

Moorsbus Community Interest Company

Incorporated: 16 May 2014

Company Number: 9044336

Registered Office: 2 Minster Court, Hugden Way, Norton, Malton, North Yorkshire YO17 9NJ

Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 May 2015

Annual report

1. The objects of the Company are to carry on activities which benefit the community and in particular (without limitation) to facilitate the provision, operation and promotion of public passenger transport services to and within the North York Moors and its surrounding area.
2. Through its work and partnerships, the Directors have agreed that the provision of rural public transport offers significant benefit for the social, economic and environmental well-being of the community. The CIC is committed to providing services for both local people (who require services for shopping, social and leisure activities) and for visitors (who inject substantial funding into the local economy) and who also gain health and social benefits.
3. During the first year of the CIC, the Directors have worked to identify opportunities to provide a successor service to the National Park Authority's Moorsbus operations which ceased running in 2013. This included meetings with bus operators, passengers and other groups to find ways of operating services in the future.
4. In designing the services for the 2015 season there has inevitably had to be compromise. Foremost has been the limited finances available. Despite earning revenue from fares, the long journeys and limited carrying capacity mean that it is not possible for the services to be commercially viable. Also, the reimbursement rates for passengers who use the English National Concessionary Fare Scheme permit means that full cost of the service is not recoverable. There are other external factors which we have had to take into consideration. These include: legal restrictions on drivers' hours; the availability of different sizes of vehicles, and their suitability for routes which include steep hills, narrow roads and low bridges.
5. In working out timetables we have tried to ensure that key connections are made between vehicles and – where possible – connecting services. In trying to match the needs of potential users, we have designed two main services which take in a number of significant towns in Teesside, County Durham and North Yorkshire. Services from the south are supplied by commercial operators from Hull and York. CIC services will commence in July 2015. In devising these timetables, we acknowledge that not all communities can be served, that departure times and journey length may not be ideal, but we will analyse performance, and passenger feedback at the end of the season, with a view to making improvements in 2016.
6. We also put in place marketing and publicity strategies to support the service. None of these activities involved financial transactions, although costs will be incurred in 2015-16, and subsequently external funds have been agreed.
7. For the 2014 season a temporary arrangement was made between the Friends of Moorsbus and the Dales and Bowland Community Interest Company, to enable a one-bus operation from Darlington to the North York Moors to operate successfully. This meant that the CIC could take an objective view of service provision, without being involved in day-to-day fund-raising or

contracts. We would like to thank both those organisations for enabling a Moorbus service to operate in 2014.

8. For 2015 we will maintain a close working relationship with Friends of Moorsbus.

Public benefit

9. The CIC works for the benefit of the community and regularly consults with individuals and groups so as to establish their needs and how the company can best meet them within its legal framework and resources.

Volunteers

10. The work of the CIC is undertaken by volunteers (including the Directors), none of whom receive any remuneration from the CIC. The role of volunteers and supporters is crucial to the success of the CIC and the development of its work and their activities are warmly applauded.

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- William Stephen Breakell
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There were nine meetings of the CIC held during the year.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st May 2015

No financial activities having been recorded during the year in question. There were no incoming resources, resources expended, net funds, fixed assets, current assets, debtors or creditors since the incorporation of the Company.

Balance Sheet as at 31st May 2015

	£	£
Fixed assets		0.00
Current assets		0.00
Stocks		0.00
Debtors		0.00
Cash at bank / in hand		0.00
Creditors		0.00
Net assets		0.00
<u>Net total funds</u>		<u>0.00</u>

For the year ending 31st May 2015, 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 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.

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Background

Governing documents: Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated 16 May 2014.

Status of organisation: The CIC is independent of any other organisation and has no subsidiaries or branches.

Directors:

- William Stephen Breakell
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The three Directors are all volunteers and receive no remuneration from the CIC.

Bankers: Unity Trust Bank plc, Nine Brindleyplace, Birmingham B1 2HB

Standard Industrial Classification: 49390 (Other passenger land transport)

Note: The activities of the company incurred no financial transactions in the first year since incorporation as this was a period of consultation and planning for the operational year 2015-16 when income and expenditure will occur.

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