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Foundation for Credit Counselling OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

TRUSTEES

Lord Stevenson (Chairman)

J J Burton

D J Phelan

G J Mulcahy

S Taverne

M Fairey

D Coates

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

G Bell

SECRETARY

M J Lynch

REGISTERED OFFICE

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AUDITOR

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BANKERS

Barclays Bank PO Box 190 2nd Floor 1 Park Row Leeds LS1 5WU

SOLICITORS

Wrigleys Solicitors LLP 19 Cookridge Street Leeds LS2 3AG

Foundation for Credit Counselling CHAIRMANS' STATEMENT

Around 1,000 people per day contacted the charity through its free helpline during the year and CCCS actively managed 120,000 debt management plans, repaying £312m to lenders. Clients on repayment plans as well as those recommended to other solutions require high levels of support, particularly in these testing times as households struggle with rising costs at a time of stagnating incomes. In 2011, our client support teams dealt with over a million client contacts by phone and by post. Relations with creditors remain mutually supportive. Last year just over half of all referrals to our service came from creditors.

We are continuing to work to build a network of strategic partners with like-minded organisations, similar to the one we developed last year with Citizens Advice and which is still on going

During the last year, the board developed a strategic plan aimed at ensuring our service is improved and developed for current and future needs. As part of that plan, we are introducing a new brand and will be supporting that and all our activities with a sustained publicity campaign.

The Money Advice Service (which is funded by the FSA) has been tasked with putting the provision of debt advice on a sustainable footing. We welcome that, provided it does not interfere with our existing model, which we strongly believe delivers a good service.

All our experience at the heart of this sector shows that there is a real and pressing need to make a step change in the ability of the system to reach the increasing number of people that need debt advice and support. We know that far too many people are unaware of the free services that are available, that they have difficulty in distinguishing them from those offered by commercial fee-chargers; and we also know that too many people put off contacting the organisations that could help them for far too long – in many cases for more than a year

We are very grateful to our trustees and excellent management and staff for the contribution they make to ensure that we continue reach all those who need our help

Lord Stevenson
Date 10 July 2012

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

year ended 31 December 2011

The Trustees, who are the Council of Management, present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2011.

These consolidated accounts are for Foundation for Credit Counselling (FCC), its trading subsidiaries, Consumer Credit Counselling Service Voluntary Arrangements Limited (CCCS VA Ltd) and Consumer Credit Counselling Service Equity Release Limited (CCCS ER Ltd) and Consumer Credit Counselling Service (Scotland), a charity under common control

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION

NAME AND REGISTRATION

Foundation for Credit Counselling is a company limited by guarantee (number 2757055) and a registered charity (number 1016630). The charity is more widely known as the Consumer Credit Counselling Service.

REGISTERED AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Wade House, Merrion Centre, Leeds, LS2 8NG

COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT AND THEIR INTERESTS

The following members of the Council of Management have held office since 1 January 2011

Lord Stevenson

J J Burton

D J Phelan

G J Mulcahy

S Taverne

D Coates

M Fairev

S Lewis (appointed 10 July 2012)

These individuals constitute Directors of the company for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006 and are the charity's trustees

G Mulcahy and S Taverne will retire at the next annual general meeting and offer themselves for reelection S Lewis was appointed on 10 July 2012 and will also retire at the next annual general meeting S Lewis also offers herself for re-election

SENIOR STAFF

G Bell - Chief Executive Officer S Nicholson - Chief Financial Officer F Megaw - Chief Operating Officer D Corinaldi - Director of External Affairs

PRINCIPAL ADVISORS

Auditor - Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP
Solicitors - Wrigleys Solicitors LLP Leeds

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

year ended 31 December 2011

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

CONSTITUTION

The governing document of the Foundation for Credit Counselling is its Memorandum and Articles of Association Under those Articles, the members of the Board of Trustees are empowered at any time to appoint any person to be a member of the Board, but any member so appointed shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting, and shall then be eligible for re-election

TRUSTEE SELECTION, RECRUITMENT AND INDUCTION

SELECTION AND RECRUITMENT

The following is an extract from the procedures applicable to the recruiting of all new trustees, however contacted, but does not form part of the process of re-election of a retiring trustee. The re-election process is defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

- A recommending trustee considers candidates by assessing personal profiles against the skills, experience and attributes above and considering the disqualification factors. The trustee should then agree with the chairman to proceed with the candidature procedure.
- With the chairman's agreement, the recommending trustee must notify all other trustees at, or between, FCC meetings
- The candidate(s) will be invited to attend one or more FCC board meetings as an observer to allow knowledge to be gained on both sides
- At the following or subsequent FCC board meeting (as appropriate), the trustees will consider the candidate(s) against the requirements of the charity and elect as appropriate
- 5 The chairman will convey the decision of the board of trustees to the candidate(s)
- The candidate will be requested to sign the Declaration of Confirmation to act as a trustee
- 7 The company secretary will register the newly elected person as a trustee of the charity

