

# Folk Camps Society Limited



Incorporated as a company Limited by Guarantee and not having Share Capital

Company Registration Number (England and Wales) 00931434  
Registered as a Charity - Number 255901

Registered address:- Llanover House, Llanover Road, Pontypridd,  
Rhondda Cynon Taff CF37 4DY

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Annual General Meeting of the members of Folk Camps Society Limited will take place at Toddington Village Hall, Leighton Road, Toddington, Bedfordshire LU5 6AN on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 2.30pm.

Associate members may also attend but cannot vote.

Liz Cooper  
Chair

## AGENDA

- 1 To receive apologies
- 2 To confirm the minutes of the AGM on 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2016
- 3 To consider any matters arising
- 4 To appoint Tellers for a Ballot
- 5 To appoint 2 members to the Council of Management\*
- 6 To adopt the report and accounts for the year 2016/2017
- 7 To appoint James de Frias Limited as accountants
- 8 Resolutions proposed in advance by Governing Members \*\*
- 9 Any Other Business (by leave of the Chair)

\* note to Agenda Item 5:- By 10<sup>th</sup> October there were two nominations for two vacancies, so an election will not be necessary.

\*\* note to Agenda Item 8:- By 10<sup>th</sup> October there were no resolutions proposed in advance by Governing Members.

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting  
held at Toddington Village Hall, Toddington, 19th Nov. 2016**

The AGM was declared open at 14:37 by Patrick Self in the chair.

**1. Present:** 38 Governing Members and 4 Associate members, 6 members of Council

Apologies were received from 32 Governing Members and two Council Members.

**2. Minutes of last meeting AGM:** The minutes of the 2015 AGM were discussed, Stuart Beattie proposed and Regine de Frettes seconded acceptance of the AGM minutes and members voted their approval.

**3. Matters arising:** There were none.

**4. Tellers for a ballot:** Tellers were not required as there was no election and no members' resolutions.

**5. Election of New Council members:** The following members finished their allowed terms on Council: Anne Kenyon and Patrick Self. The following member had stood down from Council during 2016: Susan James. The following member was re-appointed to serve on Council for 2016-2017: Lou Tribus. Two members who were co-opted in 2015-16 were elected to serve on Council for 2016-17: Marcus de Frettes and Tony Mealings. Three new members were elected to serve on Council for 2016-17: Val Coleman-Porritt, Emma Daniel, and Barry Pollard. Council now up to strength with 9 members. The chair advised that Council were confident that although there were relationships between new Council members and contractors, this was not in conflict with the rules, and that Council would manage issues around potential conflicts of interest as they arose.

Ray Garnett proposed a vote of thanks for those Council members who were retiring, which was agreed enthusiastically by members

**6. Adoption of report & accounts:**

Adoption of the 2015-2016 accounts was proposed by Sue Malleson and seconded by Jacqueline Beattie and carried unanimously. Sue also thanked Council and Contractors for doing a good job in keeping the finances on an even keel.

## **7. Appointment of James de Frias as accountants:**

Reappointment of James de Frias as Accountants was proposed under AOB by Barry Pollard (in honour of Cecil French), seconded by Brian Pollard and carried unanimously.

**8. Resolutions in Advance:** There were none.

## **9. Presentation of Promote Bursary Project – Viv Baker**

Viv played her presentation – a collection of sound clips and images with natural lighting inspired by Folk Camp. Her intention was to highlight different aspects of the experience not already covered by the video from 2015. She explained that the source material was now available to be part of a sound and image bank which offered the potential to create sets of images and sound clips to create little cameos of Folk Camps experiences, including drawings and paintings as well as film.

Patrick invited volunteers to come forward to progress these opportunities.

Viv also mentioned that the presentation includes a sound clip of Bill Rutter's son Julian making an emotional speech at the Roch camp, which was near his home.

Other forthcoming projects to be supported by the Development Fund were discussed:

Sue Malleson has some Playford Morris and folk songs arrangements for descant recorders arranged by her dad, and she proposes to digitise these and make them available for others via the website with the aid of a Dev Fund grant.

Tony Mealings advised of a joint project between Keith Gregson and John New to make recordings and transcripts of John's compositions for wider circulation and enjoyment.

