

Company Registration No. 2751RS (Scotland)

**SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND
LIMITED**

**REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2024**

SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND LIMITED

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Mr J Anderson Ms A Brown Mr C Bunyan (Chair) Mr A Christie-Henry Mr C Clark Mr D Cooper Mr J Dally (Vice Chair) Mr J Garrick Mr A Laurenson Mr J Macbeath Mr N Martin Mr J Milne Mr J Parry Mr K Pottinger Ms A Sutherland
Secretary	Mr N Martin
Company number	2751RS
Registered office	Market House 14 Market Street Lerwick Shetland ZE1 0JP
Accountants	RSM UK Tax and Accounting Limited Chartered Accountants St Olaf's Hall Church Road Lerwick Shetland Isles ZE1 0FD

SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company is to receive, manage and distribute the voluntary community benefit payments from renewable energy developers in Shetland.

SCBF have been running another year of the Viking Community Fund Advance Grant Scheme during 2023/24 which has again been very successful with a broad variety of projects and organisations receiving funding. SCBF have also spent time preparing for the main Viking Community Fund funding. IBP Strategy and Research who are engaged as the consultants for the work have almost completed the business plan for the first 5 years of the fund.

Directors

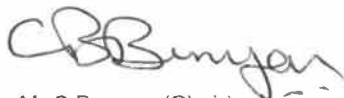
The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

Mr J Anderson
Mr R Black (Resigned 10 May 2023)
Ms A Brown
Mr C Bunyan (Chair)
Mr A Christie-Henry
Mr C Clark
Mr D Cooper
Mr J Dally (Vice Chair)
Mr J Garrick (Resigned 13 March 2024)
Mrs K Hannay
Mr A Laurenson
Mr J Macbeath
Mr N Martin
Mr J Milne
Mr J Parry
Mr K Pottinger
Ms A Sutherland

Small companies exemption

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

On behalf of the board



Mr C Bunyan (Chair)
Director



Mr J Dally (Vice Chair)
Director

15 May 2024

SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND LIMITED

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Administrative expenses	(373,409)	(354,264)
Other operating income	365,928	351,157
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Operating deficit	(7,481)	(3,107)
Interest receivable and similar income	7,481	3,107
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Surplus before taxation	-	-
Tax on surplus	-	-
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Surplus for the financial year	-	-
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SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND LIMITED**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION****AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**


	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	2		2,549		420
Current assets					
Debtors	3	2,759		1,192	
Cash at bank and in hand		610,270		489,767	
		<u>613,029</u>		<u>490,959</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>(615,306)</u>		<u>(491,107)</u>	
Net current liabilities			<u>(2,277)</u>		<u>(148)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>272</u>		<u>272</u>
Reserves					
Called up share capital	5		23		23
Income and expenditure account			249		249
			<u>272</u>		<u>272</u>
Members' funds			<u>272</u>		<u>272</u>

The company is satisfied that it is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 84 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

The directors have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with the Act.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Section 1A of FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 15 May 2024 and are signed on its behalf by:


Mr C Bunyan (Chair)
Director


Mr J Dally (Vice Chair)
Director

SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

Company information

Shetland Community Benefit Fund Limited is a private company limited by guarantee and is registered under the Cop-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 and incorporated in Scotland. The registered office is Market House, 14 Market Street, Lerwick, Shetland, ZE1 0JP.

Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. The disclosure requirements of section 1A of FRS 102 have been applied other than where additional disclosure is required to show a true and fair view.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Going concern

The directors believe that the Society will continue to perform well and will have sufficient cash to achieve the Society's goals and commitments for the foreseeable future. The directors do not consider any assets to be impaired and they continue to monitor the situation closely. The directors are therefore of the opinion it is appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Income and expenditure

Income and expenses are included in the financial statements as they become receivable or due.

Expenses include VAT where applicable as the company cannot reclaim it.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Plant and machinery	25%
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is credited or charged to surplus or deficit.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the financial asset is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including accruals, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Taxation

The company is exempt from corporation tax, it being a company not carrying on a business for the purposes of making a profit.

2 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery £
Cost	
At 1 April 2023	1,686
Additions	3,400
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At 31 March 2024	5,086
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Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 April 2023	1,266
Depreciation charged in the year	1,271
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At 31 March 2024	2,537
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Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2024	2,549
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At 31 March 2023	420
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3 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	2,759	1,192
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

4	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
		£	£
	Accruals and deferred income	615,306	491,107
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Included in accruals and deferred income is £475,105 (2023 - £427,978) to be spent in future years.

5 Members' liability

The company is limited by guarantee, not having a share capital and consequently the liability of members is limited, subject to an undertaking by each member to contribute to the net assets or liabilities of the company on winding up such amounts as may be required not exceeding £1.

SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND LIMITED

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS' REVIEW REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF SHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND LIMITED ("THE COMPANY")

We have reviewed the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of financial position and notes to the financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 7, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Accountants' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial statements. We conducted our engagement in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements (ISRE) 2400 (Revised), *Engagements to review historical financial statements* and ICAEW Technical Release TECH 09/13AAF (Revised) *Assurance review engagements on historical financial statements*. ISRE 2400 (Revised) requires us to conclude whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements, taken as a whole, are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with [applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland']. ISRE 2400 (Revised) also requires us to comply with the ICAEW Code of Ethics.

Scope of the Assurance Review

A review of financial statements in accordance with ISRE 2400 (Revised) is a limited assurance engagement. We have performed procedures primarily consisting of making enquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, applying analytical procedures and evaluating the evidence obtained. The procedures performed in a review are substantially less than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK). Accordingly, we do not, express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements have not been prepared:

- so as to give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'; and
- in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's directors, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 10 May 2021. Our review has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's directors those matters we have agreed with them in a reviewer's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's directors as a body for our review work, for this report or the conclusions we have formed.

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22nd May 2024