INDUCTION

The induction of a new trustee will be facilitated by the Head of Training and Development utilising the FCC trustee induction programme, which may be tailored to create an induction programme to suit the particular needs of the new trustee

The trustee will receive a comprehensive "induction pack" comprising a booklet providing reference information covering the background of the charity, its structure and status, its method of operation, its finances and the environment in which it operates

Governance information is added by including the Charity Commission's booklets, "The hallmarks of an effective charity" and "The effective trustee" All these are enclosed within the NCVO's "The good trustee guide"

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This material will prepare the trustee for the active part of the induction where meetings are arranged with the chairman, a trustee "mentor", the charity's company secretary and its executive to discuss the charity and its governance, introducing further key documents about the charity and its future. During this time there will also be opportunities for the trustee to visit the various operations.

The "induction pack" provides a personal induction checklist for the trustee and the induction will be at the convenience of the trustee

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

The charity has a dedicated senior management and executive team responsible for the day to day running of the organisation ensuring the charity's objectives are achieved

Although the trustees are readily available, full board meetings are held four times a year in order to discuss performance, policy and strategic planning. In addition Audit Committee meetings are held twice a year

The charity's executives and relevant senior management are in attendance at these meetings

PARTNERS

FCC works closely with many partners to achieve its objectives of delivering credit counselling and education

- The Limavady Community Development Initiative is an independent charity which receives a number of callers from the CCCS help line to give them counselling. All Northern Ireland callers are directed to the Limavady CDI
- FCC supports another charity, Credit Action, who offer a range of resources, tools and training to help individuals handle their money effectively in order to prevent them from getting into financial difficulty
- FCC also provides a debt repayment facility to the charity National Debtline
- A pilot scheme with the Citizens Advice Bureau is ongoing and has enabled more beneficiaries to reach our service as well as providing further funding to both charities
- Details of other partnerships may be obtained on the charity's web site www.cccs.co.uk.

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RISK REVIEW

Using Charity Commission guidelines the trustees have undertaken a major review of the risks to which the charity is exposed. As part of the process the trustees have implemented a continuous risk management strategy which comprises.

- a detailed risk register and a continual review process
- the establishment of systems, policies and procedures designed to minimise those risks identified
- the implementation of policies and procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should any of the risks materialise

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

FCC is dedicated to providing confidential and free consumer debt counselling and money management assistance to financially distressed families and individuals in the UK

The charitable objectives as per the Memorandum and Articles of Association are -

- the provision of advice to assist such persons to re-schedule and re-finance their borrowings,
- the provision of financial education to enable such persons to manage their finances more effectively,
- the establishment and support of counselling services to which such persons may resort for advice on debt matters generally.
- the establishment of an insolvency practice to which such persons may resort as an alternative solution to debt problems, and
- the establishment or support of such other services or products for the public benefit to assist in the relief of poverty

When reviewing the charity's aims and objectives the trustees have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and the supplementary guidance for charities whose aims include preventing or relieving poverty. Using this guidance the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set

The key target for the year was to continue the controlled growth of recent years without diminishing the quality of service to current or new beneficiaries. Coupled with this was a wish to remain at the forefront of free debt advice in the United Kingdom and to extend current services to as many financially distressed families and individuals as possible

Meeting the target means the debt problems of many thousands of beneficiaries will be under control benefiting borrowers, lenders and society in general

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PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The charity aims to achieve its objectives, in collaboration with its partners, through its principal activities which are the following -

- Free help lines providing advice, guidance and helpful material for people in difficulty (clients) When more than general advice is needed the client is either transferred immediately to a debt counsellor or an appointment is made at a more convenient date and time for the client. These appointments are usually by telephone at our expense or may be face to face in one of the counselling centres around the United Kingdom. For those with internet access online counselling is available through CCCS Debt Remedy.
- In addition to advice there is the possibility of assistance with repayments through a Debt Management Plan FCC acts on behalf of its beneficiaries in negotiating reduced payments to creditors and distributes payments on their behalf. The majority of funding is on a contribution basis from the creditors termed fair share contribution. It is called a fair share contribution as creditors share with the charity, through a monthly donation, the benefit they gain from its help to its beneficiaries.
- The principal activity of the charity's trading subsidiary, CCCS VA Ltd, is that of arranging and supervising Individual Voluntary Arrangements
- The principal activity of the charity's trading subsidiary, CCCS ER Ltd, is that of equity release advice and the arranging of equity release plans
- CCCS Scotland has the same principal activities as FCC above

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

The charity's aims for 2011 were to continue providing core services to as many individuals and families as possible, whilst introducing further services to better meet the new and emerging needs of its beneficiaries. With reference to the 2010 Annual Report and Accounts the trustees believed the demand for services would remain high and that the charity was able to meet this demand without adversely affecting quality. Although demand for debt advice in 2011 was very substantial there was a decrease in calls to the Helpline compared to the previous year. However this was in tandem with an increase in warm transfers (a Helpline caller sent straight to Counselling) and an increase in online counselling activity.

