

Bristol Food Network CIC

Company No. 08838348

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Bristol Food Network CIC
DIRECTORS REPORT REGISTRAR

The Directors present their report and the accounts for the year ended 31 January 2019.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company during the year under review was promoting a sustainable food strategy for Bristol.

Directors

The Directors who served at any time during the year were as follows:

J.K. Carey
S. Davies
S. Laggan (Resigned 24 June 2018)
D.S. Rochman
S. Sharma
K. Sponsler
J. Stevenson

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime as set out in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Signed on behalf of the board



Kristin Sponsler

signed on 24/10/2019 15:48:49 BST
K. Sponsler

Director

22 October 2019

Bristol Food Network CIC
BALANCE SHEET REGISTRAR

at 31 January 2019

Company No. 08838348	Notes	2019 £	2018 £
Current assets			
Debtors	2	5,379	-
Cash at bank and in hand		59,404	18,288
		<u>64,783</u>	<u>18,288</u>
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	3	(53,893)	(3,138)
Net current assets		<u>10,890</u>	<u>15,150</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		10,890	15,150
Provisions for liabilities			
Deferred taxation	4	-	-
Net assets		<u>10,890</u>	<u>15,150</u>
Reserves			
Income and expenditure account		10,890	15,150
Total equity		<u>10,890</u>	<u>15,150</u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime of the Companies Act 2006.

For the year ended 31 January 2019 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

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

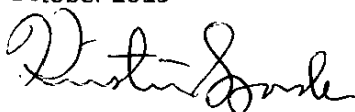
The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

As permitted by section 444 (5A) of the Companies Act 2006 the directors have not delivered to the Registrar a copy of the company's income and expenditure account.

Approved by the board on 22 October 2019

And signed on its behalf by:

Kristin Sponsler



signed on 24/10/2019 15.48.49 BST
K. Sponsler

Director

22 October 2019

Bristol Food Network CIC
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS REGISTRAR
for the year ended 31 January 2019

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (as applied to small entities by section 1A of the standard) and the Companies Act 2006 . There were no material departures from that standard.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with the accounting policies set out below.

The accounts are presented in Sterling, which is the functional currency of the company.

Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Turnover is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when all the following conditions are satisfied:

- the Company has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods;
- the Company retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Company;
- and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Specifically, revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when goods are delivered and legal title is passed.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from the surplus as reported in the income and expenditure account because of items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax is recognised on timing differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible timing differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised. The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset realised, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Current or deferred tax for the year is recognised in the income and expenditure account, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Grants

Grants are credited to deferred revenue. Grants towards capital expenditure are released to the profit and loss account over the expected useful life of the assets. Grants towards revenue expenditure are released to the profit and loss account as the related expenditure is incurred.

Provisions

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Company a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to the income and expenditure account in the year that the Company becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at balance sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the balance sheet.

Bristol Food Network CIC
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS REGISTRAR

2 Debtors

	2019	2018
	£	£
Trade debtors	3,578	-
Deferred tax asset (see note 4)	1,801	-
	<u>5,379</u>	<u>-</u>

3 Creditors:

amounts falling due within one year

	2019	2018
	£	£
Other taxes and social security	226	-
Accruals and deferred income	53,667	3,138
	<u>53,893</u>	<u>3,138</u>

4 Provisions for liabilities

Deferred taxation

	Accelerated Capital Allowances, Losses and Other Timing Differences	Total
	£	£
Charge to the income and expenditure account for the year	(1,801)	(1,801)
At 31 January 2019	<u>(1,801)</u>	<u>(1,801)</u>

Deferred tax asset (see note 2)

	2019	2018
	£	£
Tax losses	(1,801)	-
	<u>(1,801)</u>	<u>-</u>

5 Reserves

Income and expenditure account - includes all current and prior period retained surpluses and deficits.

6 Additional information

Bristol Food Network CIC is a private company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England and Wales.