## **10. Any other business:**

- The Chairman, Patrick Self, ran through a slide show, firstly recent initiatives: the purchase of new items including cookers to replace the very old ranges, kitchen shelving, fridges, and individual shower tents as used at Roch. He advised that the marquee camp shower tents will be replaced by individual ones next season, this is partly due to their age and partly their weight and bulk.

- The 2016 season was discussed. Jacqueline Beattie praised the quality of the toilet ramp at Rhayader, and a discussion followed about toilet provision, Sarah Richardson highlighted that toilets represent a significant proportion of the costs of marquee camp. Patrick discussed the challenges of the Roch camp, advising that we had been told the building work would be completed by the time of the camp, but that Steve and Graham rose to the challenge to make the camp safe and manageable.
- Successes of the season included the fine work of new staff, and work on welcoming new campers. Lou Tribus talked about the new campers' tea and recommended it become a fixture. Sunday afternoon tea helps to introduce new campers at a relaxed pace with cakes. Lou suggested a loose definition of "new" for invitations.
- Folk Campers are generally happy; this year's comments are largely positive.
- In 2017 we have three new locations and will run the Miserden In-betweener again – between Session and Singers South. Steve Porritt described the format and recommended it to members as a relaxing break. Patrick discussed Orcop, the hall venue, a beautiful area, a rather homely village hall with a huge field, and Gaunts the marquee camp, which at present has a choice of two fields to choose. Sarah requested that members don't contact the Gaunts' Estate which is a separate concern to do with the main house. For August Bank Holiday we will be going to the Meon Hall, a big hall in Hampshire, quiet, lovely area and big field, with showers and toilets which can be accessible overnight.
  - Helen Self asked if there were problems with Kington Langley but Patrick advised that we were looking to develop a relationship with Meon Hall, as it might be a suitable summer camp venue if we make a good impression.
- Patrick introduced the change to booking conditions for summer camps this season, explaining that Council had increased the pay before date to two months in order to help

manage waiting lists and increase uptake of places. Marigold Gorick commented that the change disadvantaged those with casual contracts in education, but Patrick responded that the change aligned us better with other holiday supplier arrangements.

- Liz Cooper discussed the recent advice of a Health & Safety advisor. We have made considerable progress on this in the last few years. The advisor was interested in the fact that we own no land or property and said that this makes things much easier for us in terms of obstacles to overcome. This is another factor in the field feasibility project closure. Council have an 8 year H&S plan to progress, documentation needs to be updated, particularly management checklists.
- What could members do? Tony showed samples of the “Ask me about Folk Camps2 badges and hoodies, and explained that Council wish to target marketing in a more focussed way on those already doing folk activities. He said we are looking at a trickle of new recruits rather than a deluge, and that the intention is to focus on those with a degree of commitment to the folk world. Tony covered the summer promotion, that had provided materials for people to take to festivals, clubs etc to start conversations. He explained that the promotion was done in a rush, and that only one size and colour of hoodies had been specified, with the badges worn at the same time. The reward system devised had been a bit complex. After review, the promotion has been changed to use the current Introduce a Friend system. Anyone interested in promotion with the current materials, please contact Marcus and advise what is planned. Introduce a Friend is an effective option, last year two people earned over £100 in credit.
- How do we communicate with potential recruits? We need members help, our best methods are word of mouth and press releases or editorials for magazines and websites. Please get in touch with the marketing group with suggestions.
- Facebook presentation. Lou gave an extensive presentation about Folk Camps current and planned use of Facebook as a marketing & publicity tool, and the development of Facebook

groups for staff to share information and best practice. Suggestions included: a joint staffing group (Will Riding, agreed to contribute to development); concern about privacy when posting & sharing to groups (Viv Baker / Jenny Newman) & need for moderation; privacy of people in sensitive jobs (Simon Hopper); guidelines for posting and interaction (Helen Self); request that paper process not overlooked when promoting (Faith Kemp); looking for admin for re-launched or new Mushroom City group.