In total the charity was contacted by over 369,000 people seeking to resolve their debt problems – or around 1,000 people a day

The following points indicate the achievements for the year and demonstrate how activities benefited the public. The services provided relate to the charity's stated purposes and objectives.

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SERVICES PROVIDED

- The charity handled 1.2 million (2010–1.2 million) calls including over 229,000 (2010–287,000) Helpline calls,
- The charity also handled over 36,000 (2010–31,000) calls to its specialist helplines dealing with welfare benefits, mortgage counselling, bankruptcy and debt relief orders,
- Counsellors advised over 108,000 (2010 120,000) people through an in depth counselling session,
- Over 80,000 (2010 65,000) people were counselled via CCCS Debt Remedy the charity's online counselling facility,
- Almost 28,000 (2010 28,000) new Debt Management Plans (DMPs) were created,
- CCCS VA Ltd created 922 (2010 829) new Individual Voluntary Arrangements (IVAs) with an average debt relief of 71% (2010 67%) per client, and
- In the first 18 months of operation CCCS ER Ltd assisted in over 120 applications releasing £5 3 million of equity release funding

EFFICIENCY, EFFECTIVENESS AND QUALITY

Telephone counselling

Nearly 17% (2010 9%) of Helpline callers were "warm transferred" straight to Counselling

Client aftercare

Client aftercare continued to deal with a high volume of calls, 829,346 (2010 818,679), demonstrating the charity's commitment to providing ongoing care for clients on Debt Management Plans (DMP's) In total the Correspondence, Customer Service and Client Support teams dealt with 1 1 million contacts by letter and phone

Operational departments

All operational departments operate ongoing quality standards reviews to ensure services to beneficiaries are consistent, measured and of a high standard A monthly management report conveys the latest information to senior management

ICM qualifications

The charity's training team continue to work in partnership with the Institute of Credit Management in promoting the Diploma in Money and Debt Advice (DMDA) both internally and nationally. In March 2012 34 employees will receive the diploma and there are 29 new entrants from across the charity. The DMDA has full accreditation from Ofqual thus enhancing the merits of debt advice as a recognised profession.

CCCS Voluntary Arrangements Ltd

In October Jackie Westerman, the CCCS VA Insolvency Practitioner, was named joint winner of the Insolvency Practitioner of the year award 2011 in the Personal category The award was presented at the Insolvency and Rescue awards held at the Lancaster Hotel in London

CCCS Equity Release Ltd

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In December "Which?" posed as potential equity release clients and conducted 22 visits with advisors who are qualified to recommend equity release CCCS ER were the only organisation to pass all the tests

REFERRALS

Over 55% of all referrals came to the charity on the recommendation of their lenders and over 20% were directed by their family and friends. Many others came through the internet via the charity's web site www.cccs.co.uk and links from other sites.

NEW SERVICES

- Following feedback from DMP clients a Settlement Service was introduced in November. Where
 clients are able to access an unexpected lump sum of money to pay towards their debts e.g. from
 friends, family or inheritance, the new service will support them by organising the settlement offer
 on their behalf.
- In February 2012 Helpline and Counselling offered their services for the first time on a Saturday morning. This initiative was started following research showing 74% of clients felt opening on Saturday would improve the service.

GROWING LEVELS OF INDEBTEDNESS

• FCC has over 120,000 (2010 113,000) clients benefiting from debt management plans. The repayment ethic promoted by the charity resulted in £312 million (2010 £289 million) being repaid to creditors. With the burden of collecting these debts removed from lenders they will be supportive to our clients as long as over indebtedness exists in our society.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The overall financial results for the year show net incoming resources of £4,268,387. Unrestricted income rose by 1% resulting in increased reserves of £24.8 million (2010 £20.5 million) enabling future development and growth while maintaining high standards of service to clients and creditors.

RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have reviewed the charity's need for reserves in line with guidance issued by the Charity Commission. The target is for free reserves to remain at a level which represents six months projected expenditure. The trustees believe reserves should be at this level to ensure the charity can meet its legal obligations and meet the needs of the beneficiaries in all eventualities. At the year end free reserves stood at eight months of projected expenditure and the trustees consider this to be reasonable in the current economic climate.

FUNDING

The majority of funding, without which the charity could not operate, is a donation from the creditors i.e. a fair share contribution towards all advice, counselling, debt management administration and all the other services provided by the charity. The application of this revenue towards FCC's charitable activities is shown in the Statement of Financial Activities and the accompanying notes

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

The charity's investment policy is subject to an annual review by the trustee audit committee. In 2011 the policy of investing the majority of surplus liquid funds in a staggered mix of fixed term deposits met

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current requirements. With minimal risk an average return of 2.5% (2010 2.5%) was achieved and considered acceptable.

FUTURE PLANS

The main aim of the charity is to assist as many families and individuals as possible who may require its services

Demand for the charity's services, particularly in the present economic climate, is expected to increase The trustees are aware of this and the need to manage the demand without affecting the quality of services to beneficiaries. The trustees and management are also aware of the ever changing nature of consumer debt problems and the need to be adaptable to beneficiaries needs. Therefore appropriate new services will be provided whenever possible.