Its registered number is:

08838348

3 Burlington Road

Bristol

BS6 6TJ

The company is a public benefit entity.

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Community Interest Company Report

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Company Name in full	Bristol Food Network C I C
Company Number	08838348
Year Ending	31 January 2019

This template illustrates what the Regulator of Community Interest Companies considers to be best practice for completing a simplified community interest company report. All such reports must be delivered in accordance with section 34 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 and contain the information required by Part 7 of the Community Interest Company Regulations 2005. For further guidance see chapter 8 of the Regulator's guidance notes and the alternate example provided for a more complex company with more detailed notes.

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PART 1 - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

In the space provided below, please insert a general account of the company's activities in the financial year to which the report relates, including a description of how they have benefited the community.

Bristol Food Network C.I.C. supports, informs and connects individuals, community projects, organisations and businesses who share a vision to transform Bristol into a sustainable food city. In 2017 Bristol Food Network was involved in the following projects that helped to deliver on these various aims among various stakeholders in the city-wide food community as well as the wider public:

In March 2016, Bristol won a Silver Sustainable Food Cities Award. In Spring 2017 we applied for, and were successful recipients in the 1st Round of Sustainable Food Cities (SFC) Coordinator Grants. We were then successful in obtaining follow-on SFC funding from September 2018. The primary object of the funding was to employ a part-time coordinator to help develop and facilitate Bristol's plans to become a Gold standard Sustainable Food City.

When we started this phase of work, Sustainable Food Cities had not yet defined what a 'Gold' level of achievement would look like. As part of our grant, we agreed to work alongside the only other 'Silver' city at that time – Brighton & Hove – and the Sustainable Food Cities Project Management Board (PMB) to help define what a reasonable yet ambitious target should be for 'Gold'. This, in outline, has evolved to be that in addition to maintaining activities at 'Silver' level, the city should identify at least two areas of food excellence to develop, which they should present to the PMB who will then agree or not that the aspiration is 'Gold' enough.

For the first half of 2018 we continued to look at four potential areas of excellence:

- i) Food insecurity/poverty, working closely with Feeding Bristol
(or possibly combined with Bristol Public Health's work on healthy eating)
- ii) Growing food with nature, working closely with Avon Wildlife Trust
- iii) Food waste, working closely with Bristol Waste and Resource Futures

Research on Bristol's food insecurity: In April 2018 Bristol Food Network proposed and started work on a 3-month piece of research commissioned by Feeding Bristol, that aimed to establish a more detailed understanding of food provision and the incidence of food insecurity in 10 key wards. Where there is food retail, is there adequate fresh food provision? What alternative delivery services or veg box drop-off points are there? Where are community meals available? Which organisations are involved with supporting emergency food provision or with enabling people to become less food insecure etc. The intention was that once we have a genuine picture of the actual provision on the ground, combined with up-to-date food insecurity data, we can start to look at where Community Food Hubs might be developed or expanded. The draft report was delivered in 2018 and published in January 2019.

Developing a two-year Going for Gold proposal: As a parallel activity to the research project, output from all the food poverty-themed cooking and growing roundtable sessions held during 2017 was synthesized into an overall ambition for the city: One good meal every day for everyone. This ambition fits in well with the Mayor's priorities around 'hunger' and Public Health's concerns around healthy diet and healthy weight. By making sure that the Bristol Food Policy Council definition of Good Food is embedded within this ambition, we can also ensure that sustainability remains a key concern (where Good Food is good for nature, good for workers, good for local businesses and good for animal welfare).

