EQUAL EXCHANGE LIMITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 MARCH 2014



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Company No.: SC078554 Charity No.: SC004194

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

The Directors present their 27th Annual Report on the Company's activities.

Company Structure

The Company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each of its members is limited to £1.00. The Company is recognised as a charity by the Inland Revenue for the purposes of Income and Corporation Tax.

Principal Activity and Business Review

The Company is a membership organisation engaged in promoting trade with the Third World. The Company has provided a source of long term finance for its associated company, Equal Exchange Trading Limited. The accounts cover the year ended 31st March 2014. The comparative figures are for the year ended 31st March 2013. The results for the year are shown in the attached accounts. During the year the company made a donation towards production of 'Real Reels', a series of short films highlighting fair trade producers and products.

Directors

The Directors who served during the year and to the date of this report were:-

Norman Lockhart Martin Meteyard Rachel Farey Charlie Bridge

No Directors had any contract with the Company.

Reserves Policy

It is the intention of the directors to continue to lend money to Equal Exchange Trading Ltd thus enabling it to secure further loans. It is also the intention of directors to continue to use reserves to support projects in the Third World.

Statement on Risk

The Directors have considered the major risks to which the company could be exposed, and have taken steps to minimise their effect.

By Order of the Board

Martin Meteyard, Secretary

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16th December 2014

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO EQUAL EXCHANGE LIMITED ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE CHARITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2014 SET OUT IN PAGES 4 TO 7.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of he accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the Companies Acts 1985 and 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiners Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seek explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

- 1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations and with the Companies Acts 1985 and 2006.

Have not been met or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 16th December 2014

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

	2014	2013
	£	£
Sundry Income - Subscriptions & Donations	380	144
Donations	200	198
Administrative Costs	150	170_
	350	368
Operating / (Deficit) surplus for the year	30	(224)
Bank interest received	2	2
Interest receivable on loan to Associated Undertaking	1530	1530_
Net (deficit) / surplus for the year before and after taxation (Note 2)	1562	1308
Profit and Loss Account brought forward at 1st April 2013	31702	30394
Profit and Loss Account carried forward as at 31st March 2014	33264	31702

The Notes on pages 6 and 7 form part of these Accounts.

There are no realised profits or losses other than those dealt with above. There are no differences between the surplus or deficit reported above and the historical profit or loss for the year. There are no movements on reserves other than those reported above. As there is no share capital the movements on shareholders' funds are the same as the movements on reserves shown above.

Statement of Financial Affairs	2014	2013
	£	£
Incoming Resources		
Subscriptions and Donations	380	144
Interest receivable	1532	1532
Total Incoming resources	1912	1676
Use of Resources		
Activities in furtherance of charitable objectives – donations	200	198
Governance costs	150	170_
Total outgoing resources	350	368
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for year	1562	1308
Funds at 1 st April 2013	31702	30394
Funds at 31 st March 2014	33264	31702

All figures refer to unrestricted funds.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2014

	Note	2014	2013
		£	£
Fixed Assets			
Share in associated undertaking	4	500	500
Loan to associated undertaking - Amount repayable after one	5	26500	26500
year			
		27000	27000
Current Assets			
Short Term loan to assoc undertaking	5	12453	10923
Bank and cash balances		2362_	2180
		14815	13103
Less Current Liabilities			
Creditors - due within one year	3	8551	8401
Net Current (liabilities)/Assets		6264	4702_
		33264	31702
Representing			
Capital and Reserves - Profit and Loss Account		33264	31702

For the year ending 31st March 2014 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to smaller companies.

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 accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and the financial reporting standard for small enterprises.

The accounts are approved by the Directors at their meeting on 16th December 2014

and signed on their behalf by

Martin Meteyard, Director

The Notes on pages 6 & 7 form part of these accounts.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 MARCH 2014

1. Accounting Policies

<u>Basis of accounting</u>- the accounts are prepared on the historical cost basis and on the going concern basis in accordance with current accounting standards.

<u>Turnover</u> - the company made no sales; other income is credited as it is received together with any associated taxation credit

<u>Taxation</u> - the company is accepted by the Inland Revenue as a charity for the purposes of Section 505 ICTA 1988.

2. Profit and Loss Account	2014	2013
	£	£
Directors' remuneration for the year was Nil	-	-
There were no other employees during the year (2013 Nil)	-	-
Independent Examiner's fees	150	150
3. Creditors due within one year		
Accrued charges	466	316
Loans from supporters	8085	8085
	8551	8401

The loans are unsecured. £1220 of the loans notionally carry interest at 5% but the lenders have foregone interest. The remainder of the loans are interest free. Loans are repayable at differing rates of notice ranging from none to one year.

4. Associated Undertaking

The company owns one co-operative share in Equal Exchange Trading Ltd. This share represents one seventh of the Co-operative shares in issue with a right of veto over certain assets of the management of Equal Exchange Trading Ltd. The Directors therefore consider that Equal Exchange Trading Ltd is an associated undertaking.

The total shareholding in Equal Exchange Trading Limited is as follows	2014	2013
	£	£
1 A share of £1	1	1
500 B shares of £1 each	500	500
	501	501

Equal Exchange Trading Ltd's most recent financial year ended on 31st October 2013. Its accounts show a net profit after taxation for the year ended 31 October 2013 of £22,5442 (2012: loss £140,973), and a total accumulated share capital and surplus of £235,807 (2012: deficit £239,502) at that date. The Balance Sheet of the company shows net current assets at 31 October 2013 of £205,497 (2012: £202,028). Interest receivable during the year from Equal Exchange Trading Limited has been shown in the profit and loss account.

5. Loans to the Associated Undertaking	2014	2013
-	£	£
Shown as fixed asset -		
Long term loan repayable quarterly at a rate of £500 with		
interest at 5% per annum repayable after 1 April 2015	26500	26500

Shown as current asset -		
Long term loan repayable before 31.3.2014	4000	2000
Interest Receivable	8453	2768
All the loans are unsecured		
	12453	4768

6. Capital Structure

The Company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability of members is limited to £1.00 each.