- **Actions – LT – investigate moderation, policy about implied promotion / advertising of commercial ventures.**
  - **Comment – Patrick advised that opt out is already addressed in the booking conditions**
- Patrick reported on interaction with EFDSS prompted and led by Jacqueline and Stuart Beattie. Jacqueline discussed Folk Camps origins – Bill Rutter worked at EFDSS as an organiser, and her research with Faith Kemp and Christine Corkett has highlighted the archive prepared by the organisers of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Volunteers are requested for archive management and development. At the meeting with EFDSS Jacqueline and Stuart covered a brief history and explored options of joint working. The current EFDSS management had not heard about us and were impressed and keen to support us. They would like a rep on their Folk Educators group and offer us publicity in EDS journal. Jacqueline encouraged people to be involved in smaller ways to contribute.
    - Ray Garnett observed that he and Marion started Folk Camping after picking up a leaflet at CS House.
  - 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2018 – Do we want to celebrate? General agreement. How, where, when? Comments included: CS House can be inaccessible especially for those with reduced mobility (Faith Kemp); suggestion of a Reunion weekend (Jenny Newman) possibly a holiday park out of season (Helen Self).
  - AOB from the floor:
    - Appointing James de Frias as accountants (Barry Pollard) see above s 7.

- Marigold Gorick suggested the purchase of a couple of ipads as a physical educational resource at camp, carrying a bank of material, books etc. **Action: Council to consider.**
- Sue Malleson thanked retiring and current Council members for their hard work on behalf of members.  
General agreement
- Liz asked for a vote of thanks to Patrick, gave a speech and made a presentation of gifts. Patrick responded in kind

The meeting closed at 16:08

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**Report of the Trustees and**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31 August 2017**  
**for**  
**FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

James de Frias Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditors  
Llanover House  
Llanover Road  
Pontypridd  
Mid Glamorgan  
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**FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

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**for the Year Ended 31 August 2017**

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## **FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

### **Operating and Financial Review for the Year Ended 31 August 2017**

During the 2017 camping season, 18 events were provided at 10 sites ( 3 used twice and 1 used 3 times, one used for 4 events). The season comprised 10 self-catering weekends, one self-catered week and 6 catered events, lasting from two days to one week.

Compared to 2016, the numbers attending the 2017 summer marquee camps increased by 121 but attendance at summer hall camps fell by 90 resulting in a total increase at catered weeks of 31 . The number attending the bank holiday weekend camps increased by 33 and attendance at the workshop weekend camps decreased by 29 . Attendance at the craft break decreased by 4 . There were no European camps. As a result, the total number of people booked for the season increased by from 1139 in 2016 to 1170 in 2017.

The Council is mindful that it needs to maintain marketing initiatives to promote the Society's events. The number of new people attending events dropped by 43 to 93 with new attendees representing 12.5 % of the total 2017 attendees, a drop of 6% on 2016. May Bank Holiday Loxwood and Marquee week 2 had the largest increases.

The income from the Society's activities for the year increased to £140,809 (2015/16 income £128,966). The increase in camp expenses and continued investment in new equipment and higher operating costs generally caused operating expenses to also increase to £151,273 (2015/16 expenses £136,014) resulting in a trading loss of £5,306 (2015/16 trading loss £6,844). Additional income from investments of £3,304 (2015/16 investment income £4,438) created a total loss of £7,160 (2015/16 £2,610)

However, during the year the value of the Society's investment in M&G Charifund and in M&G Charibond increased by £5,158 (2015/16 £204) thus leaving an overall deficit for the year of £2,002 (2015/16 £ 2,406). These are long term investment funds designed to provide charities with a high and growing income, while at the same time protecting capital from the erosive effect of inflation.

The Council of Management wishes to affirm its policy to set charges so that any surplus is just sufficient to maintain the real value of the reserves. The Council is committed to providing for the continued viability and well-being of the Society.

The Council is very grateful for all the help it receives from the members of the Society, especially the camp staff and their families, without whom the operation of Folk Camps would not be possible.

## **FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

### **Report of the Trustees** **for the Year Ended 31 August 2017**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2017. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

The trustees have complied with their duty under section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims**

The object of the Society is to preserve for the benefit of the public English folk dances and songs and other folk music, dance and song (including singing games), to make them known and to encourage the practice of them in their traditional forms.

##### **Significant activities**

The only significant activity of the Society is to organise Folk Camps throughout the year based on its objectives and aims.

##### **Volunteers**

All Trustees and camp staff are volunteers and receive no remuneration for their activities on behalf of the Society.

