Registered number: 4161



CUSTOMER UNION FOR ETHICAL BANKING LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024



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Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited Society Information For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

Directors Rob Harrison

Shaun Fensom Ryan Brightwell Alice Brown John Cutliffe

Society Number 4161
Registered Office Unit 21

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Manchester M15 5RF

Accountants Third Sector Accountancy Limited

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited Society No. 4161 Directors' Report For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

Rob Harrison

Shaun Fensom

Ryan Brightwell

Carol Davenport Resigned 18/11/2023

Alice Brown

John Cutliffe Appointed 22/05/2023

Dawn Varley Appointed 22/05/2023 Resigned 18/11/2023

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Society law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under society law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the society and of the profit or loss of the society for that period. In preparing the financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the society will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the society's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the society and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the society and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the society's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the board

Rob Harrison

Director

Date 29 / 10 / 2024

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Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited Accountant's Report For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

Chartered Accountant's report to the directors on the preparation of the unaudited statutory accounts of Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited for The Year Ended 31 March 2024

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, we have prepared for your approval the accounts of Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited For The Year Ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Revenue Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Changes in Equity and the related notes from the society's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given to us.

As a practising member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at http://www.icaew.com/en/membership/regulations-standards-and-guidance.

This report is made solely to the directors of Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited , as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 27 July 2021. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the directors of Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited, as a body, in this report in accordance with ICAEW Technical Release 07/16 AAF. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited and its directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited. You consider that Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the accounts of Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

Signed

Date 29 / 10 / 2024

Third Sector Accountancy Limited Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors Holyoake House Hanover Street Manchester M60 0AS

Third Sector Accountancy Limited

Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited Revenue Account For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
TURNOVER		23,442	30,934
GROSS PROFIT		23,442	30,934
Administrative expenses		(19,001)	(14,650)
OPERATING PROFIT AND PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		4,441	16,284

The notes on pages 7 to 8 form part of these financial statements.

Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited Balance Sheet As At 31 March 2024

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		_		_	
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		28,563	<u>-</u>	24,675	
		28,563		24,675	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	5	(2,837)	_	(3,531)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		_	25,726	_	21,144
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			25,726		21,144
NET ASSETS		=	25,726	=	21,144
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Members' Shares	6		1,038		897
Revenue Account		_	24,688	_	20,247
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		=	25,726	=	21,144

The notes on pages 7 to 8 form part of these financial statements.

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the society was entitled to disapply the requirement to have its financial statements for the financial year audited. The members passed a resolution in general meeting to disapply the audit requirement, as required by S84(2) Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the management committee on ____29 / 10 / 2024 _____ and signed on their behalf by:

(Shaun Fensom, Director)

(Ryan Brightwell, Director)

(Rob Harrison, Secretary)

Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited Statement of Changes in Equity For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Share Capital	Revenue Account	Total
	£	£	£
As at 1 April 2022	1,130	3,667	4,797
Profit for the year and total comprehensive income	-	16,284	16,284
New shares issued to members	63	-	63
Members' shares cancelled/donated	(296)	296	-
As at 31 March 2023 and 1 April 2023	897	20,247	21,144
Profit for the year and total comprehensive income	-	4,441	4,441
New shares issued to members	141	-	141
As at 31 March 2024	1,038	24,688	25,726

Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. General Information

Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited is a co-operative society, limited by shares, registered with the FCA (Financial Conduct Authority) in the United Kingdom, registered number 4161. The registered office is Unit 21, 41 Old Birley Street, Manchester, M15 5RF.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the FRS 102 Section 1A Small Entities - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

The financial statements are presented in GBP and values are rounded to the nearest pound.

2.2. Turnover

The society did not render any services and did not trade as a business throughout the year.

2.3. Intangible Fixed Assets and Amortisation - Other Intangible

Intangible assets are the society's website and CRM software. It is amortised to the revenue account over its estimated economic life of five years.

3. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was: NIL (2023: NIL)

4. Intangible Assets

	Other £
Cost	
As at 1 April 2023	6,000
As at 31 March 2024	6,000
Amortisation	
As at 1 April 2023	6,000
As at 31 March 2024	6,000
Net Book Value	
As at 31 March 2024	
As at 1 April 2023	

5. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	812	1,043
Accruals and deferred income	2,025	2,488
	2,837	3,531

2024

2022

Customer Union for Ethical Banking Limited Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

6. Share Capital

	2024	2023
	£	£
Members' shares	1,038	897

Member shares have a nominal value of £1 and are non-transferable shares which are withdrawable at the discretion of the board. The shares confer membership of the society, and entitle the member holding shares to a vote at the Annual General Meeting, on the basis of one member, one vote. Interest may be paid on the shares at the discretion of the board. In the event of the society being wound up, shareholders are only entitled to repayment of their shares (assuming sufficient funds are available) and not to any distribution of the residual assets.

7. Related Party Transactions

All transactions between Ethical Consumer Research Association Ltd (ECRA), Shaun Fensom and Ryan Brightwell (BankTrack) are related party transactions which were however conducted on a commercial basis. The co-operative employed no staff during the financial year. Instead, the directors worked on the project as required, billing the co-operative for their time with the permission of and through their full-time employers, ECRA and BankTrack, and Shaun Fensom invoiced his time as self-employed consultant.

	In relation to the		Amount	Amount
Payments made to	time of	Description of work	2024 £	2023 £
Ethical Consumer Research	Rob Harrison (and	Finance and general		
Association Ltd	others)	management	3,476	3,666
		Website build and		
Shaun Fensom	Shaun Fensom	member handling	5,234	5,403
BankTrack	Ryan Brightwell	Social media and comms	2,521	2,720

During the year, additional payments were made to ECRA for share acquisition research. The total amount paid was £4,050, on normal commercial terms.

There were no other related party transactions.