With reference to the 2010 Annual Report and Accounts a full scale strategic review was undertaken during the year. The trustees concluded a comprehensive re-branding is necessary to fully promote the charity's services, bring the charity to the attention of more beneficiaries and to compete more ably with fee charging agencies.

Preparation for the re-branding, the first since the charity began operating in 1993, will take place throughout 2012 but will have positive consequences for all concerned well beyond this year

DISABLED EMPLOYEES

The charity has a global anti-discrimination policy which specifically covers unfair treatment of any service user, employee or prospective employee on the grounds of disability. The policy is available to all employees via a network based communication system and covers responsibility, employment, access, complaints, training and monitoring

EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT

The charity recognises the importance of internal communications and as such has a policy of ensuring all employees are kept informed of developments within the organisation. The policy sets out the belief that teamwork through communication will lead to a more efficient and effective service to both staff and beneficiaries.

This is achieved through passing on information at regular team briefs and one-to-one reviews, via designated departmental employees or through the monthly newsletter "Broadcast"

There is also an employee consultative group of elected representatives to aid the communication of key information to all employees and to improve the flow of information from employees to the charity's senior management

The charity organised an annual conference in October attended by all employees

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DONATIONS

During the year the group made charitable donations of £10,793

AUDITOR

A resolution to reappoint Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP, Chartered Accountants, as auditor will be put to the members at the annual general meeting

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

The trustees who were in office on the date of approval of these financial statements have confirmed, as far as they are aware, that there is no relevant audit information of which the auditors are unaware. Each of the directors have confirmed that they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as trustees in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that it has been communicated to the auditor

By order of the Board of Trustees

Lord Stevenson (Trustee)
Date 10 July 2012

Foundation for Credit Counselling STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

year ended 31 December 2011

The trustees (who are also directors of Foundation for Credit Counselling for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP,
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FOUNDATION FOR CREDIT COUNSELLING

We have audited the group and parent charity financial statements of Foundation for Credit Counselling ("the financial statements) for the year ended 31 December 2011 on pages 15 to 34 The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities set out on page 12 the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's website at www frc org uk/apb/scope/private cfm

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2011 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FOUNDATION FOR CREDIT COUNSELLING

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- the parent charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made, or we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

CLAIRE LEECE (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of BAKER TILLY UK AUDIT LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

2 Whitehall Quay

Leeds

LS1 4HG

Date

Foundation for Credit Counselling CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) year ended 31 December 2011

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds	Total funds 2011 £	Total funds 2010 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		L	ı	L	L
Incoming resources from generated funds	S				
Voluntary income					
- Donations		1,760		1,760	125,149
- Grants		-,,,,,,	-	.,	403,098
Investment income	1	405,915		405,915	237,807
Incoming resources from charitable activ	-	.00,5.0		.00,510	227,00
Counselling and debt management					
contributions		30,282,250	-	30,282,250	28,629,070
Insolvency service		2,669,942	•	2,669,942	2,426,569
Equity Release		87,810	_	87,810	26,404
Other income	2	169,041	_	169,041	274,993
Other meonic	_				274,275
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		33,616,718	-	33,616,718	32,123,090
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities					
Counselling costs		21,353,094	•	21,353,094	20,166,594
Debt management costs		3,897,263	-	3,897,263	2,976,502
Insolvency service		1,816,415	-	1,816,415	1,556,647
Equity release services		148,024		148,024	184,318
Promotion of services to beneficiaries		1,453,583	-	1,453,583	1,279,770
Financial education			•		461,261
Governance		248,719	•	248,719	171,223
Other		10,793	-	10,793	204,993
					
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	4	28,927,891	-	28,927,891	27,001,308
NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR					
THE YEAR BEFORE TAXATION	3	4,688,827	•	4,688,827	5,121,782
Taxation on non charitable trading					
subsidiaries' ordinary activities	7	(222,772)	-	(222,772)	268,842
NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR					
THE YEAR BEFORE TRANSFERS		4,466,055	-	4,466,055	5,390,624
Loss on common control of Credit	9	(62,197)	(135,471)	(197,668)	
Action					
NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR					
THE YEAR		4,403,858	(135,471)	4,268,387	5,390,624
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD					
AT 1 JANUARY 2011		20,387,362	135,471	20,522,833	15,132,209
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD					
AT 31 DECEMBER 2011		24,791,220	-	24,791,220	20,522,833

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than shown above. All the activities of the company are classed as continuing

The notes on pages 19 to 34 form part of these financial statements

Foundation for Credit Counselling CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

