REGISTERED NUMBER: SC545545 (Scotland)

The Ridge Foundations CIC

Report of the Directors and

Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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## Company Information for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

DIRECTORS:

R Bisset

K J Amabilino

D Kelly J Irvine

SECRETARY:

C Darrah

REGISTERED OFFICE:

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

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SENIOR STATUTORY AUDITOR:

Craig Hunter

AUDITORS:

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### Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of construction of building projects to benefit the community and delivery of training contracts.

#### DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 April 2023 to the date of this report.

R Bisset

K J Amabilino

D Kelly

J Irvine

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Company 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 company 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 company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements 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 company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company 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 company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

#### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, Haines Watts Scotland, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

# Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31 March 20234

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

J Irvine - Director

19 August 2024

## Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of The Ridge Foundations CIC

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Ridge Foundations CIC (the 'company') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Income Statement, Balance Sheet and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its surplus 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 requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

## Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of The Ridge Foundations CIC

#### Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information in the Report of the Directors, but does not include the financial statements and our Report of the Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Directors has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Directors.

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:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Directors.

### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page two, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of The Ridge Foundations CIC

## Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

- The engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- We identified the laws and regulations applicable to the Company through discussions with directors and other management, and from our commercial knowledge;
- We focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the Company, including the Companies Act 2006, taxation legislation, employment and data protection;
- We assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquires of management and inspecting legal correspondence;
- Identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assess the susceptibility of material misstatements within the company's financial statements, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur by:

- Making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- Performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- Tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- Assessed whether judgement and assumptions made in determining accounting estimates were indicative of potential bias; and
- Investigated the rationale behind any significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- Agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- Reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Enquiring of management as to actual potential litigation and claims; and
- Reviewing correspondence.

## Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of The Ridge Foundations CIC

Whilst our audit did not identify any significant matters relating to the detection of irregularities including fraud, and despite the audit being planned and conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK), there remains an unavoidable risk that material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected owing to inherent limitations of the audit, and that by their very nature, any such instances of fraud or irregularity would likely involve collusion, forgery, intentional misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Auditors.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the 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 company's members those matters we are required to state to them in a Report of the Auditors and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Haines Ways Scotland

Craig Hunter (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Haines Watts Scotland
Business Advisors, Accountants and
Statutory Auditors
Q Court
3 Quality Street
Edinburgh
EH4 5BP

Date: 22/08/2024

# Income Statement for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

		Year Ended	Year Ended
		31.3.24	31.3.23
	Notes	£	£
TURNOVER		825,335	672,720
Cost of sales		114,480	99,246
GROSS SURPLUS		710,855	573,474
Administrative expenses		701,476	547,299
OPERATING SURPLUS	4	9,379	26,175
Interest payable and similar exp	penses	586	626
SURPLUS BEFORE TAXATION		8,793	25,549
Tax on surplus	5	-	
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL Y	EAR	8,793	25,549

# The Ridge Foundations CIC (Registered number: SC545545)

## Balance Sheet 31 March 2024

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6		6,667		8,667
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	72,512		26,109	
Cash at bank		27,764		16,821	
		100,276		42,930	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	77,581		23,661	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			22,695		19,268
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES			29,362		27,935
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than					
one year	9		13,762		1.5
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES					
NET ASSETS			15,601		27,935
RESERVES					
Income and expenditure account	11		15,601		27,935
			15,601		27,935

The financial statements have been prepared 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 19 August 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

J Irvine - Director

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### 1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The Ridge Foundations CIC is a private company, limited by guarantee, registered in Scotland. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

#### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Turnover

Turnover represents gross invoiced sales of construction services income as well as income from training services. Turnover and other income is recognised when the company earns the right to the income by provision of services and performances. Other income comprises grants and donations, which are recognised when received unless related to specific services and performances, in which case they are recognised when the company earns the right to the income by provision of the service or performance. The company is registered for VAT and, accordingly, VAT is charged.

### Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following rates to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Vehicles - 20% Straight line

#### Financial instruments

The company only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

#### Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

### Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

### Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to surplus or deficit on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

### Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the company's pension scheme are charged to profit or loss in the period to which they relate.

#### EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

The average number of employees during the year was 20 (2023 - 17).

