CONSERVATORS OF THE RIVER CAM

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

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# **CONSERVATORS PARTICULARS**

Conservators:

Mr J Adams - Chairman

Dr R D Walker - Deputy Chairman

Dr G Brighty Mr A C G Brown

Mr J Macnaghten (appointed 1 January 2013)

Councillor K Price Mr J R Pryce-Jones

Councillor A Reiner (appointed 1 January 2013)

Prof K Richards

Mr M Schofield (appointed 1 January 2013) Ms A Tillson (appointed 1 January 2013)

Councillor T Ward

Councillor R M Williamson (resigned 2 May 2013)
Mr R C Hardingham (resigned 31 December 2012)
Mr R Ingersent (resigned 31 December 2012)

Councillor I Nimmo-Smith (resigned 31 December 2012)

Mr L I Phillips (resigned 31 December 2012)

Clerk:

Dr Philippa Noon Baits Bite Lock Fen Road Milton Cambridge CB24 6AF

Auditors:

Peters Elworthy & Moore

Salisbury House Station Road Cambridge CB1 2LA

Principal Bankers:

Barclays Bank Plc 9/11 St Andrews Street

Cambridge CB2 3AA

# **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE**

## CONSERVATORS OF THE RIVER CAM

We have audited the financial statements of The Conservators of the River Cam for the year ended 31 March 2013 which comprise of the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and related notes. These accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the Conservators, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Conservators those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 Conservators' as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

## Respective responsibilities of the Conservators and auditors

The Conservators 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 the financial statements in accordance with the 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.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Conservators have not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding Conservators' remuneration and transactions with the Conservators of the River Cam is not disclosed.

### Scope of the audit

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Conservators circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Conservators; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

## Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Conservators affairs as at 31 March 2013, and of its surplus for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

# Matters on which we report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

001 Dated: 6/8/13

- adequate accounting records have not been kept,
- · the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all of the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Peters Elworthy & Moore

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

Cambridge

## **INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

2013 Capital Repairs & 2012 Expenditure Renewals General Total Notes Fund Fund Total Fund £ £ £ £ Incoming Resources Operating Income 337,886 337,886 224,331 Registration Fees Environment Agency - Interchange refund (49.011)(49,011)41,875 266,206 288.875 288,875 69.940 58,247 Rents (gross), pontoons and wayleaves 58,247 28,222 25.649 Environment Agency - maintenance 28.222 Bishops Mill maintenance (CCC) 38,817 38,817 9,822 12,490 12,490 12,140 Contribution to rubbish clearance (CCC) Contribution to rubbish clearance (SCDC) 4,560 4,560 4,440 5 44,003 16,074 44.003 Sundry income and work done 475,214 404,271 475,214 Grants Receivable 1,000 Pollarding 1,000 Investment Income Deposit account interest 120 120 113 1,875 Building society interest 1,875 1.875 BID account interest 1,995 1,995 2,521 **Total Incoming Resources** 477,209 477,209 407,792 Resources Expended Payroll Costs 182,462 164,235 182,462 Salaries 14.909 13,662 Employers' National Insurance 14,909 Superannuation costs 27,787 27,787 <u> 25,272</u> 225,158 225,158 203,169 Maintenance and Depreciation 49,266 7 38,535 38,535 Repairs and maintenance 5,152 5,152 5,152 Freehold property depreciation 7,654 7,402 7.654 Property improvement depreciation Lock depreciation 4,202 4.202 4,141 Plant and equipment depreciation 12,367 12,367 12,273 Furniture and fittings depreciation 222 222 90 4,303 4,999 4,999 River management depreciation 38,535 34,596 73,131 82,627 Other Running Costs 3.351 4,739 4 739 Rent and Rates Electricity and Gas 5,223 . 5.223 5.296 6,101 6,101 6,062 Property Management Fees Insurance 21,670 21,670 20,388 35,097 37,733 37.733 Establishment and Finance Costs 17.952 15,797 Printing, stationery, advertising and sundries 17,952 4,258 3.064 4.258 Telephone 49,250 Legal and professional fees 6 69,880 69.880 540 540 540 Subscriptions and donations 1,105 1,105 989 Bank charges and interest 8 914 914 2,880 Bad debts 94,649 94,649 72,520 430,671 393,413 Total Resources Expended 396,075 34,596 46,538 Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) 81,134 (34,596)14,379 Transfers between funds Provision for future major costs - per 2013 (25.000)25,000 Business Plan 18,119 Adjustment for actual expenditure (18, 119)25,000 45,638 14.379 Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year 38,015 (16,477) **Fund Balances** Brought forward 37,707 621.095 372,367 1,031,169 1,016,790 1,031,169

75,722

604.618

Carried forward

397,367

1.077.707

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2013

	Notes	£	2013 £	£	2012 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	2		604,618		631,095
Current Assets					
Trade Debtors Prepayments Cash at Bank and in Hand Current Liabilities	3	55,495 1,324 <u>459,860</u> 516,679		15,462 1,490 427,989 444,941	
		07.000		07.004	
Deferred Income Trade Creditors Accruals Other Creditors	4	27,922 5,096 5,539 		27,394 1,627 15,846 44,867	
Net Current Assets		45,050	473,089	44,007	400,074
Net Assets			1,077,707		1.031.169
Funds					
General Fund Capital Expenditure Fund Repairs and Renewals Fund			75,722 604,618 <u>397,367</u> 1,077,707		37,707 621,095 372,367 1,031,169

# Approved on behalf of the Conservators:

Dated:

The notes on pages 5-7 form part of these accounts.