##### **How our activities deliver public benefit**

All our charitable activities focus on promoting Folk Camps and are undertaken to further our charitable purpose for the public benefit.

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

##### **Charitable activities**

The Society provides a sufficient number of Folk Camps to a gradually increasing number of campers in order to further its objectives and aims.

##### **Investment performance**

The Society strives to encourage and train new voluntary staff in order to secure its activities in the future. Each year a number of voluntary staff undergo external training funded by the Society.

##### **Internal and external factors**

The Trustees recognise that the success of all camps is dependent internally on its choice of venues and facilities, its efficiency in dealing with its members and the ability of its own voluntary staff. Camps are externally dependent on the goodwill of all those who provide facilities for the Society's use, and on conditions prevailing locally and nationally at the time of camps.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

##### **Principal funding sources**

The main source of income of the Society is from its activity of organising Folk Camps.

##### **Investment policy and objectives**

The Society's reserves are invested to maintain the highest possible return in order to provide a contingency against unplanned and unexpected costs.

##### **Reserves policy**

As a charitable company, the Society aims to cover its administrative costs and payments maintaining an even level of reserves.

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

The Trustees intend to continue the gradual expansion of the activities of The Society to further its objectives within the limit of its financial restraints.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, the memorandum and articles of association, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

Trustees are elected by the Governing Membership from their own number.

**FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

**Report of the Trustees**  
**for the Year Ended 31 August 2017**

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Organisational structure**

Folk Camps Society Limited is a Charitable Company and as such its Trustees are Directors of the Company. A Chairman and a Company Secretary are appointed by the Trustees from amongst their own number.

**Induction and training of new trustees**

New Trustees are supplied with the information produced by the Charity Commission relating to Trustee Responsibilities.

**Wider network**

Folk Camps Society Limited does not have a wider network of branches.

**Related parties**

Folk Camps Society Limited does not have any related parties.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

00931434 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

255901

**Registered office**

Llanover House  
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**Trustees**

|                 |                                |                        |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Mrs C A Kenyon  | Trustee                        | - resigned 19.11.2016  |
| P Self          | Trustee                        | - resigned 19.11.2016  |
| Ms E Cooper     | Trustee                        |                        |
| Ms L Tribus     | Trustee                        |                        |
| Mrs S A Hopwood | Trustee                        |                        |
| Mrs J S Jenkins | Trustee                        |                        |
| A D Mealings    | Trustee                        |                        |
| M De Frettes    | Trustee                        |                        |
| Ms V Coleman    | Community<br>Psychiatric Nurse | - appointed 19.11.2016 |
| Ms E Daniel     | Teacher                        | - appointed 19.11.2016 |
| B Pollard       | Teacher                        | - appointed 19.11.2016 |

**Company Secretary**

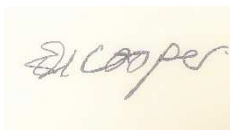
Ms L Tribus

**Independent examiner**

James de Frias  
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This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on ....24<sup>th</sup> October 2017..... and signed on its behalf by:



.....  
Elizabeth Cooper - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Folk Camps Society Limited**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2017 set out on pages five to nine.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with 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 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of Sections 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)

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.

Philip de Frias  
James de Frias  
Chartered Accountants  
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Date: .....20<sup>th</sup> October 2017.....

**FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**for the Year Ended 31 August 2017**

|                                    |   | <b>31.8.17</b>      | 31.8.16     |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------------|-------------|
|                                    |   | <b>Unrestricted</b> | Total funds |
|                                    |   | <b>funds</b>        |             |
|                                    |   | <b>£</b>            | £           |
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>  |   |                     |             |
| Donations and legacies             |   | <b>2,705</b>        | 1,262       |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |   |                     |             |
| Folk Camps                         |   | <b>137,807</b>      | 127,507     |
| Other trading activities           | 2 | <b>297</b>          | 197         |
| Investment income                  | 3 | <b>3,304</b>        | 4,438       |
| <b>Total</b>                       |   | <b>144,113</b>      | 133,404     |
| <br>                               |   |                     |             |
| <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>              |   |                     |             |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |   |                     |             |
| Folk Camps                         |   | <b>151,006</b>      | 128,453     |
| Other                              |   | <b>267</b>          | 7,561       |
| <b>Total</b>                       |   | <b>151,273</b>      | 136,014     |
| Net gains/(losses) on investments  |   | <b>5,158</b>        | 204         |
| <b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>    |   | <b>(2,002)</b>      | (2,406)     |
| <br>                               |   |                     |             |
| <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>     |   |                     |             |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b> |   | <b>240,441</b>      | 242,847     |
| <br>                               |   |                     |             |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b> |   | <b>238,439</b>      | 240,441     |

**CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

**FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

**Statement of Financial Position  
At 31 August 2017**

|  |       | 31.8.17<br><b>Unrestricted<br/>funds</b><br>£ | 31.8.16<br>Total funds<br>£ |
|--|-------|---|-----------------------------|
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>                              | Notes |   |                             |
| Tangible assets                                  | 6     | 17,168  | 19,076                      |
| Investments                                      | 7     | <u>84,853</u>                                 | <u>79,694</u>               |
|  |       | <b>102,021</b>                                | 98,770                      |
| <br><b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                        |       |   |                             |
| Stocks   | 8     | 750   | 697                         |
| Prepayments and accrued income                   |       | 1,203   | 1,564                       |
| Cash at bank and in hand                         |       | <u>162,572</u>                                | <u>163,688</u>              |
|  |       | <b>164,525</b>                                | 165,949                     |
| <br><b>CREDITORS</b>                             |       |   |                             |
| Amounts falling due within one year              | 9     | <u>(28,107)</u>                               | <u>(24,278)</u>             |
| <br><b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>                    |       | <b><u>136,418</u></b>                         | <u>141,671</u>              |
| <br><b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b> |       | <b>238,439</b>                                | 240,441                     |
| <br><b>NET ASSETS</b>                            |       | <b><u>238,439</u></b>                         | <u>240,441</u>              |
| <br><b>FUNDS</b>                                 | 10    |   |                             |
| Unrestricted funds                               |       | <u>238,439</u>                                | <u>240,441</u>              |
| <br><b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>                           |       | <b><u>238,439</u></b>                         | <u>240,441</u>              |

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2017.

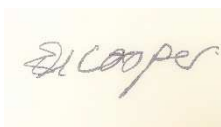
The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2017 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on .....24<sup>th</sup> October 2017..... and were signed on its behalf by:



.....  
Elizabeth Cooper -Trustee

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**FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**for the Year Ended 31 August 2017**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

**Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions**

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

- Plant and machinery - 10% on reducing balance

**Stocks**

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

**Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

|                               | <b>31.8.17</b>    | 31.8.16    |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
|                               | <b>£</b>          | £          |
| Associate merchant fees       | <b>222</b>        | 191        |
| Gross sales of books and CD's | <b>75</b>         | 6          |
|                               | <b><u>297</u></b> | <u>197</u> |

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

|                             | <b>31.8.17</b>      | 31.8.16      |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
|                             | <b>£</b>            | £            |
| Deposit account interest    | <b>704</b>          | 918          |
| Investment Account Interest | <b>2,600</b>        | 3,520        |
|                             | <b><u>3,304</u></b> | <u>4,438</u> |

**4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

**FOLK CAMPS SOCIETY LIMITED**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 August 2017**

**4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) - continued**

Net income / (expenditure) is stated after charging / (crediting):

|                             |              |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|                             | 31.8.17      | 31.8.16      |
|                             | £            | £            |
| Depreciation - owned assets | <u>1,908</u> | <u>2,119</u> |

**5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 August 2017 nor for the year ended 31 August 2016.

**Trustees' expenses**

It is the policy of the charity to reimburse in full any expenses properly incurred by its trustees in connection with its charitable activities. During the year, the total amount reimbursed to the trustees who served during the year in respect of travel costs was £2,498 (2016: £3,053).