Bristol Food Network prepared a paper on this G4G ambition 'One good meal every day for everyone' which was presented to a meeting at Bristol City Council in April. This brought together representatives from BCC's Sustainable Cities and Public Health teams, The Bristol Food Policy Council, West of England Food Procurement Group, Feeding Bristol, the Green Capital Partnership, and Sustainable Food Cities. The outcomes from this meeting were:

- Support from all those attending for the G4G ambition
- Agreement from BCC to offer match-funding for the SFC coordinator post
- Agreement that BCC will sign the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact
- Agreement that BCC will host a new steering group for G4G (which will also help coordinate activity and policy within BCC)
- Agreement that a paper outlining the above would be presented to Cabinet

The G4G paper has subsequently been presented to and accepted by Cabinet, meaning that we now have full Council support for the G4G ambition over the next two years.

Food waste: In October we hosted an initial roundtable with the major waste organisations in the city – Bristol Waste, GenECO and Resource Futures – to find out what is already planned for the city.

In March we hosted two further roundtables on commercial and domestic food waste. The input from these sessions has been documented and circulated to participants, and we have created "Postcards from the future" visions for our food waste ambitions. Projects or funding bids may emerge from these discussions may include:

- Attempting to calculate Bristol's whole food waste footprint (taking into account all domestic and commercial food waste)
- Working with a pilot cluster of food businesses on food waste reduction
- A citywide public engagement programme (expanding on a successful pilot already run by Bristol Waste across one ward)

Over 60 people took part in total in the roundtable sessions.

Growing food with nature: Following feedback from SFC, we focused more on potential Food Poverty and Food Waste strands of work, with scope to develop further strands around Procurement and Teaching a city to Cook. SFC felt that 'Growing food with nature' was not a broad-enough theme to develop as an area of excellence, and if we were to pursue that idea, it would need to have an individual householder campaign at its heart, rather than a focus on commercial and community growers. As Avon Wildlife Trust have run a high-profile 'My Wild City' campaign relatively recently, it would be difficult for us to brand a 'Growing food with nature' campaign as something entirely fresh to Bristol householders – for us not to be confusing or duplicating others' messaging – including that of Garden Organic and the Soil Association. However, there was a presentation from Tim Martin, BBC Natural History Unit producer, at the recent West of England Food Procurement Group's 'Innovations in the costs of catering' conference. This put forward the case for a scheme that goes beyond countryside stewardship, paying farmers a premium for food grown on farms which provide home to some of our rarest species. This suggests that there is still potential to develop some local work on this theme, building on Bristol's reputation as a centre for wildlife filming and expertise and working to tell positive stories about our local growers.

Going for Gold proposal: In September 2018 we made our submission to the Sustainable Cities Project Management Board with our proposal for what 'Gold' would look like for Bristol, settling on two areas of excellence which have subsequently been agreed with the PMB:

Catering & Procurement: based around a pledge scheme for anyone serving food in the city (public sector and commercial), to look at improvements to sourcing

Food Waste: working towards becoming a Zero Food Waste City

We have established a Going for Gold Steering Group, chaired by Bristol City Councillor and Deputy Mayor Asher Craig, and having representation on both the areas of excellence plus other key aspects of the food system.

Bristol's Get Growing Garden Trail 2018; The Get Growing Garden Trail is a shared open day (or days) for community growing projects in Bristol. It allows visitors to explore allotments, community orchards and smallholdings which are not normally open to the public, and for participating groups to attract new volunteers. Bristol Food Network have helped to run the event since 2011.

We ran a Crowdfunding campaign in 2017 in order to fund Get Growing in 2018, raising £3,000 through the help of many of the participating growing groups who offered "Rewards" which contributors could obtain in exchange for their donations.

This year, we decided to run Get Growing throughout the month of June, rather than over one weekend - giving the participants bigger choice over their opening day, and visitors more opportunities to visit more gardens. Also, we wanted to make the event less vulnerable to a single weekend of bad weather.

- 30 projects took part - 7 of them for the first time.
- We organised 3 led walks to encourage visitors to explore further and to connect-up projects.
- We promoted more volunteer sessions and workdays, so people could get immediately involved.

Community Fridge Network: Bristol Food Network have been working with Hubbub to help kick-start a Community Fridge Network in the city. Community Fridges are a place where good food is shared within a community rather than being wasted. A chiller fridge and dry shelves are set up within a well-used centre. People within the local community including food retail shops, cafes and allotment holders can donate food that would otherwise be wasted, the food is then available for anyone to take, encouraging a sharing economy of giving and receiving. There is no registration for users or eligibility checks, which takes away any stigma associated with hand outs.

On 29 January 2019 the first Bristol Community Fridge opened its doors within Compass Point Children's Centre. Bristol Food Network worked to identify suitable sites which could host a fridge; made the practical arrangements with Compass Point; organised a press/launch event; and continue to promote use/stocking of the Compass Point fridge, mainly through social media. We envisage around 0.5 tonnes of food will be distributed each month and that the fridge network will expand during 2019.

National and International Visits: Over the summer of 2018, Bristol Food Network hosted five visits from South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Spain and Northern Ireland. The groups ranged from 1–8 people and from 1 to several days, all looking for ideas, answers and support. The groups were made up of the municipality, university, third sector, development groups and farmers. Some of the areas the groups were interested in included:

- Urban food growing, local food production, positioning local produce in retail
- How a city feeds itself
- Farmers' markets, local street food, consumer groups, online, retail industry
- Local initiatives, NGOs, local communities and volunteers
- Supply to market, distribution, logistics
- Policy and campaigning
- Public, statutory and private coordination and collaboration,
- Healthy eating schemes, heritage, public perception and demand

Bristol's Local Food Update newsletter and website: We continued sending out our MailChimp newsletter linked to increased content on the website throughout 2018 to over 1500 subscribers.

Bristol Food Network Partners: Bristol Food Network extends its reach by being represented on several city-wide organisations such as the Bristol Food Policy Council, Bristol Green Capital Partnership board, West of England Procurement Group, Bristol Good Food Alliance, and Feeding Bristol. The Bristol Green Capital Partnership is made up of 800 member organisations across the City and sponsors both Quarterly Gatherings around specific themes and Monthly Green Mingle meetups.

PART 2 – CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS – Please indicate who the company's stakeholders are; how the stakeholders have been consulted and what action, if any, has the company taken in response to feedback from its consultations? If there has been no consultation, this should be made clear.

In 2018 Bristol Food Network communicated with over 1500 monthly newsletter subscribers, interacted with several other city-wide organisations through being represented on the Green Capital Board, Bristol Food Policy Council, the West of England Procurement Group, Feeding Bristol, Bristol Good Food Alliance, and led or hosted several networking meetings and roundtable discussions at various food-related events and as part of our Sustainable Food Cities Going for Gold initiative. We also compiled a paper which outline our Going for Gold objectives, which has subsequently been presented to and accepted by Cabinet, meaning that we now have full Council support for the G4G ambition over the next two years

(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").

PART 3 – DIRECTORS’ REMUNERATION – if you have provided full details in your accounts you need not reproduce it here. Please clearly identify the information within the accounts and confirm that, “There were no other transactions or arrangements in connection with the remuneration of directors, or compensation for director’s loss of office, which require to be disclosed” (See example with full notes). If no remuneration was received you must state that “no remuneration was received” below.

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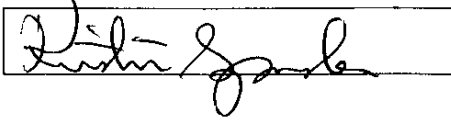
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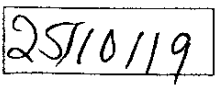
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PART 5 – SIGNATORY

The original report must be signed by a director or secretary of the company

Signed 

Date 

Office held (delete as appropriate) Director/Secretary

You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite but if you do, it will help the Registrar of Companies to contact you if there is a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

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DX Number	DX Exchange

When you have completed and signed the form, please attach it to the accounts and send both forms by post to the Registrar of Companies at:

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