

Reg. No. 00765860

THE ABBEYFIELD FULWOOD SOCIETY LIMITED

**UNAUDITED REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

31 AUGUST 2024

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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REGISTERED SOCIAL HOUSING PROVIDER INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Executive Committee (Directors): Mrs K L E Gibson
Mr B Walmsley
Mrs C Lowe

Company Secretary: Mrs C Lowe

Establishment: The Society is governed by its
Memorandum and Articles of Association
and is a company limited by guarantee

Registered Office: Howard House
352 Garstang Road
Fulwood
Preston
Lancashire
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Bankers: National Westminster Bank plc
292 Garstang Road
Fulwood
Preston
PR2 4RG

Accountants: L Panchal FCCA
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THE ABBEYFIELD FULWOOD SOCIETY LIMITED

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

The Executive Committee present their report, together with the Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2024.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and planning for future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The object of the charity is to provide the elderly with their own home within the security and companionship of small households which can provide focal points for goodwill and friendly contact within the community.

STATUS AND GOVERNANCE

The Abbeyfield Fulwood Society Limited is registered under the Companies Act as a Company Limited by Guarantee (number 00765860) and is also registered under the Housing Act 1974 as being wholly engaged in housing activities as defined by that Act. (Housing Corporation registration number H2252). The company is also a registered charity (Number 229830).

DIRECTORS / EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee who served during the year and at the date of issue of this report were:

Mrs K L E Gibson	
Mr B Walmsley	
Mrs C Lowe	(appointed Director and Trustee 15 May 2024)
Ms L Whitworth	(resigned 31 January 2024)
Mrs M V Duckett	(resigned 24 March 2024)
Mr J Robertson	(appointed Trustee 24 June 2024)

Members of the charitable company guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charitable company in event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 August 2024 was 4.

RESULTS

The results for the year arising are as set out in the Income and Expenditure Account. The Executive Committee considers that the state of affairs of the Society is satisfactory.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

2023/24 has seen some changes at the house in both staffing and committee, but through these changes we continue to provide excellent support for our residents.

Our housekeeper of many years, Hanora, retired this year. We were sorry to lose her services, she has been a great support to the house and we offer her our thanks for all she did for us.

We appointed a new housekeeper, Julie and we are delighted in the way she has taken on the role. Our team at the house now consists of Julie as housekeeper, Julie as relief housekeeper, Jane as cleaner and Stuart who has taken on the duties of gardener/handyman following the retirement of John – another great servant to the house we were sorry to lose.

During this year we changed our salary calculations. We are now linking all staff to the "Living Wage" instead of the minimum wage, any changes to the "Living Wage" will be awarded to our staff.

We offer all our staff our full support and look forward to working with them all as a strong team led by Julie.

Committee changes have also occurred this year. Linda, our Treasurer for many years resigned in January and although we had a replacement for a few weeks, we needed to restructure and bring in new committee members and trustees. We are grateful to new committee members who have all joined us to bring their expertise, commitment and interest to our committee.

The changes around the Treasurer role have been helped by our accountants – Champion and our bank – Nat West, who have supported us. We look forward to the new year and confirming the roles within our committee.

Within the house, we have had some changes and in particular miss Annie and Clifford who have moved to settings with more care. For a brief period this year we did have 3 vacancies, but since the summer we have been able to welcome new residents and are now in a much better position. Welcome to our new residents, we hope they have a long and happy time with us. We have had some usage of the "short-stay" room which is proving to be a great asset to the house.

Residents outings and social events have now resumed with some excellent visits – St Annes Carvery, Blackpool Zoo, and 10 pin bowling as well as in house get togethers – Bingo and Lancashire evening. All the events are well received and enjoyed by all, residents, staff, volunteers and family members. Thank you to all who help and organise in particular Julie and the staff.

Howard House (Abbeyfield Fulwood) has a settled, hardworking staff, a good team of enthusiastic committee and a positive, friendly group of residents. Our property is in good order, our finances are secure and we continue to receive positive reports. We look forward to 2025 with confidence.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

RISK REVIEW

The executive committee is continuing to review major risks to which the society might be exposed and systems are in place to mitigate such risks.