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Accounting Convention**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards under the historical cost convention.

### Depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, over their estimated useful lives by annual instalments at the following rates:

Freehold Buildings and Improvements

Locks

Plant and Equipment

Furniture & Fittings

Motor Vehicles

2.5% on cost
10% on cost
10% on cost
25% on cost

Weedharvester and work boat Over the remaining life of the asset

River Management 20% on cost

### Capital Grants

Amortisation is provided to write off any capital grant at the same rate as depreciation is provided.

#### Taxation

The Conservators of the River Cam is not subject to Corporation Tax.

### **Pensions**

The Conservators of the River Cam contributes to a defined benefits scheme operated by Cambridgeshire County Council, the assets of which are held separately from those of the Conservators. The Conservators contributions are written off in the year in which they are incurred.

Surpluses/deficits can not be directly attributed to individual members of the scheme. Actuarial valuations undertaken every three years identify any such surplus/deficit and the contribution rates are adjusted accordingly. An increase in the level of contribution required would be met by the Conservators from the general fund cash reserve.

The 2010 Valuation Results of the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund show the funding level to be 78%. From April 2010 the employer contribution rate was 18.1%. This increased to 20.1% from April 2011, to 22.2% from April 2012 and to 24.2% from April 2013.

## Capital Expenditure Fund

The Conservators have established a Capital Expenditure Fund to absorb the depreciation charges derived from historic capital costs.

### Repairs and Renewals Fund

The Conservators have established a Repairs and Renewals Fund to provide for the future replacement costs of fixed assets.

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

# 2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Coat	Freehold Property £	Property Imprvmts £	Locks £	Plant and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Fixtures & Fittings £
Cost As at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2012 Additions Disposals	248,244	306,098 4,710 (4,666)	299,529 2,032	255,293 1,243	27,494	902 1,322 —————
As at 31st March 2013	248,244	306,142	301,561	256.536	27,494	2.224
Depreciation As at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2012 Charged for year On disposals	137,873 5,152	10,224 7,654	183,240 4,202	164,758 12,367	27,494	90 222 
As at 31st March 2013	143,025	17,878	187,442	177,125	27,494	312
Net Book Value As at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2013 As at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2012	105.219 110.371	288,264 295,874	<u>114,119</u> <u>116,289</u>	79,411 90,535	***	1,912 812
	River Manag'mt £	Total £				
Cost As at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2012 Additions Disposals	21,517 3,478	1,159,077 12,785 (4,666)				
As at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2013	24,995	<u>1,167,196</u>				
Depreciation As at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2012 Charged for year On disposals	4,303 4,999	527,982 34,596				
As at 31st March 2013	9.302	562,578				
Net Book Value As at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2013 As at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2012	15,693 17,214	604,618 631,095				

The freehold buildings were valued at £2,000,000 in February 2013.

Included within River Management are Coir Rolls which provide a cost effective method of introducing marginal habitat to artificially lined lakes, rivers and canals. They are being written off over their useful life of 5 years.

# 3. TRADE DEBTORS

Registration fees received in advance

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	2013	2012
	£	3
Registration Fees	18,113	5,934
Environment Agency	28,222	5,260
Cambridge City Council	10,074	4,268
Bad debt provision	(914)	
	55,495	<u>15,462</u>
DEFERRED INCOME		
	2013	2012
	£	t

# 5. SUNDRY INCOME AND WORK DONE

5.	SUNDRY INCOME AND WORK DONE		
	Licences Grants Costs recharged Rates refund Recovery of legal costs	2013 £ 6,526 27,510 3,967 6,000 44,003	2012 £ 1,850 1,000 7,331 
6.	LEGAL AND PROFESSIONAL FEES		
	Legal, surveyors and professional fees Audit, accountancy and VAT advice	2013 £ 65,572 4,308 69,880	2012 £ 44,942 <u>4,308</u> 49,250
	Further analysis of legal costs:	2013	
	Judicial Review Punt Enforcement Registrations Byelaw Enforcement Other legal costs	£ 37,670 12,936 4,743 8,955	
7.	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE		
	Property Maintenance Vehicle and boat expenses Pollarding General Maintenance costs	2013 £ 20,944 2,797 7,812 6,982 38,535	2012 £ 28,053 6,741 10,848 3,624 49,266
8.	BAD DEBTS		
	Cherie Hendry Jared Roussouw Ian Stocker 2 Bait's Bite Cottage	2013 £ 241 150 523 ———————————————————————————————————	2012 £ - - - 2.880 2.880