Company Registration No 2757055 Registered Charity No 1016630

31 December 2011

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	Notes	2011 £	2010 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	8	1,911,622	1,954,368
		1,911,622	1,954,368
CURRENT ASSETS Stock		-	13,460
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	10	5,260,159 20,001,887	4,788,508 15,982,769
		25,262,046	20,784,737
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	12	(2,382,448)	(2,216,272)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		22,879,598	18,568,465
NET ASSETS		24,791,220	20,522,833
REPRESENTED BY			- L.
General funds	16	24,791,220	20,387,362
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		24,791,220	20,387,362
Restricted funds	17	•	135,471
TOTAL FUNDS		24,791,220	20,522,833

The financial statements on pages 15 to 34 were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 10 July 2012 and are signed on its behalf by

Lord Stevenson Chairman

The notes on pages 19 to 34 form part of these financial statements

Foundation for Credit Counselling BALANCE SHEET

31 December 2011

	Notes	2011 £	2010 £
FIXED ASSETS	0	1.500.460	1.014.004
Tangible assets Investments	8 9	1,792,462 5,001	1,814,994 5,001
		1,797,463	1,819,995
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CURRENT ASSETS Debtors due within one year	10	4,551,297	3,921,969
Debtors due after more than one year	10	1,371,485	
Cash at bank and in hand		19,776,497	15,447,933
		25,699,279	21,359,943
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	12	(2,285,001)	(1,931,800)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		23,414,278	19,428,143
NET ASSETS		25,211,741	21,248,138
REPRESENTED			
General funds	16	25,211,741	21,248,138
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		25,211,741	21,248,138
Restricted funds		-	-
TOTAL FUNDS		25 211 741	21 249 129
TOTAL FUNDS		25,211,741	21,248,138

The notes on pages 19 to 34 form part of these financial statements

Foundation for Credit Counselling CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT year ended 31 December 2011

		Notes	2011 £	2010 £
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING AG	CTIVITIES	19	5,004,608	6,178,218
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVIOR FINANCE Interest received	CING OF		405,915	237,807
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE Purchase of fixed assets			(1,017,420)	(1,395,025)
ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS			(373,985)	-
INCREASE IN CASH			4,019,118	5,021,000
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN RESOU CHARITY USE	JRCES APPLI	ED FOR FIX	KED ASSETS	S FOR
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2011 £	Total 2010 £
Net movement in funds for the year	4,403,858	(135,471)	4,268,387	5,390,624
Resources used for net acquisition of tangible fixed assets	(1,017,420)	-	(1,017,420)	(1,395,025)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES	3,386,438	(135,471)	3,250,967	3,995,599
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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

year ended 31 December 2011

The company has adopted the following principal accounting policies which should be read in conjunction with the financial statements set out on pages 15 to 34

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) published in March 2005, applicable Accounting Standards and the Companies Act 2006.

GOING CONCERN

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis which assumes that the company will continue in operation for the foreseeable future. Details of company activities, risk review procedures, financial performance, reserves and funding are noted on pages 6 to 10 of these financial statements. The company has strong financial resources invested with minimal risk and no borrowed funding.

On this basis the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence. They therefore consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

GROUP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

These financial statements consolidate on a line by line basis the results of the company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Consumer Credit Counselling Services Voluntary Arrangements Limited (CCCSVA Ltd) and Consumer Credit Counselling Service (Equity Release) Limited (CCCS(ER) Ltd), as well as the financial statements for Consumer Credit Counselling Services (Scotland) (CCCS Scotland), which is a sister charitity of FCC, under common control A separate Statement of Financial Activities ("SOFA") (incorporating an income and expenditure account) for the company itself is not presented because the company has taken advantage of the exemptions afforded by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and paragraph 397 of SORP 2005

The incoming resources for the company during the year ended 31 December 2011 were £30,914,310 (2010 £29,156,414) After expenditure of £26,950,707 (2010 £24,755,874) a net surplus of £3,963,603 (2010 £4,400,540) was generated for Foundation for Credit Counselling, as an individual company

The shares held in CCCSVA Ltd and CCCS(ER) Ltd, for which there is no readily ascertainable market value, are valued at cost

INCOMING RESOURCES

Donations are credited as income in the accounting period in which they are received and include any relevant tax claim

Investment income and counselling and debt management contributions are credited to the accounts in the accounting period in which they are receivable

Income from insolvency services is credited to the SOFA in the accounting period in which it is receivable

Income from grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, is recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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RESOURCES EXPENDED

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been listed under headings that aggregate all costs related to that activity

Direct costs, including directly attributable salaries, are allocated on an actual basis to the key strategic areas of activity

Support costs are allocated between expense headings on the basis of employee numbers

Governance costs are those incurred in connection with organisational administration and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land at rates calculated to write each asset down to its estimated residual value evenly over its expected useful life, as follows -

Fixtures, fittings and equipment

20% - 33 3% straight line

LEASING

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term

STOCKS

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

DEFERRED TAXATION

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the company's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements that arise from the inclusion of gains and losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis

PENSIONS

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. The annual contributions payable are charged to the statement of financial activities on an accruals basis.