RESERVES POLICY

The society holds sufficient reserves to cover any normal liabilities and the policy is to keep such reserves at an adequate level

STATEMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The committee is responsible for preparing the report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 and registered social housing legislation require the committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the association and of its income and expenditure for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the committee is required to:

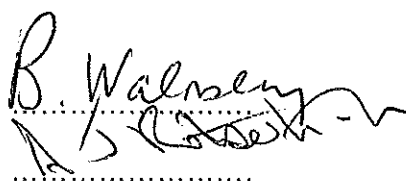
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare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

The committee is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the association and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008, the Accounting Direction for private registered providers of social housing in England 2012, Charities Act 2011 and Companies Act 2006. It has general responsibility for taking reasonable steps to safeguard the assets of the association and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

By Order of the Board

Mr B Walmsley

Mr J Robertson



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**INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS REPORT TO THE BOARD OF
THE ABBEYFIELD FULWOOD SOCIETY LIMITED**

**Independent reporting accountants' report to the members on the unaudited accounts
of The Abbeyfield Fulwood Society Limited**

We report on the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages 6 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of the Board and reporting accountants

The Board of the Registered Social Housing Provider is responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they consider that the Registered Social Housing Provider is exempt from an audit. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures designed to enable us to report our opinion.

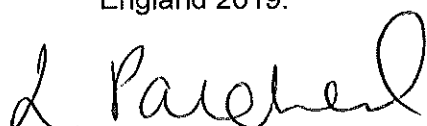
Basis of opinion

Our procedures consisted of comparing the accounts with the accounting records kept by the Registered Social Housing Provider and making such enquiries of the officers of the Registered Social Housing Provider as we considered necessary for the purpose of this report. These procedures provide the only assurance expressed in our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- the accounts for year ended 31 August 2024 are in accordance with the accounting records kept by the Registered Social Housing Provider under paragraph 135(2)(a) of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008;
- having regard only to, and on the basis of the information contained in the accounting records:
 - the accounts comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011;
 - the Registered Social Housing Provider has satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 specified in section 136(3) of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008;
- the Registered Social Housing Provider met the financial criteria enabling it to disapply the requirement to have an audit of the accounts for the year specified in section 84 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014; and
- the accounts comply with the requirements of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 and the Accounting Direction for private registered providers of social housing in England 2019.



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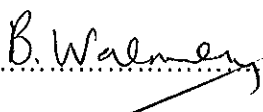
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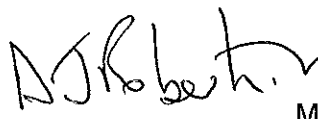
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Turnover	2	126,901	139,302
Less: Operating Costs	4	(143,261)	(119,684)
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	3	(16,360)	19,618
Interest payable		(5)	-
Interest receivable and similar income	2	16,813	10,154
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	11	448	29,772

On behalf of the Executive Committee


 Mr B Walmsley


 Mr J Robertson

BALANCE SHEET – Reg No 00765860

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed Assets					
Housing properties – depreciated cost	6	104,465		108,596	
Other tangible fixed assets	6	3,546		2,819	
			108,011		111,415
Current assets					
Debtors and prepayments	7	4,516		2,775	
Cash at bank and in hand		499,245		498,193	
		503,761		500,968	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	(3,742)		(4,801)	
Net current assets			500,019		496,167
Total assets less current liabilities			608,030		607,582
Capital and reserves					
Revenue and reserves	11		608,030		607,582

For the year ending 31 August 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

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

Directors' responsibilities:

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

These financial statements were approved by the Executive Committee on ...29/11/24...

On behalf of the Executive Committee

B. Walmsley..... Mr B Walmsley

J Robertson..... Mr J Robertson

The annexed notes form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

1 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**General information and basis of preparation**

The RSHP is incorporated in England and Wales under the Companies Act 2006 and is registered with the Housing Corporation as a Registered Social Housing Provider (RSHP). The address of the registered office is given on page 1 of these financial statements.

The RP constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (FRS 102), the Statement of Recommended Practice for Social Housing Providers 2014, and with the Accounting Direction for private registered providers of social housing in England 2015. The financial statements are also prepared under the requirements of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the RP, and rounded to the nearest £.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Turnover

Turnover represents rental income and service charges receivable net of rent and service charge losses from voids, revenue grants from local authorities and the Housing Corporation, and the disposal proceeds from current asset property disposals.

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (including social housing properties) are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and Social Housing Grant. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended such as the cost of acquiring land and buildings, development costs, interest charges on loans during the development period and expenditure on improvements. Expenditure on improvements will only be capitalised when it results in incremental future benefits such as increasing rental income, reducing maintenance costs or resulting in a significant extension of the useful economic life of the property.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets charged over the expected economic useful lives of the assets at the following annual rates:

Housing properties, houses	2% straight line
Fixtures & fittings	15% reducing balance

Major components of housing properties, such as lifts and warden alarm systems, have been accounted for and depreciated separately from the connected housing property.

