

Company registration number 09132366 (England and Wales)

**COMMONWEALTH ENTERPRISE & INVESTMENT COUNCIL**

**UK LIMITED BY GUARANTEE**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022**

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**COMMONWEALTH ENTERPRISE & INVESTMENT COUNCIL  
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BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31 JULY 2022**

	Notes	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	4		12,737		1,953
Investments	5		856,566		867,240
			<u>869,303</u>		<u>869,193</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	6	146,593		44,855	
Cash at bank and in hand		766,350		476,879	
			<u>912,943</u>		<u>521,734</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	(657,448)		(508,741)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>255,495</u>		<u>12,993</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>1,124,798</u>		<u>882,186</u>
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>			(15,983)		(16,216)
<b>Net assets</b>			<u><u>1,108,815</u></u>		<u><u>865,970</u></u>
<b>Reserves</b>					
Non-distributable profits reserve	10	64,547		112,240	
Income and expenditure account		1,044,268		753,730	
<b>Total reserves</b>			<u><u>1,108,815</u></u>		<u><u>865,970</u></u>

The directors of the company have elected not to include a copy of the income and expenditure account within the financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 1 December 2022 and are signed on its behalf by:

Lord Marland of Odstock  
**Director**

Mrs R P Glazebrook  
**Director**

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**1 Accounting policies**

**Company information**

Commonwealth Enterprise & Investment Council is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is CWEIC, First Floor, 41-44 Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AD.

**1.1 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 Companies Act 2006 as applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. 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 on a going concern basis and are presented 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 except that investment assets are carried at market value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

**1.2 Turnover**

Turnover is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, and is shown net of VAT and other sales related taxes. The fair value of consideration takes into account trade discounts, settlement discounts and volume rebates.

When cash inflows are deferred and represent a financing arrangement, the fair value of the consideration is the present value of the future receipts. The difference between the fair value of the consideration and the nominal amount received is recognised as interest income.

Revenue from contracts for the provision of professional services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion when the stage of completion, costs incurred and costs to complete can be estimated reliably. The stage of completion is calculated by comparing costs incurred, mainly in relation to contractual hourly staff rates and materials, as a proportion of total costs. Where the outcome cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent of the expenses recognised that it is probable will be recovered.

**1.3 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:

Office equipment	33% straight line
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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.

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**1 Accounting policies (Continued)**

**1.4 Fixed asset investments**

Investments are included at closing market value at the balance sheet date. Any fair value gains arising are not realised profits and therefore are transferred to a separately designated non-distributable profits reserve. Investment income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

**1.5 Impairment of fixed assets**

At each reporting period end date, the company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Recognised impairment losses are reversed if, and only if, the reasons for the impairment loss have ceased to apply. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

**1.6 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

**1.7 Financial instruments**

The company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the company's balance sheet when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

**Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and 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 transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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**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 creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

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

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

**1.8 Taxation**

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

***Current tax***

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the profit and loss account because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes 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 reporting end date.

***Deferred tax***

Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all timing differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the timing difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the tax profit nor the accounting profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting end date 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 is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the profit and loss account, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when the company has a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority.

**1.9 Employee benefits**

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

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**1 Accounting policies (Continued)**

**1.10 Retirement benefits**

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

**1.11 Leases**

Rentals payable under operating leases, including any lease incentives received, are charged to profit or loss on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease except where another more systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leases asset are consumed.

**1.12 Foreign exchange**

Transactions in currencies other than pounds sterling are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At each reporting end date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the reporting end date. Gains and losses arising on translation in the period are included in profit or loss.

**2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

In the application of the company's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

**3 Employees**

The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Number</b>
Total	8	12
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CWEIC also operates Hub Offices with Country Directors across each region of the Commonwealth.

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<b>4</b>	<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>	<b>Plant and machinery etc</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>Cost</b>		
	At 1 August 2021	18,904	
	Additions	15,849	
	Disposals	(6,421)	
	At 31 July 2022	28,332	
	<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>		
	At 1 August 2021	16,951	
	Depreciation charged in the year	4,938	
	Eliminated in respect of disposals	(6,294)	
	At 31 July 2022	15,595	
	<b>Carrying amount</b>		
	At 31 July 2022	12,737	
	At 31 July 2021	1,953	
<b>5</b>	<b>Fixed asset investments</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	Other investments other than loans	856,566	867,240
	<b>Fixed asset investments revalued</b>		
	The listed investments, Lindsell Train Global Funds plc, have been revalued at market value as provided on a statement from the investment fund itself. The investment is valued at £856,566 (2021: £867,240) but the comparable historical cost of this investment is £805,000 (2021: £755,000).		
	<b>Movements in fixed asset investments</b>		<b>Investments</b>
			<b>£</b>
	<b>Cost or valuation</b>		
	At 1 August 2021		867,240
	Additions		50,000
	Valuation changes		(60,674)
	At 31 July 2022		856,566
	<b>Carrying amount</b>		
	At 31 July 2022		856,566
	At 31 July 2021		867,240

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<b>6 Debtors</b>		
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	£	£
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Membership income due	87,772	40,415
Other debtors	58,821	4,440
	<u>146,593</u>	<u>44,855</u>

**7 Cash at bank and in hand**

The cash at bank and in hand as at 31 July 2022 is made up as follows:

Current account: £342,562 (2021: £216,225)  
Deposit accounts via Flagstone: £411,253 (2021: £260,207)  
Petty cash: £535 (2021: £456)

<b>8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>		
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	£	£
Trade creditors	7,619	23,501
Corporation tax	31,586	47,451
Other taxation and social security	16,427	8,463
Deferred income and accruals	601,816	429,326
	<u>657,448</u>	<u>508,741</u>

**9 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.

**10 Non-distributable profits reserve**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	£	£
At the beginning of the year	112,240	63,406
Non distributable profits in the year	(47,693)	48,834
	<u>64,547</u>	<u>112,240</u>

This reserve is used to record gains in the fair value of investments and losses to the extent that such a loss relates to a previous gain on the same asset. It is also used to record any corresponding deferred tax (charge) / credit on fair value changes in investments.

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**11 Audit report information**

As the income statement has been omitted from the filing copy of the financial statements, the following information in relation to the audit report on the statutory financial statements is provided in accordance with s444(5B) of the Companies Act 2006:

The auditor's report was unqualified.

Senior Statutory Auditor: Simon Ellingham BA FCA DChA  
Statutory Auditor: Fawcetts LLP

**12 Operating lease commitments**

**Lessee**

An annual lease for 16 Old Queen Street was formally signed in March 2022.

At the reporting end date the company had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	33,933	18,333
	<u>33,933</u>	<u>18,333</u>

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