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purposes and are available as general funds

RESTRICTED FUNDS

These are funds that 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

Foundation for Credit Counselling NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS year ended 31 December 2011

1	INVESTMENT INCOME		
		2011 £	2010 £
	Bank interest	405,915	237,807
2	OTHER INCOME	2011	2010
		£	£
	Income from mortgage advisors and insolvency practitioners Income from training courses Government grants	37,800 12,969	56,364 18,879 21,000
	Income from overseas charitable activity Other	7,078 111,194	102,961 75,789
		169,041	274,993
3	NET INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TAXATION	2011 £	2010 £
	This is stated after charging		
	Directors remuneration	_	-
	Depreciation of tangible assets Loss on disposal	1,058,676	828,085 400
	Operating lease rentals Principal auditors' remuneration	1,048,923	1,147,791
	Audit	31,925	28,000
	Internal audit	19,429	3,742
	Non audit services Other auditors remuneration	2,500	5,734 3,584
	Onto auditors remaineration		J,J04

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RESOURCES EXPENDED

a) Analysis of total resources expended

Unrestricted funds	Staff costs	Other direct costs	Support costs £	Total 2011 £	Total 2010 £
Counselling costs	9,852,346	630,386	10,870,362	21,353,094	20,151,340
Debt management costs	2,061,257	753,084	1,082,922	3,897,263	2,976,502
Insolvency service	376,656	1,439,759	, , <u>-</u>	1,816,415	1,556,647
Equity release services Promotion of services	133,025	14,999	-	148,024	184,318
to beneficiaries	909,695	301,643	242,245	1,453,583	1,279,770
Financial education	-	-	- · - , - · -	-	375,344
Governance	73,806	147,168	27,745	248,719	171,223
Other	· -	10,793	· -	10,793	204,993
		·			
Total unrestricted					
resources expended	13,406,785	3,297,832	12,223,274	28,927,891	26,900,137
					
				Total	Total
				2011	2010
Restricted funds				£	£
Counselling costs				-	15,254
Financial education				-	85,917
Total restricted resource	s expended			-	101,171
					
Total resources expend	led			28,927,891	27,001,308

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RESOURCES EXPENDED (continued)

b) Analysis of support costs

Unrestricted funds	Counselling costs £	Debt management costs £	Promotion of services to beneficiaries £	Governance £	Total 2011 £	Total 2010 £
Staff costs	5,052,682	510,945	113,542	-	5,677,169	5,151,612
Training and recruitment Travel and	294,043	25,211	6,515	-	325,769	290,758
subsistence	233,389	20,483	5,245	6,794	265,911	201,750
Premises Communications	2,112,960	213,671	47,478	•	2,374,109	2,251,234
and IT Printing and	1,117,396	112,995	25,111	-	1,255,502	1,037,624
postage Consultancy and	461,217	46,641	10,363	316	518,537	507,424
professional	758,368	68,000	15,108	20,635	862,111	487,476
Depreciation	840,307	84,976	18,883	-	944,166	441,624
Total support costs	10,870,362	1,082,922	242,245	27,745	12,223,274	10,369,502
c) Analysis of go	vernance costs					
c) many sis or go	vernunce costs				Total	Total
					2011	2010
					£	£
Audit and accoun					40,807	42,292
Internal audit fees					19,429	3,743
Legal and profess					88,394	44,168
Apportionment of	f staff and suppo	ort costs			100,089	81,020
					248,719	171,223

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5	EMPLOYEES	2011	2010
		No	No
	The average monthly number of persons employed by the group during the year was		
	Promotion of services to beneficiaries	13	11
	Counselling	497	457
	Debt Management	50	36
	Insolvency Services	58	47
	Client services and administrative support	238	230
	Cheff Services and dammismative support		-
			
		856	781
		2011	2010
		£	£
	Staff costs for above persons	-	
	Wages and salaries	17,135,347	17,020,148
	Social security costs	1,591,712	1,556,732
	Other pension costs	388,410	343,532
		19,115,469	18,920,412
	The number of employees whose emoluments were in excess of £60,0 excluding pension contributions, fell within the following ranges.	000 during the ye 2011 No	ear, 2010 No
	£70,001 - £80,000	1	1
	£80,001 - £90,000	1	-
	£110,001 - £120,000	-	1
	£120,001 - £130,000	•	1
	£130,001 - £140,000	1	-
	£160,001 - £170,000	-	1
	£170,001 - £180,000	1	-
		,	
	Total	4	4

A total of 4 (2010 $\,$ 3) of these employees had retirement benefits accruing under a defined contribution pension scheme

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6 TRUSTEES

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year 2 of the Trustees were reimbursed for out of pocket expenses (2010 2 Trustees) totalling £3,554 (2010 £10,727)

Indemnity insurance is taken out to cover losses arising from neglect or default by any charity Trustee, employee or officer. The costs of providing this insurance is £15,021 (2010 £9,588)

7 TAXATION

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities

Taxation relates to deferred tax on losses in Consumer Credit Counselling Service Voluntary

