# Taxpayers Against Poverty Limited Report and Accounts 30 September 2015



### **Taxpayers Against Poverty**

No British citizen without an affordable home and an adequate income in work or unemployment

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### **Taxpayers Against Poverty Limited Company Information**

#### **Directors**

Revd P R Nicolson T J Nichols F Harrison

#### Secretary

F J McDowell

#### **Bankers**

HSBC Bank plc 448-454 Tottenham High Road London N17 9JN

#### Registered office

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#### Registered number

08672692

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Directors' Report

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 30 September 2015.

#### **Principal activities**

The company's principal activity during the period was that of facilitating the promotion of a taxpayers' alliance to promote social and economic justice.

#### Founder's report

Taxpayers Against Poverty (TAP) was founded by a letter published by The Guardian on the 16th February 2012; 150 signed up. We now have 360 members, 543 followers on Twitter and 12,312 likes on Facebook, all UK wide, for example London 1,955, Glasgow 501, Manchester 458, Liverpool 307, Edinburgh 252, Birmingham 246, Cardiff 130, Northern Ireland 122.

TAP is not a charity but has registered as a not for profit company so we are publicly accountable for our income and expenditure.

We registered the company on September 2013. We have not registered as a charitable trust so our statements and publicity about the facts of poverty in the UK cannot be inhibited by the Charity Commission. The objects of the company include Article 25 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

- (1) Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services, and the right to security in the event of unemployment, sickness, disability, widowhood, old age or other lack of livelihood in circumstances beyond his control.
- (2) Motherhood and childhood are entitled to special care and assistance. All children, whether born in or out of wedlock, shall enjoy the same social protection.

Discussions about subscriptions took place at members' foundation meetings in Manchester and London in 2013 and it was decided that in principle, membership should be free to ensure that no one is excluded on economic grounds, while donations are always welcome; members can sign up and donate if they wish at http://www.taxpayersagainstpoverty.org.uk/join us/.

The aim, since our foundation, has been to use social media, letters to the national press, the courts in relevant cases and parliamentary campaigning to ensure that name and purposes of TAP enters the political scene with and for the poorest citizens of the UK, without allegiance to any political party. We will be entirely funded by donations from supporters, taking nothing from any government.

The plan from the 7th May 2015 is to pick up from where the Bills announced in the Queen's Speech start, and lobby whatever political parties are in power for amendments in favour of the poorest individuals and families. The routine we use is to inform all parties about the amendments we want and then work to get them tabled and debated by MPs and Peers. The routine used by Rev Paul Nicolson during the 2012 welfare reforms is described by him on the Trust for London website. Social media and emails will be used to keep supporters and members informed.

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**Directors' Report** 

We do not need any convincing that social media is now at the heart of all campaigning so we have obtained a quote from an expert to install state of the art programs to keep membership records, email lists and to use the website, Twitter and Facebook to campaign with and for citizens receiving the lowest incomes in work or unemployment. I am content to live on my pension with TAP paying expenses.

Therefore our budget for the next twelve months reads as follows:

	£ pa
Re-building the website	4,640
Campaign manager	20,000
Publicity	5,000
Contingency	360
Office costs: Telephone and internet Postage and stationery Travelling	1,000 500 300
Total	31,800

Rev Paul Nicolson, 27 June 2016

#### **Directors**

The following persons served as directors during the year:

Revd P R Nicolson

T J Nichols

F Harrison Appointed 30 November 2015

#### **Small company provisions**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

This report was approved by the board on 27 June 2016 and signed on its behalf.

Revd P R Nicolson Director

# Taxpayers Against Poverty Limited Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30 September 2015

	Notes	2015 £	2014 £
Income		3,997	9,347
Administrative expenses		(3,642)	(6,222)
Operating income		355	3,125
Interest receivable		-	1
Income on ordinary activities before taxation		355	3,126
Tax on income on ordinary activities		-	-
Net income for the financial year		355	3,126

### Taxpayers Against Poverty Limited Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2015

	Notes		2015 £		2014 £
Current assets Cash at bank and in hand		4,251	~	4,342	~
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2	(770)		(1,216)	
Net current assets			3,481		3,126
Net assets			3,481	- -	3,126
Capital and reserves Income and expenditure account	3		3,481		3,126
Shareholders' funds			3,481	- -	3,126

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Revd P R Nicolson Director Approved by the board on 27 June 2016.

#### Taxpayers Against Poverty Limited Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 30 September 2015

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

#### Income

Income represents the value of donations received from supporters during the year.

2	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2015 £	2014 £
	Other creditors	770	1,216
3	Income and expenditure account	2015 £	
	At 1 October 2014 Net income for the year	3,126 355	
	At 30 September 2015	3,481	
4	Related party transactions	2015 £	2014 £
	Revd P R Nicolson  Member and director		
	Expenses owed Amount due to Revd P R Nicolson	770	1,216

#### 5 Ultimate controlling party

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The company is therefore controlled by its membership as a whole, with no one individual having a controlling interest.

The company currently has three guarantee members, each of whom has agreed to contribute £1 in the event of winding up.

# Taxpayers Against Poverty Limited Detailed income and expenditure account for the year ended 30 September 2015

	2015 £	2014 £
Income	3,997	9,347
Administrative expenses	(3,642)	(6,222)
Operating income	355	3,125
Interest receivable	-	1
Income before tax	355	3,126

# Taxpayers Against Poverty Limited Detailed income and expenditure account for the year ended 30 September 2015

	2015	2014
	£	£
Income		
Donations received	3,997	9,347
Administrative expenses		
Employee costs:		
Travel and subsistence	186	-
	186	-
Premises costs:		
Meeting costs	354	625
	354	625
General administrative expenses:		
Telephone and internet	650	526
Postage and stationery	238	421
Subscriptions	75	-
Bank charges	31	8
IT costs	192	50
Donations paid	250	100
Sundry expenses	60	13
	1,496	1,118
Legal and professional costs:		
Publicity (Facebook, Twitter, posters etc)	1,606	4,299
Other legal and professional	<u> </u>	180
	1,606	4,479
	3,642	6,222