**6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

|  | <b>Plant and<br/>machinery<br/>£</b> |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| <b>COST</b>                            |                                      |
| At 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 | <u>33,949</u>                        |
| <b>DEPRECIATION</b>                    |                                      |
| At 1 September 2016                    | 14,873                               |
| Charge for year                        | <u>1,908</u>                         |
| At 31 August 2017                      | <u>16,781</u>                        |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>                  |                                      |
| At 31 August 2017                      | <u>17,168</u>                        |
| At 31 August 2016                      | <u>19,076</u>                        |

**7. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS**

|                       | <b>Listed<br/>investments<br/>£</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>MARKET VALUE</b>   |                                     |
| At 1 September 2016   | 79,694                              |
| Revaluations          | <u>5,159</u>                        |
| At 31 August 2017     | <u>84,853</u>                       |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b> |                                     |
| At 31 August 2017     | <u>84,853</u>                       |
| At 31 August 2016     | <u>79,694</u>                       |

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

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**8. STOCKS**

|                          |                |            |
|--------------------------|----------------|------------|
|                          | <b>31.8.17</b> | 31.8.16    |
|                          | £              | £          |
| Books and T-Shirts stock | <u>750</u>     | <u>697</u> |

**9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                                |                      |                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                                | <b>31.8.17</b>       | 31.8.16              |
|                                | £                    | £                    |
| Trade creditors                | -                    | (1)                  |
| Camp deposits rec'd in advance | 1,635                | 740                  |
| Credits available for members  | 21,567               | 18,863               |
| Accrued expenses               | <u>4,905</u>         | <u>4,676</u>         |
|                                | <u><b>28,107</b></u> | <u><b>24,278</b></u> |

**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

|                           | At 1.9.16<br>£        | Net<br>movement in<br>funds<br>£ | At 31.8.17<br>£       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                       |                                  |                       |
| Development Fund          | 25,163                | -                                | 25,163                |
| Accumulated Fund          | <u>215,278</u>        | <u>(2,002)</u>                   | <u>213,276</u>        |
|                           | <u>240,441</u>        | <u>(2,002)</u>                   | <u>238,439</u>        |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>        | <u><b>240,441</b></u> | <u><b>(2,002)</b></u>            | <u><b>238,439</b></u> |

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

|                           | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Gains and<br>losses<br>£ | Movement in<br>funds<br>£ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                            |                            |                          |                           |
| Accumulated Fund          | 144,113                    | (151,273)                  | 5,158                    | (2,002)                   |
|                           | <u>144,113</u>             | <u>(151,273)</u>           | <u>5,158</u>             | <u>(2,002)</u>            |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>        | <u><b>144,113</b></u>      | <u><b>(151,273)</b></u>    | <u><b>5,158</b></u>      | <u><b>(2,002)</b></u>     |

**11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 August 2017.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities**  
**for the Year Ended 31 August 2017**

|                                   | 31.8.17<br>£          | 31.8.16<br>£          |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>      |                       |                       |
| <b>Donations and legacies</b>     |                       |                       |
| Gifts                             | -                     | 2                     |
| Donations                         | 2,620                 | 1,115                 |
| Subscriptions                     | <u>85</u>             | <u>145</u>            |
|                                   | <b>2,705</b>          | 1,262                 |
| <b>Other trading activities</b>   |                       |                       |
| Associate merchant fees           | 222                   | 191                   |
| Gross sales of books and CD's     | <u>75</u>             | <u>6</u>              |
|                                   | <b>297</b>            | 197                   |
| <b>Investment income</b>          |                       |                       |
| Deposit account interest          | 704                   | 918                   |
| Investment Account Interest       | <u>2,600</u>          | <u>3,520</u>          |
|                                   | <b>3,304</b>          | 4,438                 |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>      |                       |                       |
| Camps in United Kingdom           | <u>137,807</u>        | <u>127,507</u>        |
| <b>Total incoming resources</b>   | <b>144,113</b>        | 133,404               |
| <b>EXPENDITURE</b>                |                       |                       |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>      |                       |                       |
| Camp expenses                     | 94,730                | 81,153                |
| Insurance                         | -                     | 1,022                 |
| Equipment storage and maintenance | 259                   | 387                   |
| Printing, postage and stationery  | 1,598                 | 2,701                 |
| Advertising and publicity         | 1,121                 | 183                   |
| <b>Administration costs</b>       |                       |                       |
| Management fees                   | 38,416                | 38,172                |
|                                   | <u>136,124</u>        | <u>123,618</u>        |
| <b>Support costs</b>              |                       |                       |
| <b>Management</b>                 |                       |                       |
| Courses and training costs        | 1,975                 | -                     |
| Travel and meetings               | <u>9,464</u>          | <u>8,370</u>          |
|                                   | <b>11,439</b>         | 8,370                 |
| <b>Finance</b>                    |                       |                       |
| Bank interest                     | 2                     | 46                    |
| <b>Other</b>                      |                       |                       |
| Plant and machinery               | 1,908                 | 2,120                 |
| <b>Governance costs</b>           |                       |                       |
| Accountancy and legal fees        | <u>1,800</u>          | <u>1,860</u>          |
| <b>Total resources expended</b>   | <b>151,273</b>        | 136,014               |
| <b>Net expenditure</b>            | <u><u>(7,160)</u></u> | <u><u>(2,610)</u></u> |