Arrangements Limited, the Charity's trading subsidiary

Analysis of charge in the year

	2011 £	2010 £
Deferred tax	-	
Deferred tax on trading losses	222,772	(268,842)

No provision has been made for the deferred tax asset of £63,984 (2010 £62,510) in Consumer Credit Counselling Service (Equity Release) Limited due to the uncertainty that exists over the recoverability of the asset

8	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS
	COMMON ID ATED

CONSOLIDATED	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £
Cost 1 January 2011 Additions Disposals	6,341,436 1,017,420 (224,523)
At 31 December 2011	7,134,333
Depreciation At 1 January 2011 Charge for the year On disposals	4,387,068 1,058,676 (223,033)
At 31 December 2011	5,222,711
Net book value At 31 December 2011	1,911,622
At 31 December 2010	1,954,368

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8	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)	_	
	COMPANY	Fixtures,	fittings and equipment
	Cont		£
	Cost 1 January 2011		5,563,550
	Additions		921,634
	Disposals		(208,375)
	At 31 December 2011		6,276,809
	Depreciation		
	At 1 January 2011		3,748,556
	Charge for the year		944,166
	Disposals		(208,375)
	At 31 December 2011		4,484,347
	Net book value		
	At 31 December 2011		1,792,462
	At 31 December 2010		1,814,994
9	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS	2011	2010
		£	£
	Subsidiary undertaking	5,001	5,001

The company has a 100% holding (1 share with nominal value of £1) in CCCSVA Ltd The principal activity is the provision of insolvency services

The company has a 100% holding (5,000 shares with nominal value of £5,000) in CCCS(ER) Ltd The principal activity is the provision of equity release loan advice and referral services

Foundation for Credit Counselling also operates through a sister charity, Consumer Credit Counselling Service (Scotland)

During 2010 Foundation for Credit Counselling operated through a sister charity, Credit Action On 31 August 2011 the trustees of Credit Action changed and Foundation for Credit Counselling no longer had control With effect from 1 January 2011 Credit Action is no longer included in the consolidation

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9 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (continued)

A summary of the results and balance sheet of the subsidiaries are given below

Consumer Credit Counselling Voluntary Arrangements Limited

	2011 £	2010 £
Turnover	2,669,942	2,426,569
Costs of sales	(1,149,348)	(1,016,693)
		
Gross profit	1,520,594	1,409,876
Administrative expenses	(674,567)	(547,455)
Operating profit	846,027	862,421
Interest payable	(38,393)	(64,560)
Taxation	(222,772)	268,842
Profit for the financial year	584,862	1,066,703
Assets	896,670	1,119,562
Liabilities	(1,066,183)	(1,873,937)
Shareholder's deficit	(169,513)	(754,375)

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9	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (continued)		
	Consumer Credit Counselling Service (Equity Release) Limited	2011 £	2010 £
	Turnover Costs of sales	87,810 (77,730)	26,404 (121,874)
	Gross profit/(loss) Administrative expenses	10,080 (81,521)	(95,470) (73,299)
	Operating loss Interest payable Taxation	(71,441) (16,978)	(168,769) (8,645)
	Loss for the financial year	(88,419)	(177,414)
	Assets Liabilities	132,903 (447,932)	32,254 (258,864)
	Shareholder's deficit	(315,029)	(226,610)
	Consumer Credit Counselling Service (Scotland)		_
		2011 £	2010 £
	Total incoming resources	60,027	1,059,750
	Total resources expended	(54,018)	(1,065,069)
	Net incoming/(outgoing) resources	6,009	(5,319)
	Assets Liabilities	72,626 (3,604)	66,864 (3,851)
	Unrestricted funds	69,022	63,013

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9	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (continued	d)			
	Credit Action			2011 £	2010 £
	Total incoming resources			-	586,880
	Total resources expended			-	(475,765)
	Net incoming resources			-	111,115
	Assets Liabilities			-	395,531 (197,861)
	Restricted funds Unrestricted funds			-	135,471 62,197
10	DEBTORS		solidated		mpany
	Due within one year	2011 £	2010 £	2011 £	2010 £
	Trade debtors Prepayments and accrued income Other debtors Deferred taxation (note 11) Amounts owed by group undertakings	3,888,564 1,273,076 52,449 46,070	3,370,838 1,135,442 13,386 268,842	3,307,622 1,168,138 36,611 38,926	2,884,726 1,028,066 9,177
		5,260,159	4,788,508	4,551,297	3,921,969

