed on behalf of the
board of directors



T.S. Bradley
Director

30 September 2021


CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, I have prepared for your approval the accounts of Sustainable Community Enterprises North East Ltd (SCENE) for the year ended 31 March 2021 from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given me.

As a practicing member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), I am subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at icaew.com/membershandbook.

This report is made solely to the Board of Directors of SCENE, as a body, in accordance with the terms of my engagement letter dated 12 August 2020. My work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of SCENE and state those matters that I have agreed to state to them, as a body, in this report in accordance with AAF 2/10 as detailed at icaew.com/compilation. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than SCENE and its Board of Directors as a body for my work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that SCENE has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and Income and Expenditure of SCENE. You consider that SCENE is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year. I have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the accounts of SCENE. For this reason, I have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given me and I do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory accounts.



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30 September 2021

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	<u>2021</u>			<u>2020</u>
		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
		£	£	£	£
<u>INCOME FROM:</u>					
Activities to further our Objects:					
Grants Received		16,500	46,500	63,000	-
Mediation Services etc		6,764	-	6,764	26,354
		<u>23,264</u>	<u>46,500</u>	<u>69,764</u>	<u>26,354</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE ON:</u>					
Operating Expenditure		<u>5,368</u>	<u>2,180</u>	<u>7,548</u>	<u>19,739</u>
<u>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</u>	4	17,896	44,320	62,216	6,615
Funds Brought Forward		<u>239</u>	<u>9,400</u>	<u>9,639</u>	<u>3,024</u>
Funds Carried Forward		<u>£ 18,135</u>	<u>£ 53,720</u>	<u>£ 71,855</u>	<u>£ 9,639</u>

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued, and there were no recognised gains or losses other than as shown above during the above two financial years.

The notes on page 5 form part of these accounts.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD

Company No. 08331632.

BALANCE SHEET**AS AT 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	<u>2021</u>			<u>2020</u>
		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets		-	-	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at Bank		20,072	53,720	73,792	12,900
CREDITORS : Amounts Becoming Due					
And Payable Within One Year:	5	1,937	-	1,937	3,261
NET CURRENT ASSETS		18,135	53,720	71,855	9,639
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		£ 18,135	£ 53,720	£ 71,855	£ 9,639
TOTAL FUNDS	6	£ 18,135	£ 53,720	£ 71,855	£ 9,639

For the year ended 31 March 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to the small companies regime.

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 responsibility for:

- ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386; and
- 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 Income and Expenditure for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 393, which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as is applicable to the company.

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Signed on behalf of the
board of directors

T.S.Bradley
Director/Trustee

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors/ Trustees on 30 September 2021.

The notes on page 5 form part of these accounts.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD**NOTES TO ACCOUNTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of Accounting**

The principal accounting policies adopted and judgements made in the preparation of the financial accounts are:

- a, The financial accounts 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS 102).
- b, As we meet the definition of a public benefit entity, assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated.
- c, Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Directors/Trustees in furtherance of our general objectives. Restricted funds are subject to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

Income

All Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when we are entitled to the Income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of Income:

- Income received by way of Donations, Legacies etc is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by ourselves, monies are recognised when we become unconditionally entitled to them. Monies related to performance and specific deliverables are accounted for as we earn the right to consideration by our performance.
- Investment Income will be included when receivable.
- The value of services provided by volunteers will not be included in the accounts.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis, including VAT. It comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of our activities and services. It includes both costs that can be allocated to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

2. MEMBERS

The company is limited by guarantee and the liability of each member is limited to £10. There are three members of the company.

3. TAXATION

As a Registered Charity, we have no liability to taxation.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTDNOTES TO ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

4. <u>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
This is stated after charging:	£	£
after charging:		
Staff Costs	-	-
Directors/Trustees Remuneration/Expenses	-	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. CREDITORS: Amounts Becoming Due And Payable Within One Year:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
Sundry Creditors	1,441	2,861
Accrued Charges	496	400
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>1,937</u>	<u>3,261</u>

6. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Brought Forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Carried Forward £
The National Lottery				
Awards for All	9,400	-	2,180	7,220
Northumberland County Council	-	40,000		40,000
Community Foundation	-	6,500		6,500
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>9,400</u>	<u>46,500</u>	<u>2,180</u>	<u>53,720</u>

The National Lottery Awards for All contributed to our mediation services.

Northumberland County Council will fund our Sustainable Food Solutions project.

Community Foundation will support community food initiatives in Blyth.

7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

T.S.Bradley, who is a Director of the company and a Trustee of the charity, is also a Director of Blyth Valley Enterprise Limited. During the year ended 31 March 2021 SCENE paid Office Rent of £3,279 (2020 £Nil) to Blyth Valley Enterprise Limited.

C.Nicholson and D.F.Vaughan, who are Directors of the company and Trustees of the charity are also Directors/Trustees of Community and Voluntary Action Blyth Valley (CVABV). During the year ended 31 March 2021 CVABV provided services to SCENE to the value of £Nil (2020:£1,200) and SCENE provided services to CVABV to the value of £699 (2020 £Nil).

All transactions were at market value.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES NORTH EAST LTD**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
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<u>EXPENDITURE ON:</u>				
Project Costs	-	2,180	2,180	-
Mediation Services	1,270	-	1,270	17,952
Office Costs	3,530	-	3,530	1,315
Bank Charges	72	-	72	72
Accountancy Fees	496	-	496	400
	<u>5,368</u>	<u>2,180</u>	<u>7,548</u>	<u>19,739</u>
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