## **ELECTION TO COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT    18 November 2017**

2 nominations for 2 vacancies – NO ELECTION REQUIRED

### **THE CANDIDATES**

#### **Anthony Keen**

Proposed by Lou Tribus

Seconded by Barry Pollard



Hi, I'm Anthony, I've been coming to Folk Camp for about four or five years now, so I'm relatively new, and if you don't know me – hello!

I usually call myself a 'Folk Camp Stray' because I don't really have any family connections with anyone in the folk camp family – I'm new, but in the last few years, the people who work at and attend Folk Camp have made me feel very welcome, and for that I'm extremely grateful.

Like I said, I'm new. I don't come from a folk background, I come from an acting, singing and writing one. I like to think that I would bring a somewhat younger, slightly more modern perspective to the organisation on the whole. Folk tradition and community are one of the best things about Folk Camps – but if we want the community to really thrive and keep on going through the years, we need to modernise. There are probably many more people out there just like me, who would love folk camp but have no idea what it is! I'd love to get more of those people involved and grow this group further. Tradition is continued by the people who hold it – one way of doing that is passing that tradition on to a new group of people who can start upholding it.

Ultimately though, I'm putting myself forward for FCC mainly because I've always done my best to contribute as much as I can to this community. Whether that simply be joining in, making a fool of myself, contributing music, or introducing new people and getting them involved, I try my utmost. This year I'm actually leading one of the camps, and so Council seemed like the next step to continue that trend.

Thank you.

Best wishes, and see you at the AGM

**Chris White**

Proposed by Lou Tribus

Seconded by Sarah

Richardson



My family and I have been with Folk Camp for over 10 years now. It was a little irregular to begin with but since the children have been born we have been annual campers. It is now our main holiday of choice for the summertime. Over this time, I have become more involved with the Society by becoming one of the caterers. I have found that being in and around the kitchen was a great way to get to know people and have made some great friends this way.

In the real world I have been involved with food and drink for most of my career, I have managed pubs, I have managed 1000-seater dinner dances and, I have worked inside football stadia feeding over 30,000 people on match days and some pop concerts. Catering on Folk Camp is my idea of fun!!

As I have got to know the people who run the organisation better (and they have got to know me) It has come to no surprise that there is an awful lot of work and organisation that happens to make the society run as smoothly as it does. I became aware of the possibility of joining the Council during the summer season and the idea stuck with me. I think it would be a great privilege if I am able to offer my services in maintaining and hopefully improving the fantastic events and camps that have now become such an integral part of our lives.

See you at the AGM

Chris

# PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY

11:30 am

Photo-swap & Coffee

Meet your folk camping friends over coffee, exchange photographs and happy memories and plan your next year's camping season.

Music workshop with **Holly Sheldrake (Clamp)**

Tea, coffee and snacks available in the hall.

*There are other food outlets available in Toddington.*

2.30 pm **Annual General Meeting**

All are welcome to attend the AGM of Folk Camps Society Ltd and may speak but only governing members may vote. Review the report and accounts, meet the new Council members and make your voice heard during the informal discussion after official business is concluded.

5.00 pm Song workshop (host TBC)

6.00 pm Hot food from Jenny's Pantry in the hall.

7.30 - 11.00 pm **Reunion Ceilidh**

Dance the night away with the music of Touchstone  
The Folk Campers in the band line-up this evening will include Mark Orchin, Steve Porritt, Chris Jewell and Kimberley Burden.

MC: **Liz Cooper,**  
**calling by Folk Campers**

There is no bar, so if you wish to drink alcohol please bring your own.

Ceilidh tickets £5  
(accompanied under 16s free and don't need a ticket).