#### 4. OPERATING SURPLUS

The operating surplus is stated after charging:

	Year Ended	Year Ended
	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	2,000	4,410

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

### 5. TAXATION

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# Analysis of the tax charge

The tax charge on the surplus for the year was as follows:

	Year Ended 31.3.24	Year Ended 31.3.23
	£	£
Current tax:		L
UK corporation tax		-
Deferred tax		
Tax on surplus		
UK corporation tax has been charged at 19% (2023 - 19%).		
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
		Plant and
		machinery
		etc
COST		£
At 1 April 2023		27,237
Additions		27,237
At 31 March 2024		27,237
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 April 2023		18,570
Charge for year		2,000
At 31 March 2024		20,570
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 March 2024		6,667
At 31 March 2023		8,667
DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	72,512	26,109

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

8.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2024	2023
		£	£
	Trade creditors	4,744	-
	Accruals	13,810	10,700
	Taxation and social security	24,245	10,596
	Other creditors	27,735	2,365
	Loan	5,833	100
	VAT	1,214	-
		77,581	23,661
9.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
		2024	2023
		£	£
	Loan	13,762	
10.	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES		
		2024	2023
		£	£
	Deferred tax		
			Deferred
			tax
			£
	Balance at 1 April 2023		-
	Charged to Income Statement during year		
	Balance at 31 March 2024		

# 11. RESERVES

	Income and Expenditure		
	Account		
	£		
At 1 April 2023	27,935		
Surplus for the year	8,793		
Gift aid payment	(21,127)		
At 31 March 2024	15,601		

### Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### 12. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The company is a 100% subsidiary undertaking of The Ridge SCIO, which is an unincorporated charity recognised by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator, whose principal place of business is 40A High Street, Dunbar, East Lothian, Scotland. Consolidated financial statements are available on request.

#### LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. In the event of the company being wound up members are each required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

#### GOING CONCERN

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern principle, which assumes that the company will continue to trade in the foreseeable future.

Based on performance to date, and a wide interest in services, including known overheads (with necessary increases to energy costs etc), detailed analysis of staff costs going forward, grants already awarded or deemed highly probable shows a positive ongoing cashflow position. We retain flexibility in terms of commitments to expenditure based on firmness (or otherwise) of income, forecasted project expenditure will only happen if the associated funding permits.

The Ridge SCIO has funding committed with most of this work to be carried out by the Ridge Foundation. There is also a firm contract with East Lothian Works for delivery of training, supplemented by generous donor support for the next year. Donor has committed to building a new skills training centre, further consolidating future training provision and excellent relations with key stakeholders e.g. East Lothian Council. Also, funders have major investment in the relationship, having supported early stages of our projects, and using The Ridge as an example of best practice nationally.

The directors are satisfied that continued support from The Ridge SCIO, together with the mitigation steps taken to date, provide reasonable assurance that the company will continue to operate for at least 12 months from the approval of these financial statements. Accordingly, the directors have continued to adopt the going concern basis of accounting.

### RELATED PARTIES

At the year end The Ridge Foundation CIC was due £49,540 (2023 - £18,000) from The Ridge SCIO.

The Ridge SCIO paid £482,808 (2023 - £350,877) to The Ridge Foundations CIC for construction services.

The Ridge Foundation CIC paid management fees of £30,504 (2023 - £22,000) to The Ridge SCIO.

The Ridge Foundation CIC provided construction services of £2,883 (2023 - £12,772) to key management personnel during the year.

At the year end The Ridge Foundation CIC was due £nil (2023 - £4,690) from key management personnel.

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

## 15. RELATED PARTIES (CONT)

All transactions were conducted on an arm's length basis.

# Detailed Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Year Ended 31.3.24		Year Er 31.3.	
	£	£	£	£
Turnover		_	_	~
Sales	730,876		552,672	
Grants	44,509		70,726	
Donations	49,950		49,322	
		825,335		672,720
Cost of sales				
Purchases	77,162		94,605	
Sub-contractor	37,318		4,641	
	-	114,480		99,246
		3		
GROSS SURPLUS		710,855		573,474
Expenditure				
Insurance	4,584		2,408	
Wages	478,748		368,609	
Social security	34,733		27,457	
Pensions	12,044		8,718	
Trainer Contractors	23,957		32,429	
Post and stationery	1,073		550	
Tools	7,520		3,600	
Travelling	1070		6,355	
Motor expenses	9,108		4,265	
Repairs and renewal	62		-	
Health & Safety	2,279		9,075	
Computer costs	708		641	
Sundry expenses	23,045		6,860	
Staff Training	3,000		3,620	
Accountancy	13,448		17,135	
Subscriptions	1,580		818	
Professional fees	31,919		23,140	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,000		4,410	
Hire of plant and machinery	51,670		27,209	
		701,476		547,299
Carried forward		9,379		26,175

# Detailed Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Year End	led	Year End	ded	
	31.3.2	4	31.3.2	3	
	£	£	£	£	
Brought forward		9,379		26,175	
Finance costs					
Bank charges			36		
HP interest-	586		590		
		586	- W		626
NET SURPLUS		<u>8,</u> 793		25,549	