

Accounts for FISH Volunteer Centre Charity Number 1189325
Period 4th May 2020 to March 2021

FISH Volunteer Centre (charity number 1189325) is an incorporated organisation, a non-company Charity, with a gross income of less than £250,000. As such the annual accounts are "Receipts and payments accounts contain a statement summarising all money received and paid out by the charity in the financial year, and a statement giving details of its assets and liabilities at the end of the year"

The History of the FISH and its transition from 'Old FISH'

The FISH Volunteer Centre (charity number 286313) has been operational for over 30 years and is a well established small charity. For clarity in these accounts the FISH Volunteer Centre (charity number 286313) is referred to as "Old FISH".

The term "FISH" refers to both the original "Old" FISH and this newly created "New" FISH.

As FISH works closely with SODC for various types of financial support and reporting, it was decided to align the financial year with SODC, ie April to March, rather than aligning with Old FISH's financial calendar which was January to December.

In October 2019, Old FISH decided to purchase their own premises - the old police station in Sonning Common. This required two things:

- Fund raising - the property at the time was estimated at £130,000 - another £90,000 was needed.
- FISH needed to become incorporated. This could only be achieved by setting up as a new organisation.

In May 2020, the FISH Volunteer Centre (Charity number 1189325) was registered with the Charity Commission. For clarity in these accounts this new organisation is referred to as "New FISH"

On 1st September 2020 at the AGM of Old FISH it was agreed that all assets should be transferred to New FISH - this included the mini bus and all cash at the office and bank.

Due to the pandemic, a new bank account was not opened until October 12th 2020 with a donation deposit from Old FISH of £1,000.

On 21st October 2020 (at a FISH Committee meeting), it was agreed that all FISH activities from that time onwards would be operated under New FISH.

As operational activities remained with Old FISH until 20th October 2020, financial transactions until that time (with the exception of the deposit for the new bank account) are included in the 2020 accounts for old FISH (Charity number 286313)

From 21st October 2020, all financial transactions are included in the accounts in the New FISH accounts (attached).

This includes all transactions in the bank accounts of Old FISH from 21st October. Their balances at 21st October are reported in these accounts as donations from Old FISH.

By the end of the financial year, the majority of bank activities have been moved to the new bank account.

Notable events during the period (October 2020 - March 2021):

The Coronavirus Pandemic

During this period the UK went into its second lockdown. Again FISH identified which activities could continue and how. Driving clients for essential appointments soon resumed (where covid safety measures could be implemented) home visiting was limited (phone calls) and the bus trips cancelled.

Lockdown continued to the end of the financial year (past 31st March 2021)

Purchasing 82 Lea Road - a new home for FISH.

In January 2021, FISH bought their new premises - 82 Lea Road.

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Note operational activities began 21st October 2021

Operational Income & Expenditure

Receipts

Car Service	Donations through Car Drivers	£ 2,945	£ 2,945
Minibus	Fares	0	
	Other Hire	0	
	SODC Bus Passes	1,576	
	Bus Sponsorship	0	
	Dept. for Transport – Fuel Rebate	243	1,819
Other Donations	Grants	0	
	Regular Donations	1,153	
	Donations	11,528	12,681
Other Income	Gift Aid	4,425	
	Miscellaneous	1,509	
	Bank Interest	157	6,090
	Total		23,535

Payments

Car Service	Drivers Expenses	-1,789	-1,789
Minibus	Fuel	-174	
	Servicing and Repairs	-86	
	Tax and Insurance	-60	
	Other	-50	-369
Office Expenses	Rent, Council Tax, Electricity, Cleaning	-1,923	
	Staff Costs	-3,169	
	Telephone/Broadband	-264	
	Stationery	-8	
	Sundries	-161	-5,524
Other Expenditure	Newsletter	-337	
	Miscellaneous	0	-337
	Total		-8,019

Operating Surplus/Deficit for Year

15,516

Non-Operational Income & Expenditure

Funds from Old FISH		147,589
Minibus	Sale/purchase	0
New Premises	SODC grant - 2nd half	28,920
	Expenses/costs	-145,047

Non- Operating Surplus/Deficit for Year

31,463

Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year

46,979

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March 2021

Bank and Cash Balances	Opening Bal	Closing Bal
	£	£
Cambridge and Counties Bank	0	0
Santander Reserve Account	0	250
Santander Current Account	0	250
Natwest Current Account (old)	0	4
Natwest Current Account (New)	0	46,136
Cash & unbanked cheques	0	340
	0	46,979
		46,979

Assets retained for the Charity's own use

FISH Minibus (est £40,000)
82 Leaver Road, premises

Liabilities

Final payment to Newgate; building works (£1,930)

Signed: *h. Estlin*

Date: *27/7/21*

Treasurer

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Bank & Cash Reconciliation			
	Open Bal	Closing Bal	Change
Cambs and County	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Santander Reserve	£0.00	£250.00	£250.00
Santander Bank	£0.00	£250.00	£250.00
NatWest Old	£0.00	£3.70	£3.70
NatWest New	£0.00	£46,135.75	£46,135.75
Total in bank	£0.00	£46,639.45	£46,639.45
Unbanked cash and cheques			
Cash and cheques at office :	£0.00	£274.93	£274.93
Driving money (with driver)	£0.00	£65.00	£65.00
Total banked and unbanked	£0.00	£46,979.38	£46,979.38
Total income/expenditure			£46,979.38

Note:

Opening balances for the bank accounts are shown above as nil, because the funds in these accounts belonged to Old FISH until 21st October 2021.

The final accounts of 'Old FISH' reflects this.



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Fish Volunteer Centre

**On accounts for the
period**

4th May 2020 to 31st March 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1189325

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period ended 31.03.2021

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Brian Cresswell

Date: 26th July 2021

Name:

Brian Cresswell

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).