The useful economic lives of all tangible assets are reviewed annually.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

1 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

Provisions

Provisions for cyclical maintenance or major works to existing stock are not made unless they represent commitments or obligations at the Balance Sheet date where there is no discretion to avoid or delay the expenditure.

Receipts in advance in respect of agreements to carry out improvement works on properties on behalf of third parties are recognised in creditors unless it is appropriate to offset such balances with other balances relating to the same third part in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 5: Reporting Financial Performance.

Housing Properties

Housing properties are principally available for rent and are stated at cost less any provision for impairment (representing a diminution in the recoverable service potential of the asset below its carrying value in the balance sheet) less depreciation. Cost includes the cost of acquiring land and buildings, development costs, interest charges incurred during the development and expenditure incurred in respect of improvements.

Works to Existing Housing Properties

Expenditure on existing housing properties is capitalised when it is either capable of generating increased future rents, extends their useful economic lives or significantly reduces future maintenance costs.

All other expenditure in respect of general repairs to the housing stock is charged to the income and expenditure accounts as it is incurred.

Property Disposals

Properties available for sale or transfer are included in current assets. The disposal proceeds from properties owned outright are included in turnover and the surplus or deficit is accounted for in the income and expenditure account of the period in which the disposal occurs as the difference between the net sale proceeds and the net carrying value.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

2 TURNOVER

	2024	2023
	£	£
<u>Residential Charges</u>		
Rents receivable	126,901	139,302
Net surplus from social housing activities	126,901	139,302
Void losses	<u>37,073</u>	<u>39,015</u>
<u>Other Income</u>		
Interest receivable	11,359	3,841
Income from solar panels	1,479	1,400
Rent receivable	<u>3,975</u>	<u>4,913</u>
	<u>16,813</u>	<u>10,154</u>

3 OPERATING SURPLUS/ DEFICIT

Operating Surplus/ Deficit is stated after charging:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation and amortisation of owned assets	<u>4,788</u>	<u>4,629</u>

No emoluments have been paid to the directors during the year.

NOTES TO THE DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

4 OPERATING COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Employee costs	55,661	48,114
Food and household costs	23,025	26,985
Rates, insurance and licences	9,255	9,062
Heating, light and cleaning	13,876	6,356
Repairs and maintenance	22,121	14,648
Office and sundry expenses	4,472	2,986
Residents Christmas party and outings	1,009	-
Helpline costs	1,289	1,685
Affiliation fees	2,667	2,902
Accountancy	5,098	2,317
Depreciation of property	4,131	4,131
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings	657	498
	<u>143,261</u>	<u>119,684</u>

5 EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

	2024	2023
The average monthly number of employees, including part time employees	4	5
The average number of persons employed during the year (expressed in full time equivalents) was:		
Office staff		-
Wardens, caretakers and cleaners	2	2
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	2024	2023
	£	£
Staff costs (including members of the Board)		
Wages and salaries	55,661	48,114
Social Security costs	-	-
	<u>55,661</u>	<u>48,114</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Fixtures and Fittings £	Total £
Cost:			
At 1 September 2023	196,237	71,461	267,698
Additions	-	1,384	1,384
At 31 August 2024	196,237	72,845	269,082
Depreciation:			
At 1 September 2023	87,641	68,642	156,283
Charge for year	4,131	657	4,788
At 31 August 2024	91,772	69,299	161,071
Net Book Value:			
At 31 August 2024	104,465	3,546	108,011
At 31 August 2023	108,596	2,819	111,415

All fixed assets are used for direct charitable purposes.

7 DEBTORS

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other debtors	4,516	2,775
	4,516	2,775

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

8 CREDITORS - AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Taxation and social security payable	872	1,319
Accruals and deferred income	2,870	3,482
	<u>3,742</u>	<u>4,801</u>

The charity aims to pay purchase invoices within 30 days of receipt.

9 RELATED PARTIES

No related party transactions have taken place during the year.

10 COMPANY STATUS

The company is limited by guarantee and as such has no share capital.

11 UNRESTRICTED INCOME & EXPENDITURE RESERVE

	2024	2023
	£	£
Retained surplus brought forward at 1 September 2023	607,582	577,810
Retained surplus/(deficit) for the year	448	29,772
Retained surplus carried forward at 31 August 2024	<u>608,030</u>	<u>607,582</u>

The company has no restrictions on the use of retained surplus.

12 UNITS

	Units at Start	Units at End
Social housing for older people - owned	9	9
	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>