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10	DEDTODS (continued)				
10	DEBTORS (continued)	Consolid			mpany
	Due after more than one year	2011 £	2010 £	2011 £	2010 £
	•	~		-	_
	Amounts owed by group undertaking	-	-	1,371,485	1,990,041
	Included in the above is a loan of £971,485 Counselling Services Voluntary Arrangements Credit Counselling Interest is charged at a rate repaid by 31 December 2014 Foundation for charge over all the assets and undertakings of Arrangements Limited in respect of this loan	Limited, a tra e of 3% abov Credit Counse	nding subsid e base rate elling has a	ary of Fou The loan a first fixed a	indation for is due to be and floating
	Also included in the above is a loan of £400,0 Counselling Service (Equity Release), a trading Interest is charged at a rate of 5% The loan has a	subsidiary of	Foundation		
11	DEFERRED TAXATION				
	The deferred taxation included in the balance she	et is as follow	s		
				2011 £	2010 £
	Included in debtors (note 10)			46,070	268,842
	The movement in the deferred taxation account d	luring the year	r was		
				2011 £	2010 £
	Balance brought forward Profit and loss account movement arising during	the year		268,842 (222,772)	
	Balance carried forward			46,070	268,842
	The balance of the deferred taxation account con of.	sists of the tax	ceffect of tir	ning differe	nces in respect
				2011 £	2010 £
	Tax losses available Depreciation in excess of capital allowances			42,598 3,472	·
	Balance carried forward			46,070	268,842

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12	CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year						
			solidated		ompany		
		2011 £	2010 £	2011 £	2010 £		
	Trade creditors	469,420	544,233	453,728	535,490		
	Other taxes social security costs	39,216	102,801	39,216	74,846		
	Accruals and other creditors	1,873,812	1,569,238	1,792,057	1,321,464		
		2,382,448	2,216,272	2,285,001	1,931,800		
							
13	GUARANTEE						
	The liability of members of Foundation year from their resignation date) is limit		ling Services ((and ex memb	pers for one		
14	OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENT	rs					
	At 31 December 2011 the group had ann	nual commitments	under non-can	cellable oper	ating leases		
	as follows			Land a	nd Buildings		
				2011	2010		
				£	£		
	Expiry date				22.227		
	Within one year			222.041	33,227		
	Between one and five years			223,941	298,644		
	After five years			842,298	882,798		
				1,066,239	1,214,669		
15	ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEE	N FUNDS					
			Unrestricted	Restricted	Total		
			Funds	Funds	Funds		
			2011	2011	2011		
	CONSOLIDATED		£	£	£		
	Tangible fixed assets		1,911,622	-	1,911,622		
	Current assets		25,262,046	-	25,262,046		
			25,262,046 (2,382,448)	-	(2,382,448)		
	Current assets						

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16	MOVEMENTS IN GENERAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS						
	CONSOLIDATED		At 1 January 2011 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	At 31 December 2011 £	
	General unrestricted		20,387,362	33,616,718	(29,212,860)	24,791,220	
	COMPANY		At 1 January 2011 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	At 31 December 2011	
	General unrestricted		21,248,138	30,914,310	(26,950,707)	25,211,741	
17	MOVEMENTS IN RES	STRICTED FUN	IDS				
	CONSOLIDATED	At 1 January 2011 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2011 £	
	Restricted funds	135,471	-	(135,471)	-	-	

The restricted funds were made up of grants received from various companies and trust in respect of projects agreed with the funders. These projects may last for a few months, a couple of years, or in the case of one project, be on going for the foreseeable future. Restricted Funds are ring fenced and use solely for the purpose agreed between the funder and Credit Action.

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18 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Hurlstons Corporate Consultancy

Malcolm Hurlston is a director of Hurlstons Corporate Consultancy During the year £nil (2010 £32,407) was charged for research, public relations and media relations. At the balance sheet date £nil (2010 £nil) was owed and included in trade creditors

Wrigleys Solicitors

Malcolm Lynch who is a partner of Wrigleys Solicitors LLP, is the company secretary of Foundation for Credit Counselling During the year £77,042 (2010 £46,434) was charged for solicitors fees At the balance sheet date accruals included £21,822 (2010 £18,000) in respect of these fees

19 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOMING RESOURCES TO NET INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	OF ENTITION ACTIVITIES	2011 £	2010 £
	Net incoming resources for the year	4,268,387	5,390,624
	Taxation	222,772	(268,542)
	Investment income	(405,915)	•
	Depreciation charge	1,058,676	828,085
	Loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	400
	Loss on disposal of subsidiary	197,668	-
	(Increase)/ decrease in debtors	(656,609)	252,278
	Increase in creditors	319,629	221,923
	Net cash inflow from operating activities	5,004,608	6,178,218
			
20	ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS		
	`	2011	2010
		£	£
	Disposal of subsidiary	-	•
	Net cash disposed with subsidiary	(373,985)	-
	Net cash outflow from acquisitions and		
	disposals	(373,985)	•

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21	RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW MOVEM	ENT IN CAS	Н	
			2011 £	2010 £
	Increase in cash in the year Net cash at 1 January 2011		4,019,118 15,982,769	
	Net cash at 31 December 2011		20,001,887	15,982,769
22	ANALYSIS OF NET FUNDS			
		At 1 January 2011 £	Cash inflow £	At 31 December 2011 £
	Cash at bank and in hand	5,982,769	4,019,118	20,001,887

23 PENSION COSTS

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the company, being invested with insurance companies as per the employee's instructions. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the charity to the funds and amounted to £388,410 